For Immediate Release
DFI Announces Election of Board Members

January 30, 2011, Hawthorne, NJ: Elections for trustees to the board of the Deep Foundations Institute were held by a ballot distributed to the membership per DFI Bylaws in advance of the 2010 Annual Conference and Members’ Meeting in October 2010. Five of the six board members whose terms were expiring at the end of 2010 were nominated for re-election for another 3-year term. One new nomination was made to fill the position previously held by Seth L. Pearlman of Menard located in Bridgeville, PA. Seth served as a board member since 1998 and as its president from 2007-2008, making great contributions to the organization’s activities.

On January 1, 2011 incumbent trustees Maurice Bottiau, Commercial Director S.A. Franki Geotechnics B N.V., Bernard H. Hertlein, M. ASCE, Principal Scientist at AECOM Technical Services Inc., Kirk A. McIntosh, P.E., Sr. Principal at MACTEC Engineering & Consulting Inc., John Wolosick, P.E., D.GE, Director at Hayward Baker and Michael H. Wysockey, Ph.D., P.E., of Thatcher Engineering Corporation will begin their second terms and Gianfranco Di Cicco, Principal of GDConsulting LLC will begin his first.

Mr. Di Cicco began his career at Rodio and Trevi in 1980. He founded his own consulting company in 2005 after participating and directing major foundation projects worldwide. Since then, because of his extensive field, management, contractual and geotechnical construction experience, he has been consulting internationally, providing foundation technology services to Owners, Engineers, Public and Private Organizations, Contractors, Equipment and Special Material Manufacturers. Mr. DiCicco received a degree in Civil Engineering from the “Istituto Tecnico Enrico Fermi” (Italy), and has been involved for many years in the Deep Foundations Institute as a member of the following DFI technical committees: Slurry Walls (Diaphragm Walls), Drill Shafts, Sustainability and Marine Foundations. He is also a member of ADSC: International Association of Foundation Drilling, ASDSO: Association of State Dam Safety Officials and the ISM: International Society for Micropiles.