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Wetaskiwin Electrical Equipment Manufacturer Unqualified to Engage in the Practice of Engineering

Edmonton – Hans Broere, owner of Broere Electric Ltd., and A.C. Dandy Products in Wetaskiwin, has been ordered to cease holding himself out as qualified to engage in the practice of engineering. Broere has also been ordered to cease using the designation B.Eng. Furthermore, Broere has been ordered to cease holding out his companies as being qualified to engage in the practice of engineering.

Broere has never been registered by The Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta (APEGGA) and his companies have never held a permit to practice.

APEGGA initially approached Broere and encouraged him to comply with The Engineering, Geological and Geophysical Professions Act (EGGP Act) by removing all personal references to engineering as well as references on buildings, vehicles, drawings and advertising materials. After repeated requests by APEGGA to comply with the EGGP Act were ignored by Broere, APEGGA initiated the action against Broere and his companies.

Justice E.A. Marshall of the Court of Queen's Bench granted an injunction against Broere, Broere Electric Ltd., and Broere Electric Ltd. carrying on business as both Broere Electric and A.C. Dandy Products Ltd. Should Broere 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 Hans Broere and Broere Electric Ltd., case was taken because of our regulatory mandate. APEGGA administers The Engineering, Geological and Geophysical Professions Act. As such, it is incumbent upon us to protect public safety and well-being. An important way in which we do that is to ensure that only individuals and companies qualified and licensed to do so offer engineering and geoscience services in Alberta. If consultation fails, APEGGA will take legal action to prevent individuals and firms who misrepresent themselves as professional engineers or geoscientists," 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 47,000 members.

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