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ALEXANDRIA, Va. – The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) welcomes new members to the AGI Executive Committee and congratulates Dr. Rodney C. Ewing as he takes office as AGI President. The new and departing members of the Executive Committee were recognized at the Friends of AGI Reception on November 5, 2018, in Indianapolis, Ind.

AGI welcomes the following members to their new roles on the Executive Committee:

- Dr. Carolyn G. Olson (*U.S. Geological Survey, emerita*) – President Elect
- Ms. Anna Shaughnessy (*Earth Resources Laboratory, MIT, retired*) – Secretary
- Dr. Susan M. Sullivan (*Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences (CIRES)*) – Member at Large
- Dr. Paul Weimer (*University of Colorado, Boulder*) – Member at Large

The new AGI President, Dr. Rod Ewing, is the Frank Stanton Professor in Nuclear Security and Co-Director of the Center for International Security and Cooperation in the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, and a Professor in the Department of Geological Sciences at Stanford University. He has written extensively on issues related to nuclear waste and is a co-editor of *Radioactive Waste Forms for the Future* (1988) and *Uncertainty Underground – Yucca Mountain and the Nation's High-Level Nuclear Waste* (2006). From 2012 to 2017, he was Chair of the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board. He is a member of the National Academy of Engineering, a Founding Editor of the magazine *Elements*, and a past president of the Mineralogical Society of America and the International Union of Materials Research Societies.

The new AGI President Elect, Dr. Carolyn G. Olson, previously served as Member at Large from 2016 to 2018. Dr. Paul Weimer will serve as Member at Large for one year, completing the remainder of Olson's three-year term.

Finally, AGI thanks its departing members for their dedication to AGI and its mission:

- Dr. Jean M. Bahr (*University of Wisconsin, Madison*) – Past President
- Ms. Keri A. Nutter (*DOWL*) – Secretary
- Dr. Diane R. Smith (*Trinity University*) – Member at Large

Read the biographies of the new 2018-19 Executive Committee [here](#).

About AGI

The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) is a nonprofit federation of 52 scientific and professional associations that represents more than a quarter-million geoscientists. Founded in 1948, AGI provides geoscientists with access to scholarly information, serves as a voice of shared interests in the profession, plays a major role in strengthening geoscience education, and strives to increase public awareness of the vital role the geosciences play in society's use of resources, resiliency to natural hazards, and health of the environment.

AGI is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to serving the geoscience community and addressing the needs of society. AGI headquarters are in Alexandria, Virginia.

The American Geosciences Institute represents and serves the geoscience community by providing collaborative leadership and information to connect Earth, science, and people.

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CORRECTION: The original version of this press release sent earlier today, November 26, 2018, included incorrect titles and affiliations for incoming and outgoing Executive Committee members and excluded the names of one outgoing and one incoming member. We regret these errors. The corrected press release is included below.

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