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Frank MacInnis, 1971 LLB, is the Chairman and CEO of Connecticut-based EMCOR Group, Inc., the world's largest specialty construction and facilities services company, and is a veteran of more than 30 years in the international construction and facilities industry.

A native of Camrose, Mr. MacInnis attended U of A from 1963-1971, during which time he was active in student affairs, serving as law representative on Students' Council and as Class Historian for the 1971 Convocation. After five years of commercial law practice with the Liden, Ackroyd firm in Edmonton, he began his construction career in Tehran, Iran as an officer of Paris-based Spie Batignolles S.A. The following years included postings and construction operations in such diverse locations as Baghdad, Bangkok, the United Arab Emirates, and London, England. Mr. MacInnis moved to Oklahoma from London in 1981, when he was named Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of H.C. Price Construction, a continent-wide builder of large diameter oil and gas pipelines. From a base in Oklahoma and later in Dallas, Texas, Mr. MacInnis participated in the construction of some of the premier oil and gas development projects in history. During this period he also founded a pioneering company in the new field of horizontal directional drilling.

After serving for several years as the Chairman of Comstock Group, Inc., a New York-based construction group, Mr. MacInnis joined JWP, Inc. in early 1994 and successfully managed its reorganization. Today, EMCOR Group, Inc., the successor company to JWP, is a Fortune 500 firm with more than 30,000 employees worldwide, fourteen years of consistent profits and 2008 revenues of nearly $7 billion (U.S.). EMCOR has been named numerous times by Forbes Magazine as one of "America's Most Admired Companies".

Mr. MacInnis also serves as a member of the Board of Directors of The Williams Companies, ITT Corporation, and the Greater New York Chapter of the March of Dimes.

Although his career has taken him far away from his Alberta roots, Mr. MacInnis has maintained his links to his birthplace and to his "alma mater". His business success has enabled him and his wife Beverley (1974 B.Ed.) to "give back" to both. For nearly 20 years, the University has annually awarded the Adele MacInnis Memorial Leadership Scholarships, named for Mr. MacInnis’ mother, to freshmen students from rural Alberta. In 2004 Mr. MacInnis was a guest lecturer at the University of Alberta Law School on the topic “Lawyers in Business” and in 2005 he and Beverley announced a major gift to the Law School –- $2.5 million for the development of the MacInnis Centre, including the construction of “smart classrooms” incorporating modern information technology and permitting the consolidation of classes previously scattered across the campus.

With the completion of the MacInnis Centre, Frank and Beverley turned their attention to Camrose, where the MacInnis Family Foundation has recently announced its sponsorship of the Bailey Theatre Restoration Project, for the reconstruction of the century-old theatre as part of the revitalization of downtown Camrose. The MacInnis Family Foundation support includes a multi-million dollar combination of an outright grant and matching funds that have enabled restoration work to commence with completion and opening of a modern performing arts facility within the restored historical building scheduled for early 2010.

Mr. MacInnis lives in Westport, Connecticut with his wife Beverley and two Scotties; their four children have flown.