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## **NFRC Recognizes Outgoing Board Members with Awards**

During the opening session, NFRC Board Chair, Paul Bush provided service awards to the following outgoing board members and thanked them for their unique contributions:

- Mahabir Bhandari of the Oak Ridge National Laboratory, general interest board member
- Garrett Stone, a principal at Stone, Mattheis & Xenopoulos, and Regulatory Affairs Committee Chair
- John McFee, VP of certification programs at the Windows & Doors Manufacturers Association, and Ratings Committee Chair

“Mahabir's commitment to NFRC and its mission has been truly altruistic,” Bush said, “What many people don't realize is that he used his personal time to attend NFRC meetings.”

Bush also thanked Mahabir for serving on multiple committees and for contributing to the commercial program.

Bush added that Garrett Stone's three decades of service played an important role in guiding NFRC's mission and added that the organization has benefitted from his knowledge of various energy efficiency programs and his understanding of how NFRC's work relates to federal, state, and local regulations.

“It's been a privilege and a pleasure to serve,” John McFee said after accepting his award.

Bush praised McFee as a longtime participant, who is viewed as a good leader that does a great job of keeping NFRC's programs running.

“As a nonprofit organization, those of you in this room volunteering your time and expertise is a huge part of why we can look back on three decades of success and great work,” Bush concluded. “That's why it's important to take some time to pay tribute to the great work and effort put in and give you the recognition you deserve.”