

GEI Consultant's Dr. Steve Poulos Named Honorary Member of BSCES

BOSTON, Mass., -- June 12, 2008 – GEI Consultants, Inc., one of the nation's leading geotechnical, environmental, water resources, and ecological engineering firms, announced today that founder Dr. Steve Poulos, PE, PhD has been named an Honorary Member of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section (BSCES). Alexander Chajes, PE, PhD, of the University of Massachusetts Amherst, was also chosen as an Honorary Member at this year's event.



Dr. Poulos, a registered professional civil engineer specializing in soil and rock mechanics and geohydrology, is a principal of GEI Consultants which he founded in 1970 with partners Dr. Ronald C. Hirschfeld, Dr. Daniel P. LaGatta and Richard F. Murdock. Throughout his career, he has managed over 800 projects covering all aspects of geotechnical engineering design and he is a recognized expert in dam engineering.

At the 160th Annual Awards Dinner of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section/ASCE (BSCES) held on June 10, 2008 in Boston, Linda Hager, P.E., president of BSCES, recognized Dr. Poulos' contributions to geotechnical engineering. Hager said, "In 1971, he introduced the concept of steady state deformation into the field of geotechnical engineering, which focuses on understanding the shape of the stress-strain curve from zero strain to the very large strains required in the field and in the laboratory to reach the steady state strength." Dr. Poulos has been instrumental in applying this concept to practice, particularly to analyzing the impact of earthquakes on dams. The concept of the steady-state condition remains powerfully relevant.

Dr. Poulos currently serves on a national panel for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to evaluate the condition of dams most in need of remediation. As a result of the recommendations by the panel, extensive exploration, design, and construction are underway.

About the BSCES

Established in 1848, the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section/American Society of Civil Engineers (BSCES) is the oldest professional engineering association in the country. BSCES has over 3,000 members ranging from college students to retired professionals. The society plans events and activities for civil engineers and other design professionals, along with students and the public. BSCES is the local

section of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE). Founded in 1852, ASCE represents more than 130,000 civil engineers worldwide and is America's oldest national engineering society.

About GEI Consultants, Inc.

GEI's multi-disciplined engineers and scientists deliver geotechnical, environmental, integrated water resources, dam engineering, and ecological solutions to diverse clientele nationwide and locally. The firm has provided a broad range of consulting and engineering services on over 25,000 projects in 50 states and 22 countries. For more information, please visit www.geiconsultants.com.

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