

Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists
of the
Province of Manitoba

Outstanding Service Award

to

Allan D. Silk

B.Sc. (Computer), P.Eng.

Allan Silk became registered with this Association on 11 April 1988. He has been a registered professional member for 19 years. Allan graduated from the University of Manitoba with a B.Sc. in Computer Engineering in May 1985. He also holds a Diploma in Computer Technology from Red River Community College, dated June 1982. Allan was elected to the University of Manitoba Computer Engineering Curriculum Committee in 1983.

Allan has been a member of APEGM's Council for five years (2001 – 2006) and was elected President for the year 2005. He has been a member of the Executive/Finance Committee for three years; the Admissions Board for five years; the Experience Review Committee for ten years (Chair 1997-2001); the Nominating Committee for a total of seven years (Chair in 2006); the Past President's Committee since 2006 (two years); and the CTTAM-APEGM Joint Board for the past six years. This totals 38 Committee years of service.

After graduation in 1985 Allan worked for Cirlog Corporation in Winnipeg as a Design Engineer. He then worked for the Microelectronics Centre of Manitoba as a Design Engineer/Project Leader before starting his career with Manitoba Hydro in 1988 where he has worked for the past 22 years. Allan realized his progression within the organization would be limited without adding to his skill set, so he enrolled in additional courses at the U of M in electrical engineering. He was well on his way towards a Master's Degree before the pleasant interruption of his scholastic career by the arrival of his first born. Allan worked his way through the ranks from Process Control System Software Specialist to his current position as Integrated Network Performance Engineer. He leads a group within the organization that is responsible for providing all the high voltage alternating current operating procedures. They are responsible for creating computer models of the Eastern Interconnection Power Grid that spans the area east of the Rocky Mountains to the Atlantic Ocean and South to the Mexican border, with the exception of Texas.

Allan's professional affiliations include: Member of the Midwest Independent Systems Operators (MISO), Mid-Continent Area Power Pool (MAPP); and Manitoba Hydro Professional Engineers Association (Chair of the P.D. Committee 1997-2002). Allan has also spent many volunteer hours at St. Georges Anglican Church.

The Association is extremely grateful to Allan Silk for the service he has rendered over the years, especially for his involvement with inter-provincial mobility and the relationship between APEGM and Manitoba Architects Association, and feels he is a most deserving recipient of the Outstanding Service Award.

26 October 2007

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