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SPRI Nominates Howell as President for 2009-2010 Term

Waltham, MA, February 2009 — SPRI's nominating committee has chosen George Howell as president for the 2009-2010 term. SPRI members elected Howell at the association's 27th Annual Conference and Business Meeting, held January 16-18 at the Sandpearl Resort in Clearwater Beach, FL. SPRI represents sheet membrane and component suppliers to the commercial roofing industry.

Howell is market segment manager at Spartech, a worldwide leader in the supply of specialty compounds for the roofing and plastics industry. He has been a member of SPRI for several years and has served on various SPRI committees.

Howell said, "It is truly an honor to serve as president of SPRI. SPRI is doing many important things in the roofing industry and I am glad to be associated with such an outstanding organization."

The nominating committee also elected Al Janni as president-elect of SPRI. Janni is engineering services manager at Duro-Last Inc., a roof membrane manufacturer headquartered in Saginaw, MI. He has been a member of SPRI for several years and has served on various SPRI committees, as well as serving as secretary-treasurer.

Mark DeFreitas, chair of SPRI's Nominating Committee and immediate past president, also proposed the following slate of officers and directors for the association's 2009-2010 membership year:

Secretary/Treasurer	Shawn Stanley, IB Roof Systems
2-Year Director (Assoc.)	Stan Choiniere, OMG Roofing Products
2-Year Director (Assoc.)	André Desjarlais, Oak Ridge National Lab.
2-Year Director (Assoc.)	Reinhard Schneider, G-P Gypsum

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