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**Consulting Engineers from Across Canada
Recognized for Outstanding Contributions to the Industry and Society**

(OTTAWA) October 29, 2019 – From designing world renowned facilities and iconic bridges, to addressing public access and mobility issues within a community, to improving water and sanitation services here at home and abroad, the work of consulting engineering firms was on full display in Ottawa on Tuesday night, as twenty leading-edge projects received Awards of Excellence for their technical excellence and their contributions to society at the 2019 Canadian Consulting Engineering (CCE) Awards gala.

In addition, five Special Achievement Awards were also presented to the projects that best demonstrated: technical innovation; dedication to the environment; Canadian expertise abroad; and how engineering enhances Canadians' social, economic or cultural quality of life. Winners were selected by independent jurors with distinguished and varied backgrounds.

Now in their 51st year, the CCE Awards are presented jointly by the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies-Canada (ACEC) and *Canadian Consulting Engineer* magazine. “This is an opportunity to recognize the valuable contributions that Canadian consulting engineers make both here at home and around the world on a national stage,” said ACEC President and CEO John Gamble, “they highlight the role that consulting engineers play in our daily lives and the important impact that their work has on all Canadians.”

Three awards were also presented to deserving individuals. The 2019 Beaubien Award for lifetime achievement which was presented to Francois Plourde, P.Eng., of CIMA+. The 2020 Allen D. Williams scholarship, recognizing a young professional's commitment to consulting engineering, was awarded to Nicholas C. Kaminski, P.Eng., PMP, of KGS Group. Finally, this year's Chair's Award for exceptional contributions to the industry was bestowed to Jean-Marc Carrière, former ACEC Vice-President of Finance and Administration, who retired at the end of September after 21 years of service to the association and the consulting engineering industry.

In addition, three ACEC member firms were recognized for having recently been presented with international awards by the International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC) in Mexico City this past September. Kerr Wood Leidal Associates Ltd. received a FIDIC Award of Merit for its Squamish Integrated Flood Hazard Management Plan project. Stantec and Tetra Tech Canada Inc. received a FIDIC Award of Special Merit for the Inuvik Tuktoyaktuk Highway project.

This year's award-winning projects are described in full in the October-November 2019 issue of *Canadian Consulting Engineer* at www.canadianconsultingengineer.com/digital-edition/.

In November, follow ACEC's national and international award winning #20DaysOfExcellence in Engineering campaign on social media. Visit www.acec.ca/20daysofexcellence to view videos of the winning projects and to learn more about the impact of consulting engineering on our quality of life.

ACEC represents companies in Canada that provide professional engineering services to both public and private sector clients. These services include the planning, design and execution of all types of engineering projects, as well as providing independent advice and expertise in a wide range of engineering and engineering-related fields. For more information about ACEC and the 2019 Canadian Consulting Engineering Awards, please visit www.acec.ca.

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