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### **Carmen Wiebe, Langley Interior Designer, Earns North American Interior Design Credential**

Langley, BC—Carmen Wiebe, an interior designer with architectural firm site lines architecture in Fort Langley, recently passed the National Council for Interior Design Qualification (NCIDQ) Examination and earned the prestigious NCIDQ Certificate.

Passage of the Examination and earning the NCIDQ credential signifies that Wiebe has met the standards for education, experience and examination for interior designers in North America. A minimum of six years of combined education and experience is required before being eligible to take the practice-based Examination. The NCIDQ Examination is a rigorous, three-part examination requiring examinees to demonstrate competence in a wide variety of aspects that affect the safety of the interior environment. The Examination covers programming, schematic design, design development, contract documents, contract administration and professional practice, among many other related topics such as codes, sustainability and universal design.

"NCIDQ has long been the standard to identify those interior designers who are uniquely qualified to protect the public's health, safety and welfare," explains Kimberly Marks, 2010 NCIDQ President. "The NCIDQ Certificate is the mark of a professional, and this credential is what every user of a space should look for when choosing or working with an interior designer."

Wiebe graduated with honours from the British Columbia Institute of Technology, earning her Senior Management & Management Certificates of Interior Design and has worked in the interior design field for six years so far. In her current position with site lines architecture, Wiebe heads up the interior design department, working alongside the architect to offer clients the unique advantages offered by the integrated design process. She enjoys working through the challenges that arise with a wide variety of projects in terms of style, size, budget and location. She has been exposed to a diverse range of projects due to site lines' experience in many building types including commercial & industrial, institutional, multi-family residential as well as single family residential. Additionally, site lines' membership with the Canadian Green Building Council has given Wiebe many opportunities to practice environmentally responsible design.

"It has been a pleasure to watch Carmen realize such a highly esteemed goal in her field. Encouraging our staff towards excellence in the design industry is just one way through which site lines strives to offer the best possible experience and service to our clients," states Gord Klassen, principal at site lines architecture inc.

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NCIDQ is an organization of regulatory boards and provincial associations in the United States and Canada whose core purpose is to protect the health, life safety and welfare of the public by establishing standards of competence in the practice of interior design. More information about the organization may be found at [www.ncidq.org](http://www.ncidq.org).