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**CANADA'S LEADING FEMALE INDIGENOUS ENTREPRENEUR – NAMED 2022 RBC CANADIAN WOMEN AWARD OF EXCELLENCE.**

**Toronto, Ontario, November 23, 2022** – Bouchier is proud to announce that Nicole Bourque-Bouchier has been named 2022 RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Award of Excellence. The Excellence Award is dedicated to a female CEO and entrepreneur that has managed a successful business for more than 10 years with a proven track record of growth, profitability, and industry leadership.

The RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards are the pre-eminent national business awards recognizing the country's leading female entrepreneurs. From a pool of thousands of nominees, 21 Finalists from coast to coast, Nicole is honored to have been selected among such diverse top talent.

"I am absolutely humbled to receive this recognition and be among such an esteemed group of female leaders," says Nicole Bourque-Bouchier, CEO, and co-owner of Bouchier. "This recognition demonstrates the power of staying true to your purpose and being passionate and devoted to making an impact on people's lives. I hope this award inspires all women to be brave, have purpose, work hard, and follow through on your ideas."

Bouchier is 100% Indigenous-owned company, Canada's leading Indigenous employer and the one of the country's leaders in industrial construction and site services. The company employs more than 1,000 people with 45% self-identified as Indigenous, with a fleet of 400+ and an unprecedented safety record in their field.

The RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards, in its 30<sup>th</sup> year, recognizes women business owners from across Canada who make impressive and substantial contributions to the local, Canadian, or global economy. These awards recognize businesswomen and leaders of non-profits from three major regions across Canada: East, Central, and West. All nominees were required to submit thorough applications, which are reviewed and judged by a panel of prominent business leaders and subject to due diligence performed by KPMG.

**About the RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards**

The RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards are the pre-eminent national business awards recognizing the country's leading female entrepreneurs. The awards are an initiative of Women of Influence, an award-winning organization dedicated to advancing women globally.

**About Women of Influence Worldwide Inc.**

Women of Influence, now in its 28th year, is one of North America's leading organizations offering solutions for workplace gender equality and women's advancement. Through our global events, digital media, signature awards, and consulting, Women of Influence reaches a diverse community of



professional women and men across Canada and internationally. Providing insights and inspiration, perspectives on key issues, and creating opportunities to connect — we are making change happen for women, today. Our signature programs include the Top 25 Women of Influence Awards and the RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards. For more information, please visit [www.womenofinfluence.com](http://www.womenofinfluence.com)

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