

NIA Announces New 2015–2016 Board of Directors and Executive Committee

San Antonio—March 26, 2015—The National Insulation Association (NIA) is pleased to announce its officers for 2015–2016. The officers will be led by NIA's new President, J. Kenneth Freeman. The new slate of officers and representatives assumed their positions following a unanimous vote by the NIA membership during NIA's Business Session, which took place on March 26, 2015, at NIA's 60th Annual Convention in San Antonio, Texas.

J. Kenneth Freeman is President and Co-owner of Petrin Corp., an industrial insulation, painting, heat tracing, and scaffolding company located in Port Allen, Louisiana, with branch offices in El Dorado, Arkansas; West Monroe, Louisiana; and LaPorte, Texas. A full-line distributor and fabricator of insulation materials, Petrin Corp. also manufactures and sells removable insulation covers. Mr. Freeman has decades of experience in the insulation industry and has been involved with NIA for many years through numerous leadership positions and committee membership. In addition, he has held a variety of leadership positions in many insulation-related associations and groups.

During his term as President, Mr. Freeman plans to focus on promoting the global benefits of thermal insulation. His term will conclude at NIA's 61st Annual Convention and World Insulation and Acoustic Congress (WIACO) at the Boca Raton Resort and Club in Boca Raton, Florida, from April 20–23, 2016.

The 2015-2016 Executive Committee

- President: J. Kenneth Freeman, Petrin Corp.
- President-Elect: Steve Luse, Luse Thermal Technologies
- Secretary/Treasurer: Darrel Bailey, Performance Contracting, Inc.
- Assistant Treasurer: Dan Bofinger, Winroc-SPI
- Immediate Past President: David Dzina, Selle Insulation Co./PBI Supply

Past President Advisors

- P. Thomas Fraatz
- Ronald King

Regional Board Representatives

- Jim Gribbins, Gribbins Insulation Company, Inc., representing the Central States Insulation Association (CSIA)
- Joe Leo, Atlantic Contracting & Specialties, LLC, representing the Eastern States Insulation Contractors Association (ESICA)

- Jeffrey DeGraaf, Industrial Construction & Engineering, representing the Midwest Insulation Contractors Association (MICA)
- Matt Caldwell, Caldwell Insulation, Inc., representing the Southeastern Insulation Contractors Association (SEICA)
- J. David Gottlich, Brace Integrated Services, representing the Southwest Insulation Contractors Association (SWICA)
- Tim Stout, Hudson Bay Insulation Company, representing the Western Insulation Contractors Association (WICA)

At-Large Representatives

- Mike Bedford, Shook & Fletcher Insulation Co.
- Mark Duppler, Bay Industries, Inc.
- John Lamberton, Irex Contracting Group
- Ed Mahoney, Regal Insulation
- Mark Reed, Zampell Companies
- Dana Vlk, Distribution International, Inc.

Associate Representatives

- Doug Bolen, Knauf Insulation
- Dave Cox, Owens Corning

Michele M. Jones, NIA Executive Vice President/CEO, and General Counsel Gary Auman, Dunlevey, Mahan & Furry, will be advising and counseling the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors.

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NIA is a not-for-profit trade association representing both merit (open shop) and union contractors, distributors, laminators, fabricators, and manufacturers that provide thermal insulation, insulation accessories, and components to the commercial, mechanical, and industrial markets throughout the nation. Since 1953, the northern Virginia-based association has been the voice of the insulation industry and is dedicated to keeping the commercial and industrial insulation industry up to date on the latest industry trends and technologies. For more information, visit www.insulation.org.