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By email to WFEO: executivedirector@wfeo.net

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Dear Director General,

Support for Declaration of World Engineering Day for Climate Change Action and Sustainability

On behalf of the members of the Commonwealth Engineers Council (CEC) I am writing to indicate the strong support of our organisation for the Declaration of 4th March of each year as World Engineering Day for Climate Change Action and Sustainability.

CEC is a global professional body for all engineers of the Commonwealth representing 45 engineering institutions in 44 countries across five continents, and its aim is to advance the science, art and practice of engineering for the benefit of mankind.

If declared, our organisation commits to celebrating World Engineering Day with a wide range of activities that promote the role of engineering in taking action on climate change and improving sustainability. Promotion of these activities will improve recognition of the importance of engineering to society and the economy.

These activities will form an important part of our work to encourage take-up of Science, Technology and Maths (STEM) subjects amongst young people with a view to increasing the number of people choosing engineering as a career.

If we are to tackle the skills shortage in the Commonwealth, and to improve productivity in the Commonwealth in a sustainable manner, it is critical that we highlight the diverse and interesting range of careers on offer in engineering.

We anticipate that our activities will reach and have an impact on several million people across the Commonwealth and globally.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read 'Paul Jowitt', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Paul Jowitt
President, Commonwealth Engineers Council