

November 18, 2024

Michael Wrinch  
President  
Engineers Canada  
via email: [president@engineerscanada.ca](mailto:president@engineerscanada.ca)

Dear Michael,

**Re: Futures of Engineering Accreditation Path Forward Report decision-making**

The Canadian Engineering Accreditation Board (CEAB) appreciates and benefits from support of the engineering community including direction from Engineers Canada Board and the provincial and territorial regulators. Moreover, the CEAB is in favour of moving ahead with a modernized accreditation system and recognize efforts to date by all interest holders surrounding the Futures of Engineering Accreditation Project (FEA) to realize this goal.

The CEAB is aware that the Engineers Canada Board wishes to make an informed decision regarding next steps on the overall project. We are strongly supportive of achieving this common goal and would like to have the opportunity to provide counsel regarding the FEA Path Forward Report.

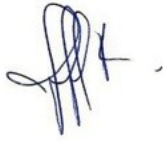
The CEAB received the Report on November 1 but have not yet had an opportunity to analyze it. However, based on the September 2024 FEA project presentation of the Report recommendations to the CEAB at our regular meeting, the CEAB members identified concerns with the practical implementation of some items. We therefore are requesting the Engineers Canada Board defer making any binding decisions regarding next steps until we are able to make a reasoned response. This request is in alignment with Engineers Canada Board policy [6.9.1 CEAB Terms of Reference](#) which notes that “[t]he CEAB produces information needed for the Board to make decisions on matters relating to engineering education both in Canada and in other countries...” and that the CEAB is requested to “[r]eview on a regular basis the criteria, policies, and procedures for evaluating engineering programs for accreditation or substantial equivalency purposes.”

To allow opportunity for all CEAB members to read, digest and form opinions on the Report, we anticipate being able to meet and discuss these issues at our February 2025 meeting. Subsequently, we would like to submit a summative response to the Engineers Canada Board in March 2025.

Therefore, the CEAB respectfully requests that the Engineers Canada Board consider our input prior to making any binding decisions. The CEAB appreciates the opportunity to participate in this process and trust that our feedback and thoughts will be beneficial to the

Engineers Canada Board in its decision-making. Together we can have a positive impact on the future of accreditation in Canada.

Respectfully yours,

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