Eco-Tec Chairman, Dr. Phillip (Rocky) Simmons to Receive 2007 LeSueur Memorial Award

January 12, 2007, Pickering, Ontario – The Canadian Section of the Society of Chemical Industry will honor Dr. Phillip (Rocky) Simmons with the Ernest A. LeSueur Memorial award on March 1, 2007 in Toronto.

The LeSueur Award is given for developing technical excellence with a benefit to Canada in a chemical-based industry. In addition, the award recipient must have a strong Canadian connection. Dr. Simmons, Chairman of Eco-Tec Inc., was the instrumental force behind the development of an enhanced ion-exchange technology, named Recoflo®. Since 1970, he has lead further development and the launch of Eco-Tec’s innovative products worldwide. Today, Dr. Simmons is Eco-Tec’s leader in market development, introducing Eco-Tec’s innovations to emerging economies such as China, Mexico, and India.

According to Graham Knowles, SCI’s Awards Chair, Dr. Simmons “drove the commercialization of this [technology] to fill an international market niche, creating in the process a Canadian technology-based business with a European subsidiary. It leads internationally in the development of purification and recovery systems, based on a suite of separation technologies. Eco-Tec’s reach is very broad, supplying water treatment systems to many manufacturing industries and chemical recovery systems to many companies in the resource sector.”

Dr. Simmons is President, CEO and Director of Eco-Tec Limited, and Chairman of Eco-Tec Inc., located in Pickering, Ontario. He is highly active in supporting and advising various institutions of higher learning, such as being seated on the Board of Governors’ of Durham College and University of Ontario Institute of Technology and on the Board of Advisors of the Chemical Engineering and Applied Chemistry Department at the University of Toronto.

About Eco-Tec (www.eco-tec.com)

Eco-Tec Inc. is a globally recognized manufacturer of water purification and chemical recovery systems for industrial operations. Eco-Tec provides proven integrated technologies based on its proprietary advanced ion exchange process, Recoflo®, that offers significant cost reduction and superior process efficiency. Eco-Tec has provided more than 1500 systems in over 52 countries, and is represented in all major markets.

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