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SPRI Elects Rubenacker as President for 2016-2018 Term

Waltham, MA, February 2016 — SPRI, the trade association representing sheet membrane and component suppliers to the commercial roofing industry, has selected Jim Rubenacker as President for the 2016-2018 term. SPRI's members elected Rubenacker at the association's 34th Annual Conference and Business Meeting, held Jan. 15-17 in Tucson, AZ.

Rubenacker currently serves as Vice President, Customer Operations of Sika Sarnafil in Canton, MA. As a charter member of SPRI, Rubenacker has chaired several committees and served on the SPRI Executive Committee as Treasurer and President-elect.

"I am genuinely honored to enter such a role at SPRI, and I look forward to working with each and every one of our 66 member companies to expand SPRI's reach and influence" says Rubenacker.

During the meeting, SPRI's membership also elected the following slate of officers and Directors for the association's 2016-2018 membership years:

President	Jim Rubenacker, Sika Sarnafil
President-elect	Zebonie Sukle, Johns Manville
Treasurer	John Greko, Carlisle Construction Materials Incorporated

Associate Directors

Peter Garrigus, TruFast (second term)
Bob Reel, Royal Adhesives (second term)
Larry Hilovsky, SFS Inc.
CJ Sharp, Georgia-Pacific

SPRI honors volunteers

Each year, SPRI honors those volunteers who have gone above-and-beyond in devoting their time and talents to the association. Nominations for these honorees are solicited from the membership and the Member Services Chair, and the President of SPRI makes the selections.

Steve Moskowitz of Dow Chemical Co., one of the longest serving members of SPRI, began his service on the SPRI Board in 2002. Moskowitz was a key to the development and success of the Technical Service Managers workshops. He has served as Treasurer, Membership Committee Chair, President-elect, and President in 2005/2006.

Second honoree was Joe Schwetz of Sika Sarnafil. Schwetz was honored for his work on behalf of SPRI at ASHRAE meetings and his participation in the AIR program at SIGDERS (Special Interest Group for Dynamic Evaluation of Roofing Systems), which has been a significant benefit to SPRI.

SPRI veteran Joe Malpezzi of Carlisle Construction Materials Incorporated was presented with SPRI's new *President's Award* this year. This award was created to recognize the exemplary service of a volunteer. During more than 20 years at SPRI, Malpezzi has always been one of the first to volunteer to lead a task force, prepare and review documents or just lend a hand when something needs to be done. During these days when everyone is overworked and stressed, Malpezzi has continued to step forward lending a hand and being a quiet, yet effective leader.

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