

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Abshagen honored for service to NCEES**

Peggy Abshagen, of Newark, Delaware, has been awarded the NCEES Meritorious Service Award for her dedicated service to the engineering profession. NCEES recognized the 2010 award winners at its Annual Meeting, held August 18–21 in Denver.

Abshagen has been the executive director of the Delaware Association of Professional Engineers for 18 years. During this time, she has participated in a number of outreach activities. She initiated on-campus FE exam registration at the University of Delaware, thereby increasing the number of students starting on the path to licensure. She continues to organize and participate in annual licensure promotion presentations at the University of Delaware, the Delaware Department of Transportation, and the Delaware Technical and Community College.

Abshagen has served on at least one NCEES committee for each of the last 13 years. In 2009–10, she was chair of the Special Committee on Bylaws and a member of the Evaluation of Applications Task Force and the Credentials Evaluations Advisory Council. She served three terms each on the Advisory Committee on Council Activities, the Licensure Qualifications Oversight Group, and the Committee on Law Enforcement. She was also a member of the Examination Security and Licensure Promotion task forces and the Special Committee on Experience Evaluation for two terms each, as well as chair of the Committee on Member Board Administrators.

Abshagen planned and coordinated the 2001 Northeast Zone Interim Meeting in Wilmington, Delaware. After serving as the unofficial zone secretary for a number of years, she was elected Northeast Zone secretary-treasurer in 2009.

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