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CEMF and Vale announce recipients of esteemed 2012 Vale Undergraduate Engineering Scholarships

(Renfrew, Ontario): Vale and CEMF are passionate about promoting engineering to women and supporting the leaders of tomorrow. Together, they are proud to announce that three accomplished young women have been chosen as ambassadors for Vale, CEMF and the engineering profession from across Canada.

Carleton University student Caleigh Rutledge, University of Toronto student Hanna Janossy, and Queen's University student Lindsey Taylor, are this year's recipients of the \$10,000 Vale Undergraduate Engineering Scholarships. The three \$10,000 scholarships are awarded annually to the most promising women in an accredited undergraduate engineering program in Canada with an interest in the mining or metallurgical fields.

Along with financial support, Vale offers its scholarship recipients an opportunity to work within their organization in summer job placements across Canada.

Caleigh Rutledge is currently studying environmental engineering at Carleton University and holds the title of senior editor of *The Iron Times*, the official newspaper of the Carleton Student Engineering Society (CSES). Through CSES, Caleigh also participates in a high school orientation program where she promotes engineering at Carleton to high school students. She is the co-founder of *Generation Green*, an initiative to develop environmental awareness and practices within the school.

Hanna Janossy attends the University of Toronto where she is studying Industrial engineering. Hanna is currently co-president with her sister Lea, for University of Toronto's Women in Science and Engineer (WISE) chapter. Together they took the chapter to new heights by increasing the five annual events to weekly activities and moving from an average budget of \$800 over the past 10 years, to \$15,000 this year. The University of Toronto's WISE chapter has now grown to 25 member executive team leading 500 female students.

Lindsey Taylor is a mining engineering student at Queens University. She has a passion for this field of engineering, and says, "Mining encompasses a whole range of disciplines, has a sustainable focus, and is essential for modern day industry." Lindsey's long-term goals include training to be part of the Mine Rescue team. Her work and volunteer experience are extensive, including being a swim instructor with both handicapped and inner-city children.

As one of CEMF's founding partners over two decades ago, Vale is an integral contributor to education initiatives and advocacy for women in engineering.

"Our values define us as a company that does what is right, works together, and makes things happen. Vale's support of CEMF through scholarship funding and job opportunities helps us bring our values to life. We are extremely proud to support these women on their endeavors as ambassadors to the engineering community and allow them an opportunity to work in the mining industry with a company that prides itself on investing in the future of engineers," says Michael Gripe, Director of Workforce Planning and Talent Acquisition for Vale.

Since 1990, CEMF has been promoting engineering as a career choice for young Canadian women through its extensive scholarship program, a website that attracts thousands of new visitors a month, social media programming, and scholarship winner presentations to high school students.

"All three women are exceptional in their volunteerism and their dedication to engineering profession. Whether expanding their university's engineering society, spearheading outreach groups to encourage youth to participate in engineering, these women exemplify the definition of leadership," says Huntley O'Connor, CEMF president.

Caleigh, Hanna and Lindsey will receive their scholarship certificates at the CEMF annual Awards Ceremony held in Niagara Falls in a celebration sponsored by Vale including a luncheon hosted by Engineers Canada as part of its AGM. The ceremony will take place this June.

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For more information or for interviews with any of the scholarship recipients, please contact CEMF at 1-866-883-2363, info@cemf.ca, www.cemf.ca. Backgrounder Attached