

August 8, 2011

University of Notre Dame  
Department of Civil Engineering and Geological Sciences  
156 Fitzpatrick Hall  
Notre Dame, IN 46556

Dr. Neal,

On behalf of Ocean Leadership, congratulations on being selected to serve as a 2011-2012 Distinguished Lecturer. We are pleased to have such an illustrious group representing the ocean drilling community this year.

The Distinguished Lecturer Series was established to bring the research results of the Integrated Ocean Drilling Program (IODP) to students at the undergraduate and graduate levels and to the geoscience community as a whole. We appreciate the time you will take to visit the following 9 universities and museums over the 2011-2012 academic year:

- Ball State University (Muncie, IN)
- California State University, Chico (Chico, CA)
- Exploration Place (Wichita, KS)
- Harvard University (Cambridge, MA)
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Cambridge, MA)
- Ohio University (Athens, OH)
- Ohio State University (Columbus, OH)
- University of California, Davis (Davis, CA)
- Utah State University (Logan, UT)

I look forward to working with you. Please don't hesitate to contact me whenever you have a question or concern.

Best Regards,



Charna Meth  
Associate Director, USSSP



#### MEMBERS

Bermuda Institute of Ocean Sciences  
Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences  
College of William and Mary  
Columbia University (Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory)  
East Carolina University  
Florida State University  
Florida Straits Consortium  
Gulf of Mexico Consortium  
Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institution  
Louisiana State University  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
Mississippi State University  
Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute  
Monterey Bay/Central California Consortium  
North Carolina State University  
Old Dominion University  
Oregon State University  
Pennsylvania State University  
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey  
Skidaway Institute of Oceanography  
South Carolina Marine Science Consortium  
Stanford University  
Stony Brook University  
Texas A&M University  
University of Alaska Fairbanks  
University of California, San Diego (Scripps)  
University of Connecticut  
University of Delaware  
University of Florida  
University of Hawaii  
University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science  
University of Massachusetts  
University of Miami  
University of Michigan  
University of Nebraska-Lincoln  
University of New Hampshire  
University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill/Duke Consortium  
University of North Carolina, Wilmington  
University of Rhode Island  
University of South Florida  
University of Southern California  
University of Southern Mississippi  
University of Texas at Austin  
University of Washington  
Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution

#### ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Alaska Ocean Observing System  
Aquarium of the Pacific  
Battelle  
CNA  
Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences  
Dalhousie University  
Earth2Ocean, Inc.  
Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute  
International SeaKeepers Society  
John G. Shedd Aquarium  
Johns Hopkins University  
Marine Advanced Technology Education Center  
Marine Technology Society  
Mid-Atlantic Coastal Ocean Observing Regional Association  
Mystic Aquarium  
National Aquarium in Baltimore  
National Federation of Regional Associations for Coastal and Ocean Observing  
NOAA Fisheries Service  
NOAA Great Lakes Environmental Research Laboratory  
NOAA National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science  
NOAA National Sea Grant College Program  
New England Aquarium  
Nobilis, Inc.  
North Pacific Research Board  
Ocean Technology Foundation  
Romberg Tiburon Center for Environmental Studies  
Savannah State University  
Southeastern Universities Research Association  
The Research Centers of the U.S. Geological Survey  
U.S. Arctic Research Commission  
University of Maine  
University of Victoria  
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Great Lakes WATER Institute

#### AFFILIATE MEMBERS

CARIS, USA  
Fugro  
L-3 MariPro, Inc.  
Lockheed Martin  
Science Applications International Corporation  
Teledyne RD Instruments