

## Media Release

## Toronto Engineer Celebrated for Exceptional Contributions to Strengthening the Public Voice of the Profession

Toronto – (May 2, 2016) – For his diligent and enthusiastic service to the profession for nearly four decades, Stephen Jack, P.Eng., of Toronto, has been named an Officer of the Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) Order of Honour. He was inducted into the Order at a gala on April 29 in Toronto.

As a director, president and chair, secretary and member of the Ontario Professional Engineers Foundation for Education (Engineers Foundation), Jack has encouraged the pursuit of licensure among university students for nearly 20 years and provided valuable leadership to the registered charity that awards scholarships financed through the generous donations of Ontario engineers. As a result of its fundraising success, the Engineers Foundation in 2015 increased its scholarships to the province's 15 engineering schools by 50 per cent, providing more than 100 engineering students with scholarships of \$1,500 each.

"Through service with the Professional Engineers Foundation for Education, we try to ensure that students are properly recognized for their academic and leadership efforts and that they seek active roles in the profession when they graduate," he says.

Jack has also devoted countless hours to ensuring the professional and economic interests of Ontario engineers are promoted. An influential member of the team that helped to establish the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers in 2000, Stephen continued to provide leadership and support to the Society over the past decade as an elections scrutineer and member of several committees, including the Fee Schedule Committee, the Nominations Committee and the Employer Compensation Survey Advisory Committee.

The Order of Honour pays tribute to individuals who have rendered conspicuous service to the engineering profession. The rank of Officer is bestowed upon those who have served the profession for many years and whose sustained leadership has contributed greatly to its operation or improvement in its status.

## **About Professional Engineers Ontario**

Under the authority of the *Professional Engineers Act*, PEO governs over 85,000 licence and certificate holders and regulates professional engineering in Ontario. PEO's mission is to regulate and advance the practice of engineering to protect the public interest. Its vision is to be the trusted leader in professional self-regulation. Professional engineering safeguards life, health, property, economic interests, the public welfare and the environment. Professional engineers can be identified by the P.Eng. after their names. Holders of limited licences can be identified by LEL after their names.

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