Editor's Message

Every month, I receive various usage reports from our publisher, Canadian Science Publishing. I am forwarded information regarding the number of hits the website receives, the number of downloads that occur, the types of articles that are accessed, and the geographic location of those that visit the *Environmental Health Review* website.

I review these statistics monthly and look for trends or patterns. I noticed something quite encouraging when I reviewed the end of the 2014 year statistics, particularly looking at abstracts accessed as well as the full text article hits. Into 2012, 1089 full-text articles were accessed. This number jumped to 1514 in 2013 and went up a whopping 173% to 4127 in 2014. A similar trend was observed in the number of abstracts accessed as the number increased from 1967 in 2012, to 1974 in 2013, and then to 5023 in 2014.

The increase between 2013 and 2014 represents an increase of 155%.

It is very encouraging to see these numbers both in their magnitude, but also in the increasing trend. Our intention in moving the *Environmental Health Review* to an electronic format was that access would be increased. Using the metric of website hits, it appears that we are certainly moving in the right direction.

We are receiving more submissions with each issue and continually encourage the membership to think about submitting an interesting work that you would like to share with your colleagues across Canada. I hope you enjoy this issue of the *Environmental Health Review*.

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