EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS

I. General Information
Meeting Type: General Business Meeting
Meeting Date: January 21 & 22, 2009
Meeting Location: Casa Monica Hotel
95 Cordova Street
St. Augustine, Florida 32084

Attendees:
Matthew Cain, Chair
James Harmon, Vice Chair
Donald F. McNeill
Tom Scott
Robert Poppell
James W. Pease
Jorge Caspary

Members Absent
Stuart W. Smith (excused)

Others Present
Richard Morrison, Executive Director, DBPR
Stacey Merchant, Government Analyst, DBPR
Barbara Edwards, Board Counsel

II. Major Issues/Actions
• The board reviewed eight applications by endorsement. They approved four applications and denied two. Two applications were denied by endorsement because the applicants did not pass the national examination. However, they were approved by examination, because they had all the necessary experience.
• The board reviewed eight applications by examination. They approved six of the applications and denied two.
• The board discussed the draft proposal to Rule 61G16-2.005 F.A.C., regarding updates to electronic signing and sealing of geological documents. The rule language was approved by the board. The board’s counsel was instructed to move forward with development of the amended rule. The board and board’s counsel agreed that the rule change would have no impact on small business.
• The board Chairman, Matthew Cain, appointed James Harmon as the active member of the Probable Cause Committee.
• Matthew Cain, elected as Chair and James Harmon was elected Vice Chair of the board for 2009.

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation
• NONE
IV. Action Required

- NONE

Richard Morrison
Executive Director