Robert Andrews is a Professor in the University of Toronto’s Department of Civil Engineering and holds an NSERC Industrial Research Chair in Drinking Water Research. He founded the Drinking Water Research Group at the UofT in 1998. Robert is recognized internationally as an expert in drinking water treatment and is a member of numerous decision-making committees and advisory councils in Canada and the United States. His involvement with municipalities as research partners has allowed him to solve real-world problems and have a direct impact on the safety of Canada’s drinking water supply.

Robert Andrews is a past co-recipient of the NSERC Synergy Award for University-Industry Partnerships and was the 2007 recipient of the Ontario Water Works Association’s Norman Howard Award for dedication and leadership in the water treatment industry. That same year he received the Department of Civil Engineering’s Award of Excellence in both Research and Teaching, and in 2009, in recognition of distinguished service to the water supply field, Robert received the George Warren Fuller Award from the OWWA.

For these many accomplishments in the development of Canada, we are pleased to honour Robert Andrews at this time.

Ladies and gentlemen, and Mr. President, as the Recipient of the Julian C. Smith Medal, please welcome Robert Andrews.