## George Desmarais

George Desmarais has come out of retirement and now joined the Manitoba Metis Federation in the position of Executive Director. He brings considerable executive experience from the construction industry.

George began his construction career in 1976 with the family business as a labourer and ten years later as a Supervisor with the Ledcor Group. Since that time George held various positions within the organization. In previous roles as Director of Construction Operations in Canada for 360networks and Senior Construction Manager for Ledcor, George was responsible for all Canadian Telecommunications construction projects and their Aboriginal interface. George has overseen all hourly employment and Sub-Contractors with a strong Aboriginal component. Before his retirement George's efforts were focused on developing Ledcor and Client relations with Aboriginal Groups across Canada. George was instrumental in directing Aboriginal Training programs.



George Desmarais (centre)



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