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STI/SPFA ELECTED NEW BOARD MEMBERS & APPOINTED OFFICERS

Lake Zurich, IL – February 13, 2009 – Members of the Steel Tank Institute and Steel Plate Fabricators Association reelected members to its Board of Directors to fulfill terms and replaced a director who stepped down from the Board at its recent 2009 Annual Winter Meeting held in Marco Island, FL.

Charles Frey, Jr. of Highland Tank & Manufacturing Co. and Ron Houston of J.L. Houston Co. were reelected to second, three-year terms by members of STI/SPFA. Jon Ward of Ward Tank and Heat Exchanger Corp. was elected to a three-year term to replace director, Mike Kilkenny, of Taylor Forge Engineered Systems, Inc.

Chuck Travelstead of Brown-Minneapolis Tank Co. was elected to an additional one-year term as President of the Board. Ron Houston of J.L. Houston Co. was elected Treasurer and Sonny Underwood of Mid-South Steel Products, Inc. was appointed Chairman of the Board. Tim Woofter of Stanwade Metal Products, Inc. was elected Vice Chairman to serve a one-year term.

STI/SPFA is an association serving companies that fabricate steel tanks, pipe, and pressure vessels for use in the petroleum, food, water and chemical processing industries. In addition to serving fabricators of steel tanks, pipe and pressure vessels, STI/SPFA provides certification and training courses for steel tank and pipe, performs quality assurance inspections, develops industry standards and specifications, produces safety manuals, and serves as a liaison to regulatory and code authorities.

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