To: Laurel Weldon, Interim Provost

From: Jeff Roberts, Frederick L. Hovde Dean

Re: Nomination of Dr. Paul Shepson for a Distinguished Professor of Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences/Chemistry

I forward to you the nomination of Dr. Paul Shepson for a Distinguished Professor of Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences/Chemistry. Dr. Shepson’s nomination has been endorsed by the both the EAPS and Chemistry departments, the College of Science’s Area Promotion Committee and a university committee of distinguished professors. A report from the university committee is attached, along with both an abbreviated vita and bio sketch plus letters from external referees.

Dr. Shepson is a recognized national and international leader in atmospheric chemistry. He has made important contributions in the field of biosphere-atmospheric interactions in forest environments, cryosphere-atmosphere interactions in the Arctic, and greenhouse gas flux measurements. Dr. Shepson’s research productivity is exceptional as indicated by a very impressive record of external funding, publications, and graduate student mentoring. He has provided outstanding leadership at Purdue, national, and international levels.

I most strongly endorse the nomination of Dr. Paul Shepson as a Distinguished Professor of Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences/Chemistry.

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL:

[Signature]  5/3/2014
Laurel Weldon
Interim Provost

APPROVED:

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To: Jeffrey T. Roberts, Frederick L. Hovde Dean of the College of Science

From: Ad hoc Committee of Distinguished Professors

We are pleased to strongly endorse the candidacy of Dr. Paul B. Shepson for the distinction of Distinguished Professor. Dr. Shepson is a longstanding leader in the international atmospheric chemistry community. He has made major contributions in understanding the biosphere-atmosphere interactions via his work involving forest canopies, understanding of the ozone hole that develops over the North Pole in the Spring via his work in the Arctic, and in innovating novel approaches to greenhouse gas flux measurements over urban environments. His contributions are consistently mentioned in the enthusiastically supportive letters from peers outside of our institution. Consistent with the criteria for this academic distinction, he has made a substantive impact in his field of study, atmospheric chemistry, as well as at Purdue through his leadership roles. We strongly recommend that Dr. Shepson be granted the distinction of Distinguished Professor.

John H. Cushman, University Distinguished Professor of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences

Rebecca W. Doerge, Trent and Judith Anderson Distinguished Professor of Statistics

Gebisa Ejeta, Distinguished Professor of Agronomy

Laszlo Lempert, Distinguished Professor of Mathematics

Scott A. McLuckey, John A. Leighty Distinguished Professor of Chemistry