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Women in Mining Vancouver Branch Congratulates Award Winners

Vancouver, BC . - Women in Mining, Vancouver branch, would like to congratulate the winners of The Minerva Foundation for BC Women's 2010, "Women in Natural Resources" awards for excellence, leadership and philanthropy:

- Our very own Barbara Caelles, who started WIM Vancouver, awarded for philanthropy and volunteerism
- Lyn Anglin, President and CEO of Geoscience BC, for community leadership and excellence in natural resources
- Eira Thomas, Stornoway Diamonds, for leadership in diamond exploration and development industry and for her commitment to advancing the industry in Canada

We would like to express special gratitude to The Minerva Foundation for BC Women for providing this opportunity to recognize the accomplishments of women working in the natural resources industry. The Minerva Foundation for BC Women 2010 marks the fifth year of Women In, Minerva's annual luncheon to celebrate and honour women for their excellence in leadership and philanthropy in a chosen field, December 1, 2010 at the Four Season Hotel, Vancouver. Visit Minerva online to find out more information: www.theminervafoundation.com/

We would also like to thank the Women in Mining volunteers who brought attention to this award to the industry and who facilitated the nominations.

This year has been a year of accomplishments for Women in Mining (Vancouver Branch), we could not have asked for a better way to close an exceptional 2010:

- The CIM Women in Mining Forum and Reception in May
- Top fundraising Corporate Team at the Vancouver Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation CIBC *Run for the Cure*
- The honour and recognition of Barbara Caelles, founder of Women in Mining (Vancouver Branch)

The Women in Mining network is an informal organization connecting women involved in or affiliated with the mining resources sector. Our primary goal is to provide an opportunity for people to share their knowledge and experiences leading to the growth of diverse new relationships and mentorship opportunities. WIM also focuses on encouraging both men and women from industry to participate in the broader community by raising funds for breast cancer research, promoting Career Prep for high school students and taking part in networking evenings for university students. For more information about Women in Mining, please visit our website: <http://www.amebc.ca/wim-vancouver>