

## MEDIA ADVISORY

For Immediate Release

August 31, 2020 – Yellowknife, NT – The Northwest Territories and Nunavut Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists (NAPEG) is pleased to announce their agreement with Notarius to offer the CertifiO digital signature solution for use by NAPEG registrants. Thanks to this partnership with Notarius, NAPEG practitioners will now be able to use a digital signature that validates their identify in order to securely sign their documents.

As of September 1, 2020, every engineer and geoscientist licensed in the Northwest Territories and Nunavut will have the option to digitally sign and seal their documents with the NAPEG Digital signature, allowing them to create electronic originals.

For a limited time only, take advantage of our launch promotion:

Get \$100.00 off your sign-up fee; Meaning \$40.00 instead of \$140.00 until November 30, 2020 To obtain your digital signature, visit https://notarius.com/napeg

NAPEG is committed to protecting the public interest and maintaining the highest standards of professional practice. The use of digital signatures is not mandatory, but it is another option that is available to Professional Engineers and Professional Geoscientists and Permit Holders to help ensure the integrity of their documents.

Claude Charpentier, President and CEO of *Notarius*, said, "We are thrilled to welcome NAPEG among the professional associations that already trust our digital signature."

NAPEG President Justin Hazenberg, P.Eng., stated, "This is the next logical step. Originally the ink stamp and handwritten signature was the document verification. Members then started using digital recreations of their stamp on documents, with original signed copies kept on file. Now members can provide verified and secured digital documents. Contractors, clients, and members of the public can be assured that these documents are the unaltered originals sealed by a licensed professional current with the association. This is good news for both members and for the protection of the public."

## **About Notarius**

A leading expert in electronic signatures, digital signatures, and long-term document reliability since 1998, Notarius is the only Canadian firm that issues trusted signatures recognized by Adobe (Adobe Approved Trust List – AATL) and eIDAS (electronic Identification Authentication and trust Services). Notarius' digital signature solutions are currently recognized and used by 40 professional associations across Canada, allowing thousands of professionals to sign and authenticate electronic documents with the same legal value as hand-signed paper documents.

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## **About NAPEG**

NAPEG is the *Northwest Territories* (*NT*) and *Nunavut* (*NU*) Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists. NAPEG regulates and licenses engineers and geoscientists who practice their profession in the NT/NU, and for projects within the NT/NU. Legislation is set out in the Acts that govern NAPEG to protect and serve the interests of the Northern Public. NAPEG has been regulating engineers and geoscientists in the NT/NU since 1979. Registrant ability to use digital signatures and seals that can be quickly verified or revoked by NAPEG will provide a layer of protection that is safe, secure and legally reliable. It is expected that registrants will be quick to respond to this opportunity.

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