

Dear member

Environment Agency Pension Fund (EAPF) Invitation to join the EAPF's newly formed Pension Board

The Public Service Pensions Act 2013 (the Act) requires the establishment of a Pension Board from 1 April 2015. The Board will assist the Pension Fund in further developing its governance, supporting the Fund in assuring compliance with regulation, and the requirements of the regulator.

The Act requires equal representation on the Pension Board between employers and members. The EAPF has an existing Pensions Committee that has this equal representation, and this Committee will continue to run parallel to the new Pension Board.

We are writing to ask if you are interested in learning more about the Environment Agency Pension Fund (EAPF) with a view to becoming a Pensions Committee and Pension Board Member from 1 April 2015, with the first meeting 16 June 2015. Applications are sought from retired and deferred members of the Fund.

The EAPF is looking for two individuals who can represent pensioner and deferred members. The term of office will be for an initial three year period with the eligibility of reappointment. The maximum tenure is for 10 years. The Pensions Committee is made up of 14 members. These are:

- 4 Non Executive members (including the Chair)
- 2 Executive members of the Environment Agency
- 1 Non Environment Agency – Employer representative
- 5 Contributing member representatives
- 2 Pensioner and/or Deferred members

We believe our existing governance arrangements are robust and diverse and that the introduction of a Pension Board will enhance the existing Pensions Committee, representing the views and interests of our members. We are keen to hear from you if you feel you can bring your skills, knowledge and experience to this role.

The enclosed leaflet outlines the responsibilities and commitment needed together with information on where your skills and experience can help.

If you wish to apply to be a Pension Board Member, just fill in the nomination form and return it in the stamped addressed envelope provided before Thursday **12th of March 2015** or alternatively, download the form from our website.

The decision on appointments will be taken by a Selection Panel established by the current Pensions Committee depending on the number of applications received.

Further information on how to apply can be found on our EAPF website at www.eapf.org.uk or by emailing us at info@eapf.org.uk

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'John Varley', with a stylized flourish at the end.

John Varley
Chairman of the Pensions Committee