

news release

**QUESTAIR TECHNOLOGIES INC RECEIVES 2002 CANADIAN INSTITUTE
OF ENERGY RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT AWARD**

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BURNABY, BC – QuestAir Technologies Inc. is pleased to announce that it has been awarded the 2002 Energy Research and Development Award by the Canadian Institute of Energy (B.C.). The Energy Research and Development Award recognizes the efforts of B.C.-based firms that are conducting leading-edge research into energy technology. The evaluative criteria considered in this award include the degree of innovation, commercial market potential, environmental benefits, as well as the indirect benefits (such as productivity increases and product quality improvements) resulting from the research.

Jonathan Wilkinson, President and CEO of QuestAir, said: “QuestAir is honoured to receive this award from the Canadian Institute of Energy (B.C.). It is a recognition by our peers of the groundbreaking progress that QuestAir has made in the development of fast-cycle pressure swing adsorption (“PSA”) technology for the purification of hydrogen and other gases. QuestAir’s PSA technology offers a unique value proposition in the emerging hydrogen economy, boosting the efficiency of fuel cell systems, and providing a compact purification solution for hydrogen fueling stations”.

Timo Makinen, Energy Awards Chair of the Canadian Institute of Energy (B.C.) said: “We are extremely pleased to present this year’s Research and Development award to QuestAir. The recent investment by Shell Hydrogen in QuestAir is a testament to the value of QuestAir’s technology across a broad range of markets. We are pleased to see that cutting-edge technology such as QuestAir’s continues to be developed in B.C., and we look forward to seeing QuestAir continue to bring its advanced products to market.”

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About QuestAir Technologies Inc.

QuestAir Technologies, Inc. has developed proprietary gas purification technology that is being applied to several large existing and emerging world markets, including industrial hydrogen production and stationary and automotive fuel cells. QuestAir's proprietary fast-cycle pressure swing adsorption ("PSA") technology allows the developers of fuel cell systems to increase the efficiency of their products, and offers a compact, cost effective gas purification solution to QuestAir's industrial customers and developers of hydrogen fueling infrastructure. QuestAir is a private company based in Burnaby, British Columbia whose shareholders and strategic partners include Shell Hydrogen, Ballard Power Systems and the BOC Group.

About The Canadian Institute of Energy (B.C.)

The Canadian Institute of Energy (B.C.) (www.cienergy.org) is a broadly based, non-profit organization open to those involved in all aspects of the energy industry. The objectives of the B.C. Division are to provide a British Columbia perspective on energy technology, business and policy; to encourage energy research, education and dissemination of topical information; and to provide an unbiased forum for discussion and debate of energy-related issues. Membership at both the organizational and individual level is comprised of representatives of B.C. energy companies, consulting and service firms related to the energy industry and government and regulatory agencies.

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