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SPRI Elects Larson as President for 2006-2007 Term

Waltham, MA, February 2006-- At SPRI's 24th Annual Conference and Business Meeting, held in Naples, FL, Members elected Paul Larson as President for the 2006-2007 term.

SPRI is a leading trade association representing suppliers of flexible sheet membranes and a wide variety of other components used in commercial roofing systems. Delegates from these member companies work together through SPRI on a broad range of projects, such as code issues and development of standards that benefit the roofing community as a whole.

Larson is also the Commercial Roofing Market Manager for ITW Buildex in Itasca, IL.

Larson has been an active participant in SPRI and has led several subcommittees over the past 10 years. This will be his third term on the board of directors where he has previously served as Treasurer. "I am proud to serve as President of this organization, and expect SPRI to continue to dynamically address future industry needs," said Larson.

"As the commercial roofing industry's broadest trade organization, SPRI continues to affect positive change with initiatives such as the Edge Metal and Insulation Adhesive Pull Test Standards, in addition to the thermal effects of ballast research that is being completed," he explained.

Among other issues, the organization is working to establish guidelines for self-adhered (peel & stick) membranes, tracking and participating in ongoing developments in the reflective roofing arena, developing a test procedure for fasteners in treated lumber, and the determination of a need for a peel stop in adhered applications.

Larson's term of office runs until SPRI's next Annual Conference, scheduled for January, 2007.

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