Minister of International Trade

Awards for International Commerce



Minister Emerson and London Trade Commissioner Janet Farmer with her award.

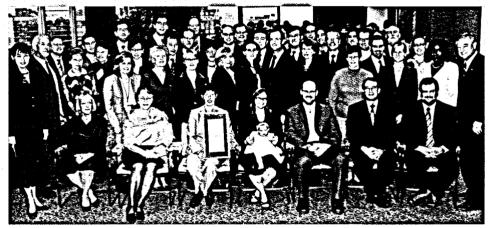
On October 23, the Honourable David Emerson, Minister of International Trade, hosted an awards ceremony to recognize winners of the 2006 Minister of International Trade Award (MINT Award). The awards are meant to recognize outstanding service to the Canadian business community.

The MINT Award for group excellence was given to the 2006 Softwood Lumber Team for their negotiation of a softwood lumber deal with the United States. The exemplary work

of three other teams—the Global Commerce Strategy Team, Team Andino, and the World Trade Organization Ministerial Conference Team—was also recognized.

Janet Farmer, Trade Commissioner at the High Commission in London (UK), won the MINT Award for individual excellence for tirelessly promoting and defending Canada's trade policy objectives in the agriculture, food and fisheries portfolios. Again, three honourable mentions were made—namely Peter Liao, Trade Commissioner in Chongqing, China, and Guy Ladequis and François Gauthé, Trade Commissioners at the Embassy of Canada in France.

Deputy Minister (International Trade) Marie-Lucie Morin and Minister Emerson both reiterated their appreciation for the hard work of these teams and individuals, who exemplify the fine work being performed throughout the organization in pursuit of excellence in service delivery to Canadian businesses.



Minister of International Trade David Emerson and Deputy Minister Marie-Lucie Morin proudly pose with members of the 2006 Softwood Lumber team.

Long Service Awards

This year's Long Service Awards Ceremony was held on November 30, 2007, in the Skelton Lobby. The ceremony recognized employees who have contributed either 25 or 35 years to the federal public service. Deputy Ministers Len Edwards and Marie-Lucie Morin were on hand to congratulate the recipients. The ceremony was followed by a small reception, which provided an opportunity for recipients and their colleagues, friends and family members to mingle.



Deputy Ministers Len Edwards and Marie-Lucie Morin with the recipients of this year's Long Service Awards (in alphabetical order): Janet Andison-Stewart, Sylvie Blais, Peter Boehm, John Bonar, Daryl Copeland, Marie Demers, Julie Gauthier, Pierre Giroux, Monique Guertin, Sheila Johnson, Melissa Shepard Legault, Louise Léger, Yvon Levesque, Randolph Mank, George McKeever, Cynthía Modjeski, Robbie Morrison, Martial Pagé, David Plunkett, Flavio Pollarolo, Darquise Rochon, Michael Small, Danielle Thibault, Claire Tourigny. Absent from photo: Daryl Dods, Lynn Keeler, Mike Newcombe, Mike Robertson, David Sorensen.