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### **Professional Engineer Scholarship Recipients Contribute to a Sustainable Canadian Future**

**Ottawa, ON, October 5, 2010** – Whether they realize it or not, Canadians see the benefit of the work engineers do every day. From developing environmentally friendly products to creating life-saving medical devices and building safer buildings, roads and bridges, engineers are concerned with the quality and safety of these innovations so Canadians don't have to be.

Engineers Canada, along with Manulife Financial and TD Insurance Meloche Monnex, is honoured to once again award seven Canadian engineers with scholarships in support of their great potential to contribute to the everyday lives of Canadians.

“We are proud to support these individuals as they pursue their dreams of giving back to society, creating new technologies and improving the health of the environment,” said Chantal Guay, ing., P.Eng., M.Env., chief executive officer, Engineers Canada. “It is very rewarding to acknowledge engineers who are building on their backgrounds and demonstrating the ingenuity, resourcefulness and skills that are fundamental to the engineering profession.”

For years, Manulife Financial and TD Insurance Meloche Monnex have joined Engineers Canada in rewarding outstanding engineers who build on their engineering background by returning to school to pursue advanced academic studies.

“As a forward thinking organization, Manulife Financial is proud to support Engineers Canada in its admirable initiative to assist engineering professionals in their quest to innovate. As we move towards the next 60 years of our partnership, we will continue to be there for the outstanding men and women whose dedication to the engineering profession helps improve the lives of Canadians,” said Gavin Robinson, SVP and General Manager, Affinity Markets, Manulife Financial.

“We are proud to partner with Engineers Canada to encourage young engineers to push the boundaries of the profession with their innovative ideas,” said Jean R. Lachance, Chairman, Affinity Market Group, TD Insurance Meloche Monnex. “Our company history is inextricably linked to the engineering profession and to Engineers Canada, our partner for 39 years. Today we continue to provide home and automobile insurance to 83,000 engineers and their families.”

The scholarship recipients are working on a range of projects with the goals of: improving energy sustainability on farms; investigating cleaner and more cost-effective solid oxide fuel cell technology; creating an advanced composite material for use in aircraft turbine engines; becoming a technology strategist; improving our understanding of the environmental implications of the energy sector; creating better growing conditions in salt-affected areas by flushing salts from the soil; and developing a sound understanding of social policy and governance.

This year's scholarship recipients are:

**Engineers Canada-Manulife Financial Scholarships** for those returning to university for further study or research in an engineering field. Valued at \$12,500.

- **Julie A. Bailey, P.Eng.**, Engineers Nova Scotia, pursuing her PhD in Interdisciplinary Studies at Dalhousie University
- **Mark J. Cuglietta, P.Eng.**, APEGGA, pursuing his PhD in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Toronto
- **Giovanni (John) Montesano, P.Eng.**, PEO, pursuing his PhD in Aerospace Engineering at Ryerson University

**Engineers Canada-TD Insurance Meloche Monnex Scholarships** for those returning to university for further study or research in a field other than engineering. Valued at \$7,500.

- **Allan Alfonso, P.Eng.**, PEO, pursuing his Master of Business Administration degree at the Richard Ivey School of Business at the University of Western Ontario
- **Alesya Bajoria, P.Eng.**, APEGGA, pursuing a Master of Business Administration in Natural Resources, Energy and Environment degree at the University of Alberta
- **Michael V. Callaghan, MSc, P.Eng.**, APEGGA, undertaking a PhD in Geoscience at the University of Calgary in the field of environmental remediation

**Engineers Canada-TD Insurance Meloche Monnex Léopold Nadeau Scholarship** for those returning to university for further study or research in the area of public policy development. Valued at \$10,000.

- **Brett Kristina Stevenson, P.Eng.**, APEGGA, pursuing a Master of Public Administration in Public and Nonprofit Management and Policy degree with an international specialization at the Wagner School of Public Service at New York University

For more information on the 2010 scholarship recipients and Engineers Canada, visit:

[www.engineerscanada.ca/e/pr\\_awards\\_2.cfm](http://www.engineerscanada.ca/e/pr_awards_2.cfm)

*Engineers Canada is the business name of the Canadian Council of Professional Engineers and is the national organization of the 12 provincial and territorial associations that regulate the practice of engineering in Canada and license the country's more than 234,000 members of the engineering profession.*

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