

News Release

MEDEC appoints Peter Robertson as Chair of the MEDEC Board of Directors

(TORONTO, May 31, 2012) - MEDEC, Canada's Medical Technology Companies, today welcomed Peter Robertson as Chair of the MEDEC Board of Directors. Peter Robertson is Vice President and General Manager of GE Healthcare Canada.

"We are very pleased to select Peter Robertson to the position of Chair," said Brian Lewis, President and CEO, MEDEC. "Peter is a visionary and with his years of experience in the industry and his passion for continuous improvement of Canada's healthcare system, Peter is the right person to take on this role and to take MEDEC to the next level."

"My goal is to strengthen MEDEC's voice and leadership position as a trusted advisor, an indispensable negotiating partner and a key thought leader to our stakeholders," said Peter Robertson. "If we want to build a strong healthcare economy in Canada, we need to proactively collaborate and innovate with government to ensure we secure a sustainable healthcare system for the future."

Peter Robertson follows the successful two-and-a-half year tenure of James Wilson, President of Brancorth Medical. At GE Healthcare, Peter is responsible for growing GE Healthcare's footprint across Canada by offering transformational medical technologies and services that are shaping a new age of patient care. Peter joined GE Healthcare in 1985 as the National Sales Manager and advanced through a series of senior roles in sales, marketing and operations. He became General Manager, Diagnostic Imaging in September 2006, and assumed his current position in May 2008.

Peter's passion for improving the effectiveness and delivery of Canada's healthcare system extends to his community involvement. Peter serves as the vice chair of the board of directors for the Centre for Probe Development and Commercialization at McMaster University and as a board member with the Centre for Imaging Technology Commercialization (CIImTeC). Peter also provides his leadership on GE Canada's Board of Directors and as a member of the management board for MaRS' Excellence in Clinical Innovation and Technology Evaluation ("EXCITE") program. Finally, Peter serves as a Corporate Advisory Council member of the Canadian College of Health Leaders.

Brian Lewis, President and CEO, MEDEC took the opportunity today to welcome Peter as Chair at MEDEC's 39th Annual General Meeting and thanked James Wilson for his excellent service as Chair of the Association.

About MEDEC

MEDEC (www.medec.org) is the national association representing the medical technology industry in Canada. Our members are committed to providing safe and innovative medical technologies that enhance patient care and advance patient outcomes. The medical technology industry in Canada employs over 35,000 Canadians in close to 1,500 corporate facilities, and has sales of nearly \$7 billion per annum. We are committed to ensuring that Canada has a strong and vibrant medical technology industry.

About GE Healthcare

GE Healthcare provides transformational medical technologies and services that are shaping a new age of patient care. Our broad expertise in medical imaging and information technologies, medical diagnostics, patient monitoring systems, drug discovery, biopharmaceutical manufacturing technologies, performance improvement and performance solutions services help our customers to deliver better care to more people around the world at a lower cost. In addition, we partner with healthcare leaders, striving to leverage the global policy change necessary to implement a successful shift to sustainable healthcare systems.

Our "healthymagination" vision for the future invites the world to join us on our journey as we continuously develop innovations focused on reducing costs, increasing access and improving quality around the world. Headquartered in the United Kingdom, GE Healthcare is a unit of General Electric Company (NYSE: GE). Worldwide, GE Healthcare employees are committed to serving healthcare professionals and their patients in more than 100 countries. For more information about GE Healthcare, visit our website at www.gehealthcare.com.