John Grefford - nominated by IEEE Canada

After spending the early years of his career with National Defense Canada, Levesque Beaubien Geoffrion and the National Bank of Canada, John Grefford joined CRO Engineering in Ottawa where he is a Principal Engineer. John's work at CRO has encompassed the development of business plans for public and private corporations, technical and managerial training, development and delivery of strategies for projects and operations plans, and the development of standards, policies, proposals and implementation procedures and plans for organizational-wide projects.

John Grefford is an exceptional leader and manager. He possesses the ability to think strategically and adapt to changing needs and demands. Much of his work at CRO Engineering is in the area of strategic management, assisting clients with unique solutions to organizational problems. He is self-motivated, resourceful, reliable, highly committed, and takes pride in his accomplishments.

These traits of the man were so well demonstrated in his two and half years as the volunteer chair of the EIC Conference on Climate Change Technology 2006 and as co-Chair of the CCECE 2006, an IEEE conference, that preceded it. Both conferences were overwhelming successes, due in no small measure to the leadership, dedication and hard work of John Grefford.

Tonight we have the opportunity to salute this dedicated engineer.

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