

## Media Release

## Mississauga Engineer, President and CEO of Bob Hindle Associates Feted for 20 Years of Devoted Service to the Engineering Profession

Toronto – (April 28, 2014) – Robert Hindle, B.Sc. (Hons), P.Eng., FEC, of Mississauga, has been named an Officer of the Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) Order of Honour. He was inducted into the order at a April 25 gala in Niagara Falls.

For two decades, Hindle has devoted time, energy and passion to improving one of the core facets of PEO's regulatory mandate, through a committee whose workload is one of the heaviest. Despite the responsibilities and time commitments that come with being a senior executive of a major, global engineering firm, Hindle has been a leading influence as a member of PEO's Complaints Committee (or COC) since 1993. The COC investigates and considers complaints about the actions and conduct of PEO licence and Certificate of Authorization holders, to ensure the public interest is served and protected.

Respected for his careful, reasonable and sensible judgment, Hindle served as lead reviewer on some of the more difficult complaint files, and led the committee through some challenging transitions in the way it conducts its business.

Throughout his time on the COC, Hindle has been committed to continually examining and improving its processes to make them as efficient and thorough as possible. Under his leadership as chair from 2009 to 2012, the handling and consideration of complaints was significantly improved, which has reduced the time taken to review cases, present the lead reviewer's assessment, and reach decisions.

"As a self-regulating profession, it is vital that members of the profession step up and contribute to the organization. Without volunteers, we risk losing our ability to self-regulate," says Hindle. "My career has been interesting, exciting and rewarding, and I believe strongly in giving back to the profession that has given so much to me."

The Order of Honour pays tribute to individuals who have rendered conspicuous service to the engineering profession. The rank of Officer is bestowed upon those who have served the profession for many years and whose sustained leadership has contributed greatly to its operation or improvement in its status.

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