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Local Engineering Student Wins Prestigious National Scholarship

Erin Cullen of London, Ontario, a student at the **University of Western Ontario**, has been selected as the top engineering student in mining and metallurgical engineering across Canada for 2007.

The Canadian Engineering Memorial Foundation (CEMF) and CVRD Inco Limited are proud to announce Ms. Cullen has won the \$10,000 CVRD Inco Limited Masters Scholarship in Engineering.

Currently studying Civil and Environmental Engineering at UWO, Ms. Cullen was selected from across Canada for the CVRD Inco Limited scholarship at the Master's level, designed to encourage more women to study mining and metallurgical engineering or a related engineering discipline.

The scholarship is awarded to an outstanding Canadian woman in engineering who has proven to be a leader and role model through her extracurricular activities and volunteerism.

“Erin is a remarkable person – among her numerous achievements she has served as a mentor to other students through a Big Sister program and an online chat system at Western, volunteered at a home for the elderly, sat as a student trustee on her local school board and has received the Queen’s Jubilee Medal for volunteerism,” says Suzelle Barrington, CEMF President.

“CVRD Inco and the Canadian Engineering Memorial Foundation are proud to present her with this well-deserved scholarship, and we have every confidence that she will continue to succeed in her future endeavours.”

CEMF was founded in 1990 to develop scholarship and award programs that encourage women to choose engineering as a career to honour the memory of the 14 women at École Polytechnique whose contributions to Canada ended on December 6, 1989.

CVRD Inco partnered with CEMF to offer this scholarship, which also comes with a summer job opportunity, in an effort to promote engineering as a career to women in Canada. CVRD Inco and the Canadian Engineering Memorial Foundation extend their sincere congratulations to Ms. Cullen, who will be formally presented with her award at the CEMF Awards Luncheon being held in Winnipeg, Manitoba on May 25, 2007.

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