AGRSS Council Board of Directors Meets; Elects New Officers

The board of directors of the Auto Glass Replacement Safety Standards Council (AGRSS) Inc. elected new officers during its spring meeting in Charlottesville, Va. Debra Levy, publisher of AGRR magazine, was elected president of the Council; David Rohlfing, president and chief executive officer of Glass America, was elected vice president/president-elect; Jean Pero of Mygrant Glass was elected treasurer; and Joel Timmons, founder and president of Profitable Glass Solutions, was elected secretary.

The new officers’ terms began April 1.

Consumer safety advocate Ralph Nader once called Levy “indefatigable” in her pursuit of auto glass safety. She is also a member of the ANSI Z97 Architectural Glazing Standard Committee and has worked tirelessly to bring safety issues surrounding wired glass and glass table tops to light as well.

Levy is in her 27th year in the glass industry and also serves as publisher of several other glass related print and electronic publications, including USGlass, Architect’s Guide to Glass and WINDOW FILM magazine. She is president of Key Communications Inc., AGRR’s parent company.

“I feel very honored and humbled to have been elected president,” says Levy. “I remember back when the 20/20 report first aired on TV and our magazine’s website was one of a few to which ABC News linked. We got a couple of thousand inquiries that night about auto glass installation practices. More than half of those writing mentioned they drove with young children in the car. People care about safety and AGRSS means safety.”

The Auto Glass Replacement Safety Standards (AGRSS) Council Inc. is the not-for-profit organization dedicated to the safe replacement of auto glass. AGRSS was founded and is supported by companies in the auto glass replacement industry that keep safe installation as their primary goal. The Council is also accredited by the American National Standard Institute (ANSI) – a standard development organization – and has developed North America’s only auto glass replacement standard, the AGRSS Standard (ANSI/AGRSS 002-2002). The AGRSS Standard addresses procedures, education and product performance.