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Fundraiser will honor exemplary industry leaders, Dec. 5 in New York City

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NEW YORK – A celebration of a diverse and culturally integrated chemical engineering profession will bring together leaders of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) and companies in the chemical process and related industries for AIChE’s 2014 Gala, to be held Friday, Dec. 5, at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York, NY.

Honorees at the Gala will include Patricia A. Woertz, Chairman and CEO of Archer Daniels Midland Co.; Ryan M. Lance, Chairman and CEO of ConocoPhillips; and Raj L. Gupta, Chairman of Avantor Performance Materials and Senior Advisor at New Mountain Capital. These company leaders will be recognized for exemplifying a personal commitment to a diverse culture in their companies and practices.

This year’s fundraising event will shine a light on organizations that have found strength in diversity. Funds raised during the Gala will underwrite AIChE’s continued efforts to promote diversity in the chemical engineering workforce — through support for the Institute’s student activities in the developing world; K–12 and public outreach; and professional development initiatives conducted by AIChE’s Minority Affairs and Women’s Initiatives committees, local sections, and student chapters.

Each fall, AIChE holds the awards gala to recognize leaders from a variety of industries whose careers exemplify excellence in advancing chemical engineering. The gala strengthens AIChE’s connection with industry leaders and builds support for important initiatives AIChE is undertaking on behalf of its

members and the chemical engineering profession.

Last year's fundraising gala raised \$400,000 to support the expansion of ethics training for chemical engineering undergraduates, as well as to support lifelong-learning opportunities for professional engineers.

The 2014 AIChE Gala will be co-chaired by John Y. Televantos, Partner at Arsenal Capital Partners, along with S. Shariq Yosufzai, Vice President for Global Diversity, Ombuds, and University Affairs at Chevron; Karen A. Fletcher, Vice President for Engineering, Facilities Services, and Real Estate, and Chief Engineer at DuPont; and Todd A. Werpy, Senior Vice President of Research and Development at Archer Daniels Midland Co.

For more information about the 2014 AIChE Gala, visit www.aiche.org/gala.



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