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**Date:** 23 August 2016  
**To:** File  
**From:** Assistant Director for Geosciences *Roger W. ...*  
**Subject:** Demographics of the Atmosphere Section COV

The integrity of the COV mechanism rests, in a large measure, on the selection of credible, independent experts who are able to provide balanced and impartial assessments to NSF.

The COV represented a broad segment of the atmospheric science community involved in observational, theoretical, laboratory, and modeling research. The committee contained expertise in climate dynamics, physical meteorology, atmospheric chemistry, synoptic-scale and mesoscale phenomena, and paleoclimate. This diverse committee included four females, two minority participants (Hispanic American and African American), and representation from geographically diverse regions.

Dr. Kimberly Prather and Dr. Anantha Aiyyer served as Co-chairs of the COV. They will provide a report on the findings and recommendations of the COV panel for the October 2016 AC-GEO meeting.

COV members were not allowed access to any jackets with which they had a conflict.

COV members present during the meeting were:

Dr. Anantha Aiyyer, North Carolina State University  
Dr. Caspar Amman, National Center for Atmospheric Research  
Dr. Yemane Asmerom, University of New Mexico  
Dr. Daniel Keyser, State University of New York at Albany  
Dr. C.-H. Moeng, National Center for Atmospheric Research  
Dr. Luisa Molina, Molina Center for Strategic Studies in Energy and the Environment  
Dr. Dev Niyogi, Purdue University  
Dr. Kimberly Prather, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California, San Diego  
Dr. Patricia Quinn, National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)/ Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory  
Dr. Paul Reasor, NOAA/Atlantic Oceanographic and Meteorological Laboratory  
Dr. Daniel Vimont, University of Wisconsin