



## News Release

### Ms. Kim Sturgess elected President of the Canadian Academy of Engineering for 2011/2012



**Ottawa – (June 3, 2011)** – Ms. Kim Sturgess, FCAE, P.Eng., was elected President of the Canadian Academy of Engineering (CAE) at CAE's Annual General Meeting held on June 3, 2011 in Vancouver. She was elected as a Fellow of the Academy in 2004 and has served on the Board of Directors since 2006.

A professional engineer, Kim Sturgess is the founder and CEO of Alberta WaterSMART, a not-for-profit water management services organization. As the CEO of several technology based companies over her career, she has extensive experience in technology start-ups and technology management, as well as in oil and gas, pipelines, and industrial products and services. In addition to serving on the boards of her own companies, she serves on the boards of CCI Thermal Technologies in Edmonton, the Calgary Airport Authority, and the Canadian Academy of Engineering. Formerly she served as a director of the Alberta Water Council, the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, the National Research Council, the Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta, the Alberta Economic Development Authority, Queen's University, and the Calgary Science Centre. She has been recognized with the YWCA Women of Distinction award, the Global Woman of Vision award, the Distinguished Service Award and the Alumni Achievement Award from Queen's University, and the Alberta Centennial Medal. In 2007, she was named as one of Canada's Top 100 Most Powerful Women.

The Canadian Academy of Engineering comprises many of the country's most accomplished engineers, who have expressed their dedication to the application of science and engineering principles in the interests of the country and its enterprises. The Academy is an independent, self-governing and non-profit organization established in 1987 to serve the nation in matters of engineering concern. The Academy is an active member of the ***International Council of Academies of Engineering and Technological Sciences (CAETS)***, which involves 26 leading countries.

Members of the Academy are nominated and elected by their peers to honorary Fellowships, in view of their distinguished achievements and career-long service to the engineering profession. Members work closely with the other national engineering associations in Canada, and with the other Canadian academies that comprise the ***Council of Canadian Academies***.

Fellows of the Academy are committed to ensuring that Canada's engineering expertise is applied to the benefit of all Canadians, and can be identified by the FCAE after their names.

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