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## For Immediate Release

### **Virginia Fairweather joins DFI magazine staff**

DFI is pleased to announce Virginia Fairweather as the Executive Editor of Deep Foundations Magazine. Manny Fine, current Managing Editor, will continue that role in conjunction with Virginia. The goal of the dual editorship is to enhance the magazine with more current articles on newsworthy projects, changes in the industry and member projects and activities.



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Virginia Fairweather has been an editor, writer and reporter for over 20 years, specializing in the construction industry. She was Editor of the ASCE News, a monthly publication of the American Society of Civil Engineers, then Editor-in-Chief of three international magazines in the international design and construction field for a Connecticut-based publisher. She returned to ASCE as Editor-in-Chief of Civil Engineering magazine, the monthly magazine of the Society, and oversaw the publication's transition when the organization moved to Virginia in 1997. She then became a free-lance editor and reporter, working for trade and professional magazines, and writing and editing books.

Fairweather books include the co-authored "Construction Claims: Analysis, Presentation and Defense," which had three editions, each with a different publisher. She edited and updated "The American Civil Engineer," a history of the American Society of Civil Engineers, published by that Society. Her book "Expressed Structure," published in 2004 by the Swiss publisher, Birkhauser, deals with the collaboration between architects and structural engineers.

In her position as Editor-in-Chief of Civil Engineering magazine, Fairweather served on many design juries, including those of the General Services Administration and the National Endowment of the Arts, and sat on numerous panels at industry conferences.

Virginia's past experience and contacts in the industry add a new depth of knowledge to the Deep Foundations magazine team. DFI is excited to have her on board and looks forward to a fresh new approach to the magazine editorial content. She welcomes submission of potential magazine articles and press releases for consideration and can be reached via email at [vfairweather@dfi.org](mailto:vfairweather@dfi.org).

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