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## **Consulting Engineers of Manitoba 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards of Excellence in Consulting Engineering and 30th Anniversary Celebration**

**WINNIPEG, MB** – Environmental good news, use of advanced technologies, and contributions to society's infrastructure will be honoured Thursday, April 24th at the 2008 Manitoba Awards of Excellence in Consulting Engineering on this commemorative 30th anniversary of Consulting Engineers of Manitoba (CEM). Winners will be announced at a gala dinner hosted by CEM, who is expecting a sold out attendance of more than 325 guests, including representatives of the engineering industry, the Lieutenant Governor, government representatives, City of Winnipeg and Manitoba's business community.

“Considering such current disasters as the bridge collapse in Minneapolis, I am even more convinced of the important role of this awards forum, which encourages and recognizes excellent engineering work in Manitoba,” said Cheng Wong, P.Eng., Chair of CEM's Awards Committee. “It is our privilege to serve society in such a meaningful way, but perhaps the depth of our responsibility is not always understood by the general public and we want them to see how we (CEM) help to set the bar high for engineering project standards in Manitoba.”

This year, 27 projects (up from 19 last year) were submitted by CEM member firms in one or more of the following award categories: Building Engineering, Infrastructure/Transportation, Environmental, Energy Resource Development, Industrial, and Municipal Water and Technology. The projects were judged by an independent panel of leading industry professionals again chaired by Dr. Jay Doering, Professor of Civil Engineering and Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies, at the University of Manitoba.

The judging panel is allowed to present award(s) of excellence and merit in each category. In keeping with the Awards Program's mandate of fostering and promoting excellence in engineering, projects must meet a minimum standard to be selected for an award. The project with the highest score is declared the overall winner and presented with the prestigious *Keystone Award*.

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## Page 2 – CEM Awards of Excellence

This year, Awards of Excellence were presented to:

Stantec Consulting Ltd. (*Infrastructure/Transportation*);  
AMEC Earth and Environmental (*Environmental*);  
MCW/AGE Consulting Professional Engineers (*Building Engineering*); and  
Teshmont Consultants LP (*Energy Resource Development*).

Awards of Merit were presented to:

Tower Engineering Group (*Building Engineering*);  
Earth Tech (Canada) Inc. (*Municipal and Water Technology*)  
Crosier Kilgour & Partners Ltd. (*Building Engineering*);  
AMEC Earth & Environmental and Crosier Kilgour and Partners Ltd. (*Building Engineering*);  
Dillon Consulting Ltd. (*Infrastructure/Transportation*)  
UMA Engineering Ltd. (*Infrastructure/Transportation*);  
GENIVAR & TetrES (*Environmental*); and  
KGS Group (*Industrial*).

The **Keystone Award** will go to **Stantec Consulting Ltd.** for their design engineering and completion of the Kenaston Underpass representing a major advance in the transportation system of Winnipeg. Keeping the trains running and the transfer moving throughout the project was a major challenge, and required seven contracts, two consultants and three construction firms to come in on budget and on time.

The **Lifetime Achievement Award** will be presented to **Norm Ulyatt, P. Eng.**, in recognition of his individual achievements, leadership, and contributions to consulting engineering in Manitoba. Mr. Ulyatt will also be the honorary presenter of the *Keystone Award*, which is presented to the best overall project, along with event title sponsors XL Insurance and Oldfield Kirby Esau Inc.

Established in 2005, the **Engineering Action Award** is presented to **Roger Rempel, P.Eng.**, an actively practicing engineer who has demonstrated outstanding service and dedication to CEM, the Canadian consulting engineering profession and the community.

The **Rising Star Award**, newly established in recognition of CEM's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary, is intended to recognize engineers, such as **Daniel C. Zaborniak, P.Eng.**, who has emerged as a leader in the early stages of his careers through outstanding engineering achievements and active involvement with CEM.

*Founded in 1978, CEM is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the Manitoba business environment for consulting engineering firms in the province, and providing society with the highest standards of engineering and safety.*

**Note** – See attachment for a complete listing of winning projects and a bio for Norm Ulyatt, Roger Rempel and Daniel C. Zaborniak.

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# 2008 Manitoba Awards of Excellence in Consulting Engineering

## Award Winners

### KEYSTONE AWARD:

Category: Infrastructure/Transportation  
Firm: Stantec Consulting Ltd.  
Client: City of Winnipeg  
Project: Kenaston Underpass

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Category: Energy Resource Development  
Firm: Teshmont Consultants LP  
Client: Teck Cominco Metals Limited  
Project: Waneta Hydro Substation

Category: Building Engineering  
Firm: MCW/AGE Consulting Professional Engineers  
Client: Garden Valley School Division  
Project: Emerado Centennial School - Winkler, Manitoba

Category: Environmental  
Firm: AMEC Earth & Environmental  
Client: Federated Cooperatives Limited  
Project: Innovative Application of In-Situ Bioremedial Technologies at a  
Petroleum & Fertilizer Distribution Facility - Gladstone, MB

### AWARDS OF MERIT:

Category: Building Engineering  
Firm: Tower Engineering Group LP  
Client: Brent Business Services Limited  
Project: 125 Garry Street - Energy Efficiency Upgrade

Category: Municipal & Water Technology  
Firm: Earth Tech (Canada) Inc.  
Client: Winnipeg Airport Authority  
Project: Stormwater Management for the Winnipeg Airport Authority Development

Category: Building Engineering  
Firm: Crosier Kilgour & Partners Ltd.  
Client: Edison Rental Agency  
Project: Parking Structure Assessment and Rehabilitation at 415 Edison Avenue  
and 1301 Rothesay Street

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**Page 2 - Award of Merit Winners cont.**

Category: Building Engineering  
Firm: AMEC Earth & Environmental and Crosier Kilgour & Partners Ltd.  
Client: Edgewater Group Ltd.  
Project: The Edgewater Condominiums

Category: Infrastructure/Transportation  
Firm: Dillon Consulting Limited  
Client: City of Winnipeg - Transit Department  
Project: Transit Priority Program

Category: Infrastructure/Transportation  
Firm: UMA Engineering Ltd.  
Client: Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation  
Project: CN Overpass on Trans Canada Hwy (TCH) #1 West - Portage la Prairie By-Pass

Category: Environmental  
Firm: GENIVAR & TetrES Consultants Inc.  
Client: Engineers Canada & City of Portage la Prairie  
Project: Portage la Prairie Water Resource Infrastructure Study to Assess Vulnerability due to Climate Change

Category: Industrial  
Firm: KGS Group  
Client: Inland Aggregates Limited  
Project: Inland Pine Ridge Project

**Lifetime Achievement Award**

The Lifetime Achievement Award is presented each year to a Manitoba engineer whose leadership, achievements, and contributions to consulting engineering have served as an inspiration to others. The winner of the Lifetime Achievement Award is also given the honour of presenting the Keystone Award.

**Norman B. Ulyatt, P.Eng.**

Born and raised in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Norm graduated from the University of Manitoba with a Bachelors Degree in Civil Engineering in 1970. He started his career with M.M. Dillon Ltd. in the Winnipeg office as a resident bridge engineer. One of his first projects was the construction of the twin Maryland Bridge Structures across the Assiniboine River. The size and complexity of this project excited Norm and he continued to work on complex bridge projects locally and across Canada over the next four decades.

Throughout the years, Norm has managed many of the Province of Manitoba and the City of Winnipeg's most complex transportation and structural projects. In addition to these noteworthy projects, Norm has also contributed to the advancement of his profession through his active participation with the Association of Professional Engineers and the Consulting Engineers of Manitoba.

Although his career and professional volunteerism occupied most of his time, Norm managed to make room in his schedule to give back to the community, supporting many worthy organizations

including the United Way, the Manitoba Schizophrenia Society, and the Folklorama Scottish Pavilion.

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### **Page 3 - Norm Ulyatt's Bio cont.**

With over 38 years in the engineering experience, Norm's attention to detail, effective project delivery methods, and professional manner have enabled him to effectively satisfy project objectives and made him one of the most sought after structural engineers in the Province. His selfless approach to his projects and relationships is illustrated by the magnitude of successful projects and innumerable friends and acquaintances he has acquired within the industry throughout his distinguished career.

### **Engineering Action Award**

Established in 2005, this award is presented to an actively practicing engineer who has demonstrated outstanding service and dedication to CEM, the Canadian consulting engineering profession and the community.

### **Roger Rempel, P.Eng.**

Since graduating in 1991 from the University of Manitoba with a gold medal and degree in Civil Engineering, Roger Rempel has distinguished himself as an energetic, active and effective champion for the interests and improvement of the consulting engineering industry and professional engineering as a profession.

A senior engineer at TetrES Consultants Inc., Roger is actively involved in a number of professional engineering associations including the Consulting Engineers of Manitoba (CEM). From 1998 to 2003, Roger chaired the committee that launched the Awards of Excellence Program. He assumed even greater responsibility in 2005, serving a term as Vice-President and then as President in 2006- 2007. In these positions, Roger spearheaded a number of initiatives that have grown into CEM and Manitoba engineering traditions.

Media-savvy and technologically inclined, Roger has always had a keen interest in public relations, and has been an involved in a number of successful awareness initiatives at the local and national level, including the launch of NewsBreak, CEM's first e-newsletter, and a comprehensive CEM Member Firm Survey in 2007.

Over the years, Roger has been an effective ambassador for engineering in the community, providing expert commentary for a number of local media outlets on a wide variety of topics including the Flood of the Century, flood damage in New Orleans, Lake Winnipeg water quality, and more.

Through his outstanding effort and dedication, Roger has been a champion of the importance of having a good engineering profession for the overall welfare of the society.

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## **Page 4 - Rising Star Award**

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The Rising Star Award, newly established in recognition of CEM's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary, is intended to recognize engineers who have emerged as leaders in the early stages of their careers through outstanding engineering achievements and active involvement with CEM.

#### **Daniel C. Zaborniak, P.Eng.**

Daniel Zaborniak graduated from the University of Manitoba with a degree in Civil Engineering in 2004. In just four years, this young engineer has emerged as a motivated, dynamic and skilled leader.

As a result of his work in the structural engineering department of Acres Manitoba Limited, Daniel has a very diverse background for someone so new to the profession. He has been involved with a variety of industrial and hydroelectric projects. His professional contributions include such engineering services as structural design and analysis, stability analysis, detailed capital cost estimating, specification writing, construction inspections, and project scoping.

Daniel's conscientious work ethic is proven by his excellent supervision of construction projects he has been involved with including the Winter Road Bridges (a 2005 Consulting Engineers of Manitoba Awards of Excellence Project), the Fort Francis Underpass Projects, and most recently in his current role on the Floodway Outlet Structure Project. On each and every project, Danny has demonstrated an eye for detail in ensuring integrity and completeness of work.

In 2006, Daniel accepted the invitation to chair the Consulting Engineers of Manitoba (CEM) Image Committee. Since then, he has been involved in a number of initiatives that have dramatically raised the profile of the association, particularly among students at the University of Manitoba.

A talented engineer, focused professional, and natural leader, Daniel is definitely someone to watch who will do great things for the engineering profession in years to come.