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Edmonton Area Man Ordered to Stop Misrepresenting Himself as a Professional Engineer

Edmonton - Dennis R. Anderson was ordered by the Court of Queen's Bench to stop the illegal practice of engineering, the illegal use of a professional engineer's stamp, the illegal use of the designation "P.Eng." and to stop misrepresenting himself as a professional engineer. Legal action against Anderson was initiated by The Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta (APEGGA). APEGGA is responsible for regulation of the engineering and geoscience professions in Alberta.

The Engineering, Geological and Geophysical Professions Act authorizes APEGGA to prosecute individuals and firms who misrepresent themselves as professionals or who illegally provide engineering, geological or geophysical services to the public.

Justice Carolyn S. Phillips of the Court of Queen's Bench granted an injunction against Anderson on Tuesday, November 15, 2005.

"The action in the Anderson case was taken because of APEGGA's regulatory mandate as the administrator of the Engineering, Geological and Geophysical Professions Act. It is incumbent upon us to protect public safety and well-being. One way in which we do that is by ensuring that only persons who are properly qualified and licensed to do so offer engineering and geoscience services within Alberta. As Alberta's engineering and geoscience regulatory body, APEGGA takes action to prevent individuals and firms who illegally misrepresent themselves as professional engineers or geoscientists or illegally provide these services to the public," says Neil Windsor, P.Eng., APEGGA's executive director and registrar.

The largest self-governing professional association in Alberta, APEGGA was established in 1920. Empowered by the Government of Alberta through legislation, APEGGA registers, sets practice standards and determines disciplinary action for over 43,000 members.

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