

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Smith honored for service to engineering profession**

L. (Larry) Robert Smith, P.E., of North Providence, Rhode Island, has been awarded the NCEES Distinguished Service Award with Special Commendation for his dedicated service to the engineering profession. In recognition of his receiving NCEES's highest award, Rhode Island Governor Donald Carcieri has issued a proclamation honoring Smith's contributions to the profession. Smith received these honors at the NCEES Annual Meeting, held August 18–21, 2010, in Denver.

Smith received the NCEES Distinguished Service Award in 2004. Since that time, he has continued to serve NCEES and the Rhode Island Board of Registration for Professional Engineers. Now completing his fourth term, Smith is the current board chair.

Since receiving the Distinguished Service Award, Smith has served as chair of the 2004–05 Committee on Examination Policy and Procedures, the 2005–07 Northeast Zone vice president, and the 2007–09 NCEES treasurer. He has also continued his work with the PE Civil exam development committee, recently completing 15 years of service. In 2009–10, Smith served as chair of the EPP Committee and as consultant to the Committee on Examination Audit.

Smith is chair of the University of Rhode Island Civil and Environmental Engineering Advisory Board and vice chair of the Roger Williams University Engineering Program Advisory Board. A Fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Smith is the senior section advisor for the Rhode Island section of ASCE. He is also a Fellow of the National Society of Professional Engineers and a past president of the Rhode Island Society of Professional Engineers and the Providence Engineering Society. Smith has served as moderator of the Rhode Island MathCounts competition for more than 25 years.

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