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APEGGA Announces New President, Executive and Council

Calgary – John McLeod, P.Eng., was sworn into office as the 88th president of The Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta (APEGGA) at the association's 2007 Annual General Meeting on April 28.

McLeod, a resident of Okotoks, has 36 years in the domestic and international upstream oil and gas industry, in both engineering and management. He spent 15 years with Amoco Canada in engineering roles in Calgary, Drayton Valley, Edmonton, Odessa, TX, and Tulsa, OK and also spent four years as chief engineer for Amoco Canada. He was vice-president operations for Pengrowth Energy Trust in its formative stage from 1991 through 1995. Recently, as president and CEO of Rally Energy Corp., he was involved in gas exploration in Prince Edward Island and Pakistan, and the development of a large heavy oil project in Egypt. Since late 2005, McLeod has been president of California Oil & Gas Corporation, a company exploring for oil and natural gas in California and Louisiana.

McLeod leads APEGGA's new executive committee including newly-elected president-elect, Dr. Gordon Williams, P.Geol., vice-president, Lisa Doig, P.Eng., past-president, David Chalcroft, P.Eng., and executive director and registrar, Neil Windsor, P.Eng.

They are joined by the council consisting of newly-elected councillors Dr. Ron Hinds, P.Geoph., Leah Lawrence, P.Eng., Anne Simpson P.Eng. and John Van der Put, P.Eng. Councillors continuing in office include: Jim Beckett, P.Eng., Chrys. Dmytruk, P.Eng., John Hogg, P.Geol., Dr. Judith Lentin, P.Geol., Marc Sabourin, P.Eng., Jim Smith, P.Eng., Kim Sturgess, P.Eng. and Dick Walters, P.Eng. They are joined by appointed public members Gary Campbell, QC, Bill Grace, FCA, and Dr. Larry Ohlhauser.

Established in 1920, APEGGA is responsible for regulating the practices of engineering, geology and geophysics in the province of Alberta. The association's 48,000 members play a significant role in every segment of the economy, and their technical and management expertise ensure Alberta remains at the forefront of technological innovation.

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Note: photos of council members are available.

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