



The Engineering Institute of Canada 2018 Award Citation – EIC Fellow



Rob Kenyon

Nominated by the Canadian Geotechnical Society

Dr. Rob Kenyon is a senior engineer who has formed and led his team of younger engineers in many geotechnical projects that added to the safety and well-being of Manitobans and other Canadians. Appointed Manager of Geotechnical Engineering for KGS Group in 2001, he developed a wide range of capabilities applied to roads, bridges, railways and airports; dams and water treatment structures; slope stabilization; foundations; and modern terrain analysis. Especially valuable has been his contributions to emergency geotechnical engineering for infrastructure and natural events that need immediate attention, especially flood events. Increasingly, Rob is involved with forensic engineering and service as an expert witness.

Rob Kenyon is the 'go to' person when things go wrong – things like flooding, a highway bridge that fails and cuts access to a town, or a hillside threatening a railway line. Emergencies need a cool head, lots of experience, an extensive list of contacts, knowledge of how to get things done, and an ability to deal with owners, management, government, and the public. He has great ability for developing fast responses that ease emergencies, all of which must be done without the time-consuming studies needed in more routine projects.

Ladies & gentlemen, and Mr. President, please welcome Rob Kenyon as a Fellow of the Engineering Institute of Canada.