

## **TAC Partners with Canadian College** **-Pilot Project for New Accreditation Model-**

A Canadian college has agreed to participate in a pilot project for Technology Accreditation Canada (TAC), a new organization established by Technology Professionals Canada (TPC). TPC is a partnership of provincial technology associations in British Columbia (ASTTBC), Alberta (ASET), Ontario (OACETT) and Saskatchewan (SASTT) which together represent approximately 85 per cent of the technology profession in Canada.

TAC is excited to be moving ahead with this important next step in the advancement of a world class national accreditation model for the technology profession.

*“We are looking forward to working with this college on the pilot project. The college will submit the required paperwork in the spring and our first inspection visit is expected this summer when we will meet with key college personnel as well as graduating students, alumni and industry advisors,” said Barbara Chappell, TAC Executive Director.*

In the meantime, TAC continues to raise awareness about the benefits that its enhanced national accreditation model will bring to the technology profession. A corporate logo has been created and a website is under development and expected to launch in February or March.

The establishment of TAC by TPC was in direct response to findings made by the Canadian Standards Association (CSA) after performing a comprehensive, independent review of technology accreditation practices that existed at the time measured against best practices from other jurisdictions and sectors.

TAC is committed to assuming a leadership position in the delivery of an improved, efficient and effective national accreditation model, using trained, specialized auditors, maintaining an uncompromising degree of quality control and assurance, and rigorously applying national technology standards.