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New President and Council take APEGBC into 89th Year

VANCOUVER—The Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of B.C. (APEGBC) has elected a new President and Council for the 2007/2008 term. The election results are as follows:

Executive

Janet Benjamin, P.Eng.	President	North Vancouver, BC
Margaret Li, P.Eng., PhD	Vice President	Burnaby, BC
Timothy Smith P.Geo., Eng.L.	Past President	Squamish, BC

Councillors Elected for a 2-Year Term

Mike Bapty, P.Eng.	Councillor	Cranbrook, BC
Matt Cameron, P.Eng.	Councillor	Kelowna, BC
Lee Failing, P.Eng.	Councillor	North Vancouver, BC
Jeff Holm, P.Eng.	Councillor	Kamloops, BC
Glen Singleton, P.Geo.	Councillor	Delta, BC

Councillors Elected for a 1-Year Term

Claudio Arato, P.Eng.	Councillor	Vancouver, BC
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Continuing Councillors

Lindsay Bottomer, P.Geo.	Councillor	North Vancouver, B.C.
Emily Cheung, P.Eng.	Councillor	Prince George, B.C.
Guy Lemieux, P.Eng.	Councillor	Richmond, B.C.
Kevin Turner, P.Eng.	Councillor	Kamloops, B.C.

Government Appointees

Joan Hansen, OD	Councillor	Delta, B.C.
Marilyn Pattison, PhD	Councillor	Victoria, B.C.
Joe Martignago	Councillor	Victoria, B.C.

Outgoing President, Timothy Smith, P.Geo., Eng.L., will formally induct elected candidates at the Association's 88th Annual General Meeting in Whistler, B.C. on Saturday Oct. 27, 2007. The election process, as prescribed by *the Engineers and Geoscientists Act*, and work of APEGBC's Council allows the professions of engineering and geoscience to enjoy the privilege of self-regulation.

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Founded in 1920, APEGBC is the regulatory and licensing body for the professions of engineering and geoscience. With over 24,000 members, APEGBC is one of the larger 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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News Directors: A short biography of Janet Benjamin is attached. For more information and a photo of Ms. Benjamin, please contact:

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Biography of APEGBC President: Janet Benjamin, P.Eng.

Janet Benjamin, P.Eng., has over 20 years of consulting experience in energy efficiency and sustainable transportation on four continents. President of Vireo Technologies Inc., a company that is developing plug-in hybrid electric vehicles, Ms. Benjamin is also co-founder of Power Smart Inc.

She received her Bachelor's degree in Agricultural Engineering from McGill University and a Master's degree in Business Administration from the Schulich School of Business, York University.

She was appointed by Governor in Council as a member of the National Round Table on the Environment and the Economy. This body is dedicated to exploring new opportunities to integrate environmental conservation and economic development in order to sustain Canada's prosperity and secure its future.

Ms. Benjamin is married and has two adult daughters.