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## **Calgary Man Guilty of Illegally Using Engineering Designation**

**Edmonton** – Richard Kwok Fun Yu, 60, of Calgary, chairman and CEO of Prince Resource Corporation, was found guilty of illegally using the “P.Eng.” designation. He misrepresented himself as a professional engineer in correspondence and in documents publicly available on the Canadian Securities Administrators’ SEDAR website. The Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta (APEGGA) is responsible for regulating the engineering and geoscience professions in Alberta and initiated the action against Yu.

Yu contravened Part 1 of the *Engineering, Geological and Geophysical Professions Act*. The 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.

Yu’s APEGGA membership was cancelled in July 1997 for non-payment of annual dues. Yet between March 19, 1999 and October 26, 2004 he continued to use the designation “P.Eng.” notwithstanding the cancellation. Prior to taking Yu to court, APEGGA repeatedly encouraged him to either seek registration or cease using the exclusive title.

Justice James L. Lewis of the Court of Queen’s Bench granted an injunction against Yu on Friday, June 17, 2005. Yu has been ordered to cease using the title “Professional Engineer” or the “P.Eng.” designation. Should Yu breach the court order by personally, or on behalf of his company, holding himself out to be an engineer in Alberta while unauthorized to do so, further legal action may be taken.

“The action in the Yu 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 42,000 members.

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**Note:** the *Engineering, Geology and Geophysical Professions Act* is available at <http://www.apegga.org/About/ACT/preface.htm>

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