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From: Assistant Director for Geosciences

Regarding: Selection of Marine Geosciences Section (MGS) and Ocean Section (OS) COV Members

The credibility of the COV mechanism rests, in 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 disciplines, consistent with the scope of activities for which the OCE Marine Geosciences and Oceans Sections have responsibility for. Representatives from Biological, Chemical, and Physical Oceanography as well as Marine Geology and Geophysics, in addition to individuals who classify themselves as between the ocean disciplines were selected.

Dr. Miguel Goni from Oregon State served as the Chair of the COV, and Dr. Steve Riser from the University of Washington served as the GEO Advisory Committee Representative. We hope both will report on the findings, although Dr. Goni's participation may be virtual.

All conflicts of interest between COV members and OCE Program staff were handled according to the NSF ethics rules.

COV Members:

\* Dr. Miguel Goni, Oregon State University  
Dr. Roger Buck, Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory  
Dr. Ellen Druffel, University of California, Irvine  
Dr. Keith Julien, University of Colorado, Boulder  
\*\*Dr. Emily Klein, Duke University  
Dr. Jeff Paduan, Naval Postgraduate School  
Dr. Tammi Richardson, University of South Carolina  
\*\*\*Dr. Steve Riser, University of Washington  
Dr. Su Sponaugle, Oregon State University  
Dr. Tish Yager, University of Georgia

\*COV Chair

\*\*Virtual Panelist

\*\*\*GEO AC member