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EIGHT NEW MEMBERS JOIN BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ARLINGTON, VA — The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety announces that eight new members are joining the Institute's Board of Directors.

The new members include Douglas S. Joyce, president, Alfa Virginia Mutual Insurance; Mory Katz, chief executive officer, Response Insurance; Michael LaRocco, president & chief operating officer, SAFECO Personal Insurance; Don McCubbin, executive vice president, Shelter Insurance; W. Neal Menefee, president, Rockingham Group; and Gregory V. Ostergren, chairman, president, and chief executive officer, American National Property & Casualty Companies.

In addition, two people were elected to fill the positions of retiring members: Jonathan Bennett, senior vice president, Personal Lines Division, The Hartford; and Stan Smith, executive vice president, Property/Casualty Operations, Farmers Insurance Group of Companies.

The Board voted to expand its membership in 2002. The number of Board members increases from a maximum of 28 to a maximum of 36 in 2003.

"We expanded the Board to allow more of our member companies to participate in the Institute's work," says Institute president Brian O'Neill. "These new members are a great addition to our outstanding Board of Directors."

The new members will serve a three year term ending December 31, 2005.

The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety is an independent, nonprofit, research and communications organization dedicated to reducing the losses — deaths, injuries, and property damage — from crashes on the nation's highways. The Institute is wholly supported by automobile insurers.

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