AAPG/DPA-AIPG RECIPROCITY

Introduction

This document sets forth the conditions of reciprocity whereby the Division of Professional Affairs of AAPG will grant certification as a Petroleum Geologist to a geologist certified by AIPG as a Professional Geological Scientist. These conditions should not be construed as deterrents to those AIPG members who are qualified by training and experience for specialty certification as Petroleum Geologists, but rather recognition that specialty certification requires specialty experience and, therefore, not all AIPG members are qualified for AAPG/DPA certification.

These conditions have been approved by the Executive Committees of AAPG and DPA.

Basic Stipulation

A Certified Professional Geological Scientist in good standing with the American Institute of Professional Geologists may request certification as a Petroleum Geologist by writing to AAPG/DPA, P.O. Box 979, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101. Reciprocal certification will be granted if the applicant meets all requirements as set out in the Bylaws of the AAPG Division of Professional Affairs.

Guidelines for Basic Stipulation

A. Sponsors
   1. Applicant must have gained AIPG certification by sponsored application (AIPG requires five sponsors).
   2. At least three (3) of the five (5) sponsors must have been Active members of AAPG at the time of sponsorship.
   3. If less than three (3) of the sponsors qualify, applicant must secure additional Active AAPG member sponsors to bring the total to three.

B. Experience
   1. AAPG/DPA requires "a minimum of eight years experience in petroleum geology" (AIPG requires five years in geological science).
   2. One year of credit may be given for the award of a Master's degree, or three years of credit for the award of a Doctor's degree.
   3. If experience recorded on applicant's AIPG (or old APGS) application does not meet the AAPG/DPA requirement, applicant will be required to update experience record.
C. Affiliation

1. Applicant must be an Active member in good standing of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists.

D. Fees

1. Payment of a $30 application/processing fee and $30 for first year's dues must accompany the letter of application. The $30 application fee is not refundable.

2. The fee and annual dues are separate and apart from any AIPG dues.

Guidelines A through D above are intended as information for prospective applicants and do not inclusively cover all entry requirements stipulated in the AAPG/DPA bylaws.

Term

This reciprocity shall remain in effect until rescinded by action of the Executive Committee of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists.

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