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## AGI Announces new Executive Committee Officers

Alexandria, VA – The American Geological Institute (AGI) welcomes three new officers: Richard M. Powers, President-Elect, William Barkhouse, Secretary, and Donald L. Sparks, Member-at-Large.

Richard Powers is President and Chief Executive Officer of BCI Engineers & Scientists, Inc.. He served as 2003 AIPG President and is currently AGI's Member-at-Large and International Year of Planet Earth representative.

William Barkhouse spent 30 years with ExxonMobil in various technical and management positions. He currently serves as the Society of Exploration Geophysicists Foundation Vice Chair.

Donald L. Sparks is Chair of the University of Delaware's Plant and Soil Sciences Department. Sparks serves as an AGI Foundation Trustee and is the past President of the Soil Science Society.

The new members of the AGI Executive Committee will be installed during the Geological Society of America Annual Meeting in Houston, Texas on October 7, 2008.

The American Geological Institute is a nonprofit federation of 45 geoscientific and professional associations that represents more than 120,000 geologists, geophysicists and other earth scientists. Founded in 1948, AGI provides information services to geoscientists, 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 interaction with the environment.

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