Mr. Lorne White—A Member of the Canadian Society for Engineering Management

Mr. White graduated in electrical engineering from the University of Manitoba. He has also attended on almost a continuous basis for numerous years a variety of courses regarding almost all aspects of advanced communication technology. Mr. White in many ways epitomizes the “Continuing Education” program so highly valued by the Engineering Institute of Canada.

For several years following graduation Mr. White was employed by Alberta Government Telephones where he was involved in fibre optic technology, particularly field applications of first-generation and subsequent communication systems. He then moved to Telecom Canada in Ottawa to help develop technical support and interface technology within Telecom, Bell Canada, Northern Telecom, Bell Northern Research, Bellcore, US Sprint and MCI. With this background, Mr. White then rejoined Alberta Government Telephone (AGT) and Stentor, where he was responsible for technical development of leading edge business and residential broadband services.

He is currently with Telus, which arose from the merger of BC Tel and AGT. In that role he has been Technology Officer on the largest project Telus has ever undertaken. He is currently responsible for technical support to Business and Service Implementation teams on their newly developed toll-free product. This includes operational support, system enhancements, regression testing, related customer support and the development of desktop tools to support code and report management. It seems clear that Mr. White represents one of our modern engineers who not only stays abreast by continuing education, but then leads, by example, the development of worldwide communication systems. Definitely an engineer for this brave new world.

Mr. White at the same time has been very active in CSEM as Secretary of the Board of Directors and a Director himself. He is also Treasurer and Communications Manager for the Edmonton Chapter of CSEM, using his skills in communication for broader purposes to help the constituent society, and thereby the EIC.

Ladies and Gentlemen and Mr. President, I present as a new Fellow of the EIC - Mr. Lorne White