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"Jim has been a tireless supporter of the APWA conferences for more than 30 years, and he has been a fixture at both the annual Congress (now PWX) and the North American Snow Conference," said President Usher. "Beginning in 1993 Jim began his formal participation as a member of the Product Users and Suppliers Council with APWA. Beginning in 2002 he was appointed a member of the Exposition Advisory Committee, serving as this group's chair for two years. He served for nine years on the Congress Site Selection Committee, providing a vendor's perspective on the needs and concerns as locations were reviewed for hosting Congress. Jim was more often found inspecting the loading docks and ramps at the convention centers than he was inspecting hotel or meeting rooms.

"APWA could not provide the support and assistance we do for our members and chapters without the ongoing help and participation of our vendors at our trade shows, as well as those shows undertaken by our chapters across North America. Jim is well known across the continent for his participation in not just our national shows, but for support of numerous chapter events as well. His unwavering, dedicated and tireless support, and leadership in the vendor community of APWA, deserves to be recognized."