



DIVISION OF STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS

Joint Division of APEGBC and IStructE

Representing Professional Structural Engineers of British Columbia



2006-2007 ANNUAL REPORT – Thor A. Tandy P. Eng, MStructE, Struct.Eng.

The past year for DSE has been successful on a number of issues. Various items have at last been successfully concluded and these are outlined in the body of the report.

SEABC: Thanks to Dave Davey P.Eng, the formation of SEABC has made considerable progress, and the establishment now only awaits final acceptance by the three bodies. It is conceivable that we will have it concluded by the end of the year.

Seismic Issues of Part 9: This initiative has been revised into a general design guide for Part 9 buildings. The guidelines have now been reviewed and accepted by the Board and APEGBC, and are now in the final editing. They will be issued following a last review by APEGBC.

Structural Checking Guidelines: Some issues still require review, but we expect to have completion within the year.

Jim Warne DSE Scholarship in Civil Engineering: This scholarship continues to be awarded annually.

Guardrails: This issue has been simmering for some time now and the Board has now convened a sub-committee to review the issues and develop a practice strategy or guideline for submission to the membership.

IStructE/DSE Joint Division: In May of this year only David Harvey P.Eng was able to attend the Annual Conference of IStructE in London UK both as 2006/2007 President and our representative. David will give us a brief report later in the AGM.

NWCSEA (Northwest Council of Structural Engineering Associations) & **WCSEA** (Western Council of Structural Engineering Associations). The association with these organizations has continued extremely well, with good representation at the annual conferences by Board members. This year, Thro Tandy P.Eng attended the conference in Seattle hosted by the State of Washington. The WCSEA is looking to return to BC for its Council meeting in 2010.

Newsletter and Website: The newsletter format is now established and popular. The website also continues to be updated. Members are encouraged to use both for sources of information, comment and participation in our Division.

Financial: The DSE is in good financial health, so that we will be able to maintain IStructE, WCSEA, NWCSEA, and scholarship fund commitments without impact on membership fees. Further, good stewardship of our finances has resulted in good standing for effective contribution to SEABC. We have, however, decide to leave off membership with NCSEA until SEABC is up and running

AGM Sessions Topics: This year we have tried to vary the content of the sessions. We have succeeded in having enough topics for two days and we have also managed to attract enough topics for a day on bridge engineering.

Forums: Not much seems to have happened this year with the email list although there have been several flurries over guardrails.

General: The Chair extends thanks to all Board Members who contributed their time to keeping DSE vital and I look forward to the final amalgamation into SEABC.

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