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## AAPG HONORS & AWARD NOMINATION FORM

### NORMAN H. FOSTER OUTSTANDING EXPLORER AWARD

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**Nominee's name:**

**Awarded in recognition of:**

Distinguished and outstanding achievement in exploration for petroleum or mineral resources by members who have shown a consistent pattern of exploratory success.

**Restrictions:**

Recipient must be a member of AAPG; must be living at the time of selection; currently engaged in exploration and willing to be present to accept the award, usually at the Annual Convention. Discovery may have occurred at any time in the nominee's career, but the intended emphasis is on relatively recent discoveries (within the past 15 years). Only one award per year.

**Guidelines:**

**Candidates** shall be individual explorers or leaders of teams who have:

- Discovered a significant petroleum mineral resource, or
- Caused a significant petroleum or mineral resource to be developed, or
- Created a new significant play to be developed in a new or mature basin, or
- Caused a new petroleum or mineral resource province to be opened up, or
- Been a part of a team discovering a significant petroleum or mineral resource, or
- Accomplished earth science exploration, which can be demonstrated to be responsible for the discovery of a significant petroleum or mineral resource.

**Recommendation** for who should receive the award:

- Individual for single discovery
- Leader of a group for single discovery
- Leader of a proven exploration team with significant discoveries
- Not to be given to companies or organizations

This award may be shared by an **exploration team of individuals**, but shall not be given to companies or organizations. The "team" may be a multi-year team where original team members have gone on to other projects.

An explorer who causes a play to be developed or field to be discovered through the **use of new technology**, will be eligible for the award. Consider only when there is a demonstrated direct connection between exploration/technology and a significant discovery by same explorer or team.

Present the award to the leader (or an outstanding member) of a team, who is an AAPG member and present a certificate to the rest of the team members.

Many important resource development areas may have been previously drilled but may have been unrecognized or uneconomic or inaccessible for a variety of reasons. Thus, the award may



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be given for “**rediscovering**” and being the driving force in the development of these types of projects.

The term, “significant discoveries,” recognizes both relative and absolute size of a discovery. Significant discoveries in a **mature basin** may be large finds in the relative sense, whereas significant discoveries in an immature basin may be large in the absolute sense. In both cases, the discovery should affect what other explorers do in terms of where and how they explore. Examples would be **opening a new play or basin**; demonstrating the **effectiveness of a new exploration technology**; or demonstrating an **original exploration strategy**.

**Description:**

**If the person wins, what email address and phone number should be used to contact?**

**Additional Comments and/or Supporting Material: Limited to maximum of five-pages (5); submissions that exceed this limit may be omitted/excluded from material submitted to council for review/consideration. No Exceptions.**

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**Submitted by:**

**Date:**

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