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Cristina Amon, Dean

MEMORANDUM

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To: Members of the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering

From: Cristina Amon, Dean

Date: April 12, 2019

Re: Appointment of Chair, Edward S. Rogers Sr. Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Professor Deepa Kundur as Chair of the Edward S. Rogers Sr. Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering for a five-year term beginning July 1, 2019.

Professor Deepa Kundur first joined the Edward S. Rogers Sr. Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering in 1999 as an Assistant Professor. After taking a position at Texas A&M University in 2003, she returned to the University of Toronto in 2012, joining as a Full Professor. She is a triple alumna of the Department. Professor Kundur held the position of Associate Chair, Division of Engineering Science from 2014 – 2016, and has served as Chair, Division of Engineering Science since 2017, where she spearheaded the creation of the first engineering major in Machine Intelligence in Canada, and oversaw a significant expansion of international research opportunities for students.

Deepa is a fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), and the Canadian Academy of Engineering (CAE). Her research interests lie at the interface of cybersecurity, signal processing and complex dynamical systems. She has co-authored over 200 refereed journal and conference papers and has given numerous scholarly and keynote addresses. Her research has received best paper recognitions at venues including the 2015 IEEE Smart Grid Communications Conference, the 2015 IEEE Electrical Power and Energy Conference, the 2012 IEEE Canadian Conference on Electrical & Computer Engineering, the 2011 Cyber Security and Information Intelligence Research Workshop and the 2008 IEEE INFOCOM Workshop on Mission Critical Networks. She has also been the recipient of teaching awards at both the University of Toronto and Texas A&M University.

Please join me in congratulating Deepa on this appointment and wishing her a rewarding journey.

I extend my deep appreciation to the following members of the Advisory Committee in this search for their time and thoughtful input:

Tony Chan Carusone, Professor, Edward S. Rogers Sr. Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Margaret Cheng, Assistant Professor, Institute for Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering, and Edward S. Rogers Sr. Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

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Charmaine Williams, Professor and Acting Vice Dean Students, School of Graduate Studies

On behalf of the Faculty, I extend warm thanks to Professor Farid Najm for his dedication and leadership of the Department over the past 10 years. Farid's tireless efforts to ensure the effective and efficient management of the Faculty's largest Department are exemplary and very much appreciated by colleagues within the Department and across the Faculty.