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**BC Geoscientist, George R. Cavey, P.Ge., Receives 2010 Canadian Professional Geoscientist Award.**

Vancouver — Geoscientists Canada is pleased to announce the recipient of the 2010 Canadian Professional Geoscientist Award – George R. Cavey, P.Ge. of Vancouver, British Columbia.

The Canadian Professional Geoscientist Award is given to recognize the achievements of an individual, who has made an outstanding contribution to the development and practice of professional geoscience and who has advanced public recognition of the profession in Canada in his or her capacity as a registered professional geoscientist.

To be eligible for the award a nominee must meet a number of specified criteria, which include: a solid career as a professional geoscientist, an outstanding record of voluntary service to the community, and service to Geoscientists Canada or to one of the provincial or territorial professional associations that regulate geoscience in Canada.

The Award, which consists of a labradorite and marble sculpture made by a Canadian geoscientist artist, is given to a person in mid-to-late career.

This year's recipient, Mr. George R. Cavey, P.Ge. is an accomplished and respected professional with over 30 years of experience in mineral exploration. He is the founder and President of OreQuest Consultants Ltd. a firm that has completed and evaluated exploration projects throughout the Americas, in Africa and in Europe, and which has provided services to numerous publically listed companies in Canada and overseas. Mr. Cavey obtained his B.Sc. degree in Geology from University of British Columbia in 1976.

Beyond his technical achievements, Mr. Cavey became personally dedicated to giving back to his profession— dedication that has earned him the respect and recognition of colleagues, peers and clients in his home province as well as both nationally and internationally.

Mr. Cavey was an instrumental member of the Task Force to Register Professional Geoscientists in BC from 1989-1990. He went on in 1991 to serve as a founding member of APEGBC's Geoscience Committee, then on Council and on the association's Investigation Committee, where he served until 2009. Following the successful integration of geoscientists into APEGBC, he became President of Geoscientists Canada (formerly Canadian Council of Professional Geoscientists) from 2003-2004. He also served his sector extensively, assisting the Canadian Securities Administrators as a member of the Mining, Technical, Advisory and Mentoring Committee, leading up to and following the introduction of National Instrument 43-101.

In announcing the award the President of Geoscientists Canada, James Moors, P.Ge., stated "As a BC-based geologist, I have known George Cavey for many years and I think it is very fitting that the Geoscientists Canada judges chose George as this year's award recipient. George has put an enormous amount of effort into our profession and into raising the bar of professionalism in geoscience, both at the local and national level, for many many years"

The citation for the 2010 award, which will be presented to Mr. Cavey at a later date, will read as follows: *“Presented to George R. Cavey, P.Ge., 'in recognition of outstanding volunteerism to the geoscience profession, its professional organizations and the exploration sector.”*

Nominations for this award are considered annually, although the award will not necessarily be presented each year. Further details on the award criteria and nominations process can be obtained from the Geoscientists Canada website at [www.ccpq.ca](http://www.ccpq.ca).

The mission of Geoscientists Canada is to develop consistent high standards for licensure and practice of geoscience, to facilitate national and international professional mobility, and to promote recognition of Canadian geoscientists.

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