



GROUND EFFECTS

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC.

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REGINA COMPANY NAMED “BEST OF THE BEST”

(Regina) Ground Effects Environmental Services Inc. (GEE) was recently recognized with two major awards at the 23rd Annual Canadian Advanced Technology Alliance (CATA) Innovation Awards in Ottawa.

GEE’s President, Sean Frisky, received the 3M Canada Award for Excellence in Emerging Technology and the Northern Light Award as the “Best of the Best” for the entire award gala.

The Regina company was recognized for its latest innovation in cleaning up soil and ground water—the EK3 Electrokinetic Remediation System. EK3 uses electrokinetics—or direct electrical current technology—to clean up salt and heavy metals from contaminated sites with minimal environmental impact. Currently, GEE is the only company in the world who is able to remediate salt contamination on site in a cost effective and commercially viable way.

“Our entire company is excited when we receive awards like this,” comments Frisky. “It’s a confirmation that our innovative ways and unique problem-solving approach is being noticed nationwide...Salt contamination is a billion dollar problem in Alberta alone, so the implementation of our EK3 technology to solve big problems is wide open.”

The CATA Awards recognize the nation’s most promising entrepreneurs and innovators. It’s a celebration of standout companies that give Canada its collaborative edge.

“Saskatchewan companies have long proven they are leaders in developing cutting edge technology and this award to GEE by CATA puts us firmly on the advanced technology map,” Enterprise and Innovation Minister Lyle Stewart said. “We are happy to support research and development in innovative technologies as they contribute to expansion of our knowledge economy.”

“Entrepreneurship and innovation are cornerstones of Western Economic Diversification Canada’s mandate, which encourages the diversification of the western economy,” said the Honourable Rona Ambrose, President of the Queen’s Privy Council for Canada, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, and Minister of Western Economic Diversification. “The Government of Canada is proud to have worked with Ground Effects Environmental Services and congratulates them on their technological and innovative accomplishments.”

The GEE EK3 technology was developed with funding support provided by federal and provincial governments under Western Economic Partnership Agreement (WEPA) and administered through Communities of Tomorrow (CT) research and development partnership.

Regina-based Ground Effects Environmental Services Inc. (GEE) designs and manufactures remediation equipment for cleaning up contaminated soil, ground water and air, onsite.

Since 1998, GEE has developed more than 70 groundbreaking technologies and several patents to clean up soil, air and ground water contamination in hundreds of sites across Canada, the United States and internationally. The company has earned other numerous awards, including a National Research Council Canadian Innovation Leader award in 2007 and three Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year finalist distinctions since 2005.

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