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Appointment of Dr. Diane Botelho as RPC's First Chief Science Officer

November 30, 2018, Fredericton, NB - RPC is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Diane Botelho as RPC's first Chief Science Officer (CSO). The CSO, will lead RPC's strategic science direction, coordinating and building consensus internally while being the outward face of science for RPC. Initial objectives will be the science lead on RPC's new laboratory management information system and building collaborative opportunities, especially with the academic community.

"RPC is a science organization," notes Eric Cook, Executive Director. "Excellent science has been key to our success and will continue to be critical to effectively fulfilling our mandate as New Brunswick's research and technology organization. Diane is passionate about science, highly motivated and exceptionally talented. We are thrilled to have her as part of the executive team."

Dr. Botelho is a BSc (Honours) graduate of Mount St. Vincent University with a double major in math and chemistry. She received her PhD in Bioanalytical Chemistry from Dalhousie University. She is also an adjunct professor in UNB's Chemistry department.



"RPC is an established science leader with phenomenal talent. I am thrilled to have an opportunity to help build on our success," said Dr. Botelho.

The appointment is effective immediately.

About RPC

RPC is New Brunswick's provincial research organization (PRO), a research and technology organization (RTO) with locations in Fredericton, Moncton, and St. George, NB. RPC's complement of 160 scientists, engineers, technologists and support staff operate from a 13,000 sq. meter facility housing world-class analytical chemistry and material-testing laboratories, comprehensive life science capabilities, an internationally recognized fish health lab, extensive product development, design, manufacturing and testing services, and a wide variety of pilot facilities for the development and improvement of industrial and environmental processes and products.

RPC holds over 100 accreditations and certifications including a diverse ISO 17025 scope from the Standards Council of Canada (SCC) and is ISO 9001:2015 certified. Further information about RPC's services is available from www.rpc.ca.

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