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### **Roodvoets Awarded SPRI Honorary Membership**

Waltham, MA, March 2009—David L. Roodvoets has been named an honorary member of SPRI, the association representing sheet membrane and component suppliers to the commercial roofing industry. Roodvoets served as SPRI's technical director from 1995 to 2006.

"I am humbled by this tribute," said Roodvoets upon becoming an honorary member of SPRI. "Participating in the development of the association's guides and standards broadened my knowledge of the industry, and the guides and consensus standards helped speed the introduction of key roofing technologies. SPRI has served the roofing industry well; it is a privilege to be given this honor."

Roodvoets, who began his association with SPRI soon after the group's formation in 1983, said that SPRI "brought together a diverse group of people with independent agendas and focused them on improving the roofing industry. This has led to the development of white papers, magazine articles, installation guides and consensus standards that have resulted in improved performance for roofing systems."

In fact, Roodvoets himself worked on the committee that developed the landmark SPRI RP-4 document on ballasted roofing systems. He was also active on SPRI's technical committee and several other subcommittees before becoming technical director.

After retiring from SPRI in 2006, Roodvoets has served as an independent consultant. He also worked closely with incoming Technical Director Mike Ennis to ensure a smooth transition upon his retirement.

Roodvoets is past Chairman of RICOWI (Roof Industry Committee on Weather Issues) and has served on the Cool Roof Rating Council's board of directors. Previously, he was employed as an Associate Development Scientist for the Dow Chemical Company and Technical Director for the T. Clear Corporation.

During his years in the roofing industry, Roodvoets has been involved with research on all facets of roofing systems. He has worked with major research institutions and conducted extensive wind tunnel testing of roofing systems. Recently he has worked on developing fire & wind standards for vegetative roofs, ventilation requirements for attics and cathedral ceilings and hurricane investigations by RICOWI.

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