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APEGBC Honoured as one of BC's Wood First Champions

VANCOUVER— At a reception held February 23, 2010 at the British Columbia Pavilion at the Vancouver Art Gallery, the Province of British Columbia named the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia (APEGBC) a BC Wood First Champion for its work on the *Technical and Practice Bulletin for Structural, Fire Protection and Building Envelope Professional Engineering Services for Five- and Six-Storey Wood-Frame Residential Building Projects*, and for associated contributions to the BC building code.

President Russ Kinghorn, P.Eng. accepted the award on behalf of APEGBC from the Honourable Pat Bell, Minister of Forests and Range. The honour of Wood First Champion recognizes those who have been at the forefront of promoting innovative forest products in construction, interior design and daily living.

“Receiving this award is a great honour for the Association.” says Kinghorn. “We are pleased to collaborate with government in upholding public safety and creating innovative new ways to use BC’s resources.”

Founded in 1920, APEGBC is the regulatory and licensing body for the professions of engineering and geoscience and is charged with protecting the public interest. With over 26,000 members, APEGBC is one of the largest professional associations in BC and maintains high academic, experience and professional practice standards. APEGBC members deliver real world solutions to meet the technological and social challenges of the 21st century.

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