

Association of Professional Engineers
of the
Province of Manitoba

Merit Award

to

JAMES STEWART HICKS

B.Sc. E.E., P.Eng.

Immediately after graduation from the University of Manitoba in 1948, Jim Hicks worked in the Transmission Engineering Department of the Manitoba Telephone System. In 1954 he joined the Electrical Inspection Branch of the City of Winnipeg Engineering Department. He has been involved in the inspection field since 1954 through two municipal government reorganizations (the Metropolitan Corporation of Greater Winnipeg in 1961 and the new Unified City of Winnipeg in 1972). In 1962 he became assistant manager of the Building Inspection Division. In 1967 he was promoted to manager of the Building Inspection Division and in 1975 he was promoted to the position of Deputy Director of Environmental Planning with the prime responsibility for the operation of the Building Inspection Division, a position which he held with dedication and integrity till his retirement in 1987.

During his career Jim has been extremely committed to the development of codes and standards. He was a member of the Part 1, Canadian Electrical Code Committee for approximately 19 years from 1954-73. He was a member and Chairman of a number of Canadian Standards Association Electrical Code sub-committees. Jim was also a member of the Associate Committee of the National Building Code of Canada from 1970-85, a member of the Fire Council of Underwriters Laboratories of Canada, Past-President of the Canadian Section International Association of Electrical Inspectors and Chairman of the Winnipeg Building Commission for the past 20 years. He is presently a member of the Standing Committee on Farm Buildings; a member of the Manitoba Building Standards Board which is responsible for the development of the Manitoba Building Code; a member of the Manitoba Fire Advisory Committee which is responsible for the development of the Manitoba Fire Code and Chairman of the Standing Committee on Housing and Small Buildings for the Manitoba Building Code.

Jim has been active in a number of community activities over the years including being a member of the Patriotic Salvage Corps and president for one year, Past-President of the University of Manitoba Alumni Association, a member of the Board of Stewards of Westworth United Church, Past-President of Sir John Franklin Curling Club and Member of the Advisory Board of Marymound School.

Jim and his wife Dona have three children, two sons Brian and Robert, and a daughter Dona Lynn.

In awarding Jim Hicks the A.P.E.M. Merit Award the Association acknowledges his significant contributions as an engineer and an outstanding member of the community.

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