IN THE MATTER OF THE ENGINEERS AND GEOSCIENTISTS ACT R.S.B.C. 1996, CHAPTER 116 as amended

and

IN THE MATTER OF BORIANA ARGUIROVA, P.Eng.

APEGBC File No. T15-039

CONSENT ORDER

Background and Facts

- 1. On March 16, 2017, a Notice of Inquiry dated March 15, 2017 was issued to Boriana Arguirova, P. Eng. ("Ms. Arguirova"), containing the following allegations:
 - A. Prior to and during 2013, while working at Applied Engineering Solutions Ltd., you demonstrated unprofessional conduct by using a curriculum vitae ("CV") that contained information that was inaccurate, specifically:
 - i. that you hold a Master of Business Administration ("MBA") degree when you do not hold that degree;
 - ii. that you hold a Masters Degree of Accounting and Estimating when you do not hold that degree; and
 - iii. that you have Project Management Professional ("PMP") certification when you do not have that certification;

in circumstances where you knew or ought to have known that Applied Engineering Solutions Ltd. would distribute your CV to clients or prospective clients.

- B. You demonstrated unprofessional conduct in 2013 when, prior to being employed by Morrison Hershfield, you provided Morrison Hershfield with a copy of your CV that contained information that was inaccurate, specifically that you have experience on projects that you had never worked on (the "Project Representations"), and issued your CV to Morrison Hershfield when it contained the Project Representations in addition to the inaccuracies identified above at paragraphs 1A(i), (ii) and (iii).
- C. You demonstrated unprofessional conduct by engaging in the conduct set out above in paragraph 1B in circumstances where you knew or ought to have known that Morrison Hershfield would, if you were hired, distribute your CV to clients or prospective clients.

- D. You demonstrated unprofessional conduct in 2013 when you advised Morrison Hershfield that the Project Representations were inaccurate but you did not take steps thereafter to ensure that those inaccuracies were corrected, including after you were hired by Morrison Hershfield, such that you knew or ought to have known that Morrison Hershfield might distribute an inaccurate CV to clients or prospective clients including The University of British Columbia Payment and Procurement Services in connection with the construction of the UBC Undergraduate Life Sciences Teaching Labs.
- E. The conduct set out above at paragraphs 1A to 1D is contrary to Principles 7 and 10 of the APEGBC Code of Ethics, and the requirement in the preamble of the APEGBC Code of Ethics that engineers and geoscientists act at all times with fairness, courtesy and good faith to their associates, employers, employees and clients, and with fidelity to the public needs.

Admissions

2. Ms. Arguirova admits the allegations in the Notice of Inquiry set out in paragraphs 1A to 1E above.

Disposition

- 3. This Consent Order is made pursuant to section 32.1 of the *Engineers and Geoscientists Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 116 (the "Act").
- 4. Ms. Arguirova's membership in APEGBC is suspended for one month commencing June 23, 2017.
- 5. The following conditions are imposed on Ms. Arguirova's membership:
 - (a) Ms. Arguirova must successfully complete the APEGBC Professional Engineering and Geoscience Practice in BC Online Seminar (the "Online Seminar") at her expense within 60 days of her resumption of practice following the suspension imposed under paragraph, 1 of this Consent Order; and
 - (b) Ms. Arguirova will provide written notice that she has completed the Online Seminar to the Registrar of APEGBC within seven days of completion.
- 6. Ms. Arguirova shall pay a fine in the amount of \$4,000 to APEGBC, payable within 30 days of the date of this Consent Order.
- 7. Ms. Arguirova shall pay \$2,500 towards APEGBC's legal costs within 30 days of the date of this Consent Order.

8. In the event that Ms. Arguirova fails to comply with any of the terms of this Consent Order, her membership in APEGBC will be suspended until every default has been remedied in accordance with the terms of this Consent Order.

Consequences of the Consent Order

- 9. The full text or a summary of this Consent Order will be published by APEGBC in print and electronic publications including on APEGBC's website.
- 10. This Consent Order has the same force and effect as an Order made under section 33(2) of the Act and may be dealt with under section 34 of the Act if conditions in the Consent Order are not met.
- 11.Ms. Arguirova agrees that she has had the benefit of independent legal advice regarding this Consent Order.
- 12. APEGBC and Ms. Arguirova agree that this Consent Order may be executed in counterparts and delivered as an electronic document.

This Consent Order is approved and accepted by Ms. Arguirova and the members of the Discipline Committee Review Panel this 4 day of 300, 2017, 2017.

Upul Atukorala, REn ., Chair, Discipline Committee

Jaswinder Bansal, P.Eng., Member, Discipline Committee

Thomas Leung, P.Eng., Struct.Eng., FEC Member, Discipline Committee

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Name of Witness

Signature of Witness

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