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### **PURPOSE**

This policy provides guidance regarding the role of the Board of Directors in advocating on Aquatera's behalf.

### **POLICY STATEMENT**

The Board of Directors and the Chief Executive Officer will actively advocate on behalf of Aquatera with political decision makers and others as appropriate and in the corporations interest. All advocacy efforts must comply with Federal and Provincial Lobbying Acts.

### **TERMS OF THE POLICY**

Aquatera is significantly affected by legislation, bylaws and regulations passed by municipal, provincial and federal levels of government. The Board of Directors and individual Board members have a role in advocating Aquatera's interests with political decision makers and others. All communications must comply with applicable laws (e.g. securities, lobbyist, anti-spam, and other legislation). Failure to register as a lobbyist, when required, may result in fines of up to \$100,000, which can now be levied directly against an organization's chief executive, personally.

The Board will identify opportunities to further Aquatera's interests through contact with political decision makers and others. These opportunities may include, direct meetings, both formal and informal and can include attendance at political or community events. The Board will be mindful of confidentiality and privacy obligations. The Chief Executive Officer or other Aquatera staff may also participate.

The Chief Executive Officer and Aquatera staff will pursue Aquatera's interests with governments at administrative levels.

The Board may also advocate on behalf of Aquatera through other organizations, events and contacts.

Expenses incurred by Board members or staff in advocating on Aquatera's behalf will be reimbursed by the Corporation.

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