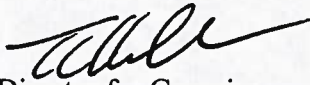# NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Directorate for Geosciences
Division of Atmospheric Sciences

Memorandum

Date: September 30, 2011

To: File

From: Assistant Director for Geosciences

Regarding: Selection of AGS Geospace Section COV

The credibility of the COV mechanism rests, in a large measure, on the selection of credible, independent experts who are able to provide balanced and impartial assessments to NSF.

The COV represented a broad segment of the disciplines consistent with the scope of activities for which the AGS/GS Section has oversight responsibilities. The committee contained expertise in Aeronomy data analysis and modeling, Magnetospheric Physics data analysis and modeling, Solar Physics data analysis and modeling, radar experiments and facilities, and CubeSat projects. This diverse committee included three females, one minority scientist, four individuals from other federal agencies, and three individuals who have not had AGS/GS support or submitted any AGS/GS proposals in the last five years. Dr. Daniel Baker, a member of AC/GEO, served as chair of the COV and will report the findings and recommendations of the COV panel to the Advisory Committee for Geosciences.

There were no conflicts of interest between any COV member and Program Officers in the section.

COV members present during the meeting were:

Dr. Daniel Baker, University of Colorado at Boulder, CHAIR and AC/GEO Member
Dr. Nicholas Arge, Air Force Research Laboratory
Dr. Jorge Chau, Cornell University
Dr. Christina Cohen, Caltech
Dr. Anthea Coster, MIT
Dr. Joseph Huba, Naval Research Laboratory
Dr. Miguel Larsen, Clemson University

Dr. Terrence Onsager, NOAA Space Weather Prediction Center
Dr. Larry Paxton, Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory
Dr. Joshua Semeter, Boston University
Dr. Michelle Thomson, Los Alamos National Laboratory