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Petroleum Services Sector Raises Over \$50,000 to Foster Careers in the Oil and Gas Industry

(Calgary, AB) — The Petroleum Services Association of Canada (PSAC) today announced its annual Education Fund Golf Classic tournament raised just over \$50,000 thanks to generosity of oilpatch employees and their guests as well of the numerous sponsors who took to the fairways in Calgary yesterday.

The annual tournament is the primary fundraiser for the PSAC Education Fund which was established in 2001 to promote the awareness of careers in the petroleum services sector and to create a labour pool for the upstream petroleum services sector. Since 2001, the Fund has awarded over \$200,000 in scholarships and grants to deserving recipients.

“It was a fantastic day,” says Mark Salkeld, president and CEO of PSAC. “This tournament is an example of industry coming together in support of a great cause, and the scholarships we award are a benefit to both students pursuing post-secondary education and the petroleum services sector.” Mr. Salkeld added, “Attracting talent is an on-going challenge for PSAC Members, and the Education Fund is one amongst many initiatives that we have undertaken to provide solutions to the labour shortage.”

Highlights of the tournament, which took place at the Calgary Elks Lodge and Golf Club included cheque presentations to Meghan Kruger, a University of Calgary student affiliated with Tenaris Global Services (Canada) Inc., and Laurie Taskinen, a University of Alberta student affiliated with Snubco Pressure Control Ltd., who were each awarded a \$1,000 PSAC Regular Member scholarship.

Other 2013 PSAC Regular Member scholarship recipients include: Nicole Bulan, a Seneca College student, affiliated with Halliburton Group Canada; Connie Ho, a University of Alberta student affiliated with Stream-Flo Industries Ltd.; and Patricia Sanchez, a University of Lethbridge student affiliated with Precision Drilling Corporation.

Additionally, the 2013 PSAC Roger Soucy Legacy Scholarship Funded by KPMG, in the amount \$2,500, was awarded to Ryan Kearns, a Portage College power engineering student affiliated with Sanjel Corporation from Lac La Biche, Alberta. This award is given to a student who demonstrates academic achievement and commitment to community while pursuing a post-secondary education in a petroleum-related or trades-related program.

The PSAC Education Fund also provides financial support to PSAC scholarship programs for students enrolled in petroleum services related programs at Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT) in Edmonton; the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (SAIT) in Calgary; Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science & Technology (SIASST) in Saskatoon; Keyano College in Fort McMurray, and Northern Lights College at various campuses throughout northeastern BC.

The Petroleum Services Association of Canada is the national trade association representing the service, supply and manufacturing sectors within the upstream petroleum industry. PSAC represents a diverse range of over 250 member companies, employing more than 80,000 people and contracting almost exclusively to oil and gas exploration and production companies.

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