

CHIEF WARRANT OFFICIER LUC GUILLEMETTE, MMM, CD

Chief Warrant Officer Luc Guillemette will be retiring on December 2nd, 2018 after more than 29 years of dedicated services with the CAF and the Corps of Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (RCEME).

CWO Luc Guillemette joined the Canadian Armed Forces on July 12th, 1989 as a vehicle technician. He successively completed his basic training course, a second language course and his basic vehicle technician course.

He was posted to 5 Service Batallion (5 Svc Bn), Valcartier in 1991. In 1993 he was promoted to corporal and was deployed to Croatia with the National Support Element (NSE) as crew chief for vehicle towing. In 1994-1995, CWO Guillemette was deployed to Bosnia with 3 R22eR Battle Group as the 2nd line workshop crew chief. In 2001, he was deployed for a third time in Ex-Yogoslavia, this time, responsible for the maintenance of the armored vehicles and heavy equipment with the 3 R22eR Battle Group. In 2006, he was appointed to develop the 5 Svc Bn training cell in preparation to the road to high readiness, where he was promoted to warrant officer. In 2007, Been ther CWO Guillemette was deployed to Afghanistan as the Operations' Done that Cestfait Warrant for the NSE. In 2008, he was posted to St-Hubert as Warrant Officer of the Control and Production Office. In 2009 he was promoted to the rank of master-warrant officer as the G4 maintenance at the 5 ASG HQ in Montreal.

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Back in Valcartier in 2010, he occupied the Electrical and Technical Quartermaster Sergeant position with the 2 R22eR until 2013. In the spring of 2012 CWO Guillemette participated in OPERATION LOTUS helping with floading in Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu where he was employed as the Sergent-Major of Technical Equipment.

From 2013-2015, he acted as Sergent-Major to the vehicle company at the Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineering School in Borden. He was promoted to his current rank in 2015. CWO Guillemette occupied the chief-warrant officer position for the Director -Armoured Vehicle Project Management (DAVPM) as well as the Assistant Occupational Advisor (AOA) position for Vehicle Tech. In 2016, he was selected as acting chief-warrant officer of division for the Director General – Land Equipment Program Management (DGLEPM).

In June 2017, he was appointed Regimental Sergent-Major for 5 Svc Bn. In November 2018, he will end a brilliant military career of nearly 30 years of loyal service. Luc has accepted a job offer for General Dynamics Land Systems – Canada (GDLS-C) as a senior technician for the VBL 6 in the Ottawa region. He will begin this new career path November 26th and through GDLS-C and DGLEPM, will continue to support the CAF.

CWO Guillemette would like to thank his spouse MWO Marie-Andrée Fortin and their children for their unconditional support. CWO Guillemette would also like to thank his colleagues and all CAF members he has worked alongside during his career. A special thank you to his mentors who have given him guidance throughout the years. Finally, thank you to the RCEME Corps for their trust and the numereous professional and personal development opportunities.

There will be a DWD luncheon held at **11h30 on November 16th**, **2018** at the restaurant **Archibald**, **1240 autoroute Duplessis**, **Québec**, **Qc G2G 2B5**.

Please send your confirmation of attendance and any messages and/or anecdotes before **November 9th, 2018** to MWO Marc Latour, <u>Marc Latour@forces.gc.ca</u>

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