

## Media Release

## Engineering Regulator Recognizes Windsor Engineer for Education Outreach Activities and Impactful Volunteer Service to the Profession

Toronto – (April 28, 2014) – For her tireless support of the engineering profession, Wanda M. Juricic, P.Eng., of Windsor, has been named a Member of the Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) Order of Honour. She was inducted into the order at an April 25 gala in Niagara Falls.

Juricic has enthusiastically immersed herself in nearly every aspect of the PEO Windsor-Essex Chapter's operations since joining its executive in 2006. She immediately took on the job of chairing the Education Subcommittee, and successfully completed one of its most significant and long-standing projects—an education outreach video entitled, *Take a Look at Engineering*. The video introduces elementary school students to engineering in a fun and creative way with copies distributed to local schools and libraries, and shown at a number of public events.

A natural leader who encourages colleagues to contribute to PEO and the community, Juricic has never hesitated to take on new roles within the chapter executive, serving as education coordinator, certificate coordinator and two years as chapter chair. She also almost singlehandedly coordinated the chapter's winning bid to host PEO's successful 2008 annual general meeting.

Juricic has been an inspiration for women in engineering and those considering a career in math and sciences. She has participated in the chapter's Education Committee and helped staff its Innovation Station engineering display at Devonshire Mall. She has also been a member of the Windsor Regional Science, Technology and Engineering Fair committee, and participated at Go ENG Girl events. She now contributes to PEO's wider education outreach activities as a member of the association's Education Committee.

"Over the last couple of years, I have had the greatest opportunity to meet new people and strengthen the relationship with my PEO chapter family," says Juricic. "I volunteer because I want to 'pay-it-forward' and share with others what I have learned from the supporters in my life. There is no greater feeling than knowing I am reaching out."

The Order of Honour pays tribute to individuals who have rendered conspicuous service to the engineering profession. The rank of Member is bestowed upon those who have served the profession by contributing substantially to its operation or improvement in its status.

## About Professional Engineers Ontario

Through the *Professional Engineers Act*, PEO governs over 82,000 licence and certificate holders and regulates professional engineering in Ontario to serve and protect the public. Professional engineering safeguards life, health, property, economic interests, the public welfare and the environment. Professional engineers can be identified by the P.Eng. after their names.

-30-

For additional information or interviews, please contact: David Smith, Manager, Communications Tel: 416-840-1068; 800-339-3716, ext.1068 Cell: 416-458-4140 Email: dsmith@peo.on.ca