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WOMEN IN AEROSPACE ANNOUNCES OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Washington, D.C. -- Women in Aerospace (WIA) is pleased to announce the election of its 2012 board of directors and officers.

The 2012 WIA board leaders are:

- Chair of the Board: Lillian Ryals, The MITRE Corporation
- Vice Chair of the Board: Dianne Sosa, ATK

The newly elected board members are:

- Robert Burke, Northrop Grumman Corporation
- Tammy Cameron, The Boeing Company
- Susan Chodakewitz, Tetra Tech
- Giovanna M. Cinelli, Jones Day
- Stephanie Fraser, Metron Aviation
- Christina Frederick-Recascino, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
- Susan Saadat, Thrane & Thrane
- Barbara Slayton, Lockheed Martin Corporation
- Rebecca Spyke Keiser, Ph.D., NASA
- Judy Smith, ITT Exelis

"We are so excited to welcome these outstanding individuals to the WIA Board of Directors," said Sandy Coleman, ATK, and current Chair of the WIA Board. "They bring a wonderful mix of skills, abilities and accomplishments to our organization, and we know that WIA will be a stronger and better organization with their help."

The newly-elected directors join a solid and dedicated Board of Directors which includes: Lillian Z. Ryals, The MITRE Corporation; Dianne Sosa, ATK; Katherine Chambers, Booz Allen Hamilton; Rachel Guill, BAE Systems; Janet Karika, Jacobs Technology Inc.; William Klanke, Space News; Colleen Oresky, Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC); Mina V. Samii, Ph.D., Computer Sciences Corporation; Peggy Slye, Futron Corporation; Charlene Wheelless, Bechtel Corporation; Sandy Coleman, ATK Washington Operations ; and Samantha Segall Anderson, Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC).

The newly elected 2012 Officers are:

- President: Stephanie Schierholz, NASA
- President Elect: Renee Leduc Clarke, I.M. Systems Group
- Secretary: Noëlle C. Miliard, EADS North America
- Treasurer: Emma Hinds, The Tauri Group
- Vice President for Communications: Jennifer Hoil, Longbottom Communications

"Women in Aerospace is a critical voice in the field of science and technology and over the years, many women who have worked at NASA have played a leadership role in WIA," said NASA Deputy Administrator Lori Garver, a past president of WIA. "I'm delighted to see that continue with Stephanie and Rebecca. Congratulations to them and the other new members of WIA's leadership team."

The newly-elected WIA officers join the solid foundation of those serving their two-year terms: Vice President for Membership: Karen Yasumura, Intelsat General Corporation, Vice President for Professional Development Sara Fuentes, Navy League of the US and Vice President for Programs: Stephanie Bednarek, SpaceX.

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Women in Aerospace (WIA) is dedicated to expanding women's opportunities for leadership and increasing their visibility in the aerospace community. Its membership - women and men - shares an interest in a broad spectrum of aerospace issues including aviation, human space flight, remote sensing, robotic space exploration, satellite communications and the policy issues surrounding these fields. To learn more, visit: www.womeninaerospace.org