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PESC Members Elect Steering Committee for Standards Forum for Education  
U.S. Department of Education’s Holly Hyland Appointed Chair  
AES’ Adele Marsh Appointed Vice Chair

February 8, 2006 (Washington DC) ~ At the annual fall membership meeting held October 11, 2005 in Atlanta, Georgia, Members of the Postsecondary Electronic Standards Council (PESC) elected 7 members of the Steering Committee of the Standards Forum for Education. Elected for one year terms that run January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006, are:

- Adriana Farella, Xap Corporation  
- Ed Hauser, SunGard SCT Higher Education  
- Holly Hyland, Office of Federal Student Aid, U.S. Department of Education  
- Robert King, Citibank Student Loan Corp.  
- Adele Marsh, AES  
- Bruce Marton, University of Texas at Austin  
- John van Weeren, Datatel

Under the guidance of the PESC Board of Directors, the Steering Committee provides overall direction for the Standards Forum for Education and manages all development workgroups (Admission Application, Data Transport, Degree Audit Request/Response, High School XML Transcript, Online Loan Counseling, Student Aid Inquiry, XML Transcript Request/Response) and boards (Change Control Board, Submission Advisory Board, and Technical Advisory Board).

Founded on August 4, 2000, the Standards Forum for Education sets and maintains standards for use in data exchanges between colleges and universities and their various trading partners. To date, the Standards Forum for Education has produced 2 PESC approved standards (Common Record: CommonLine and Postsecondary XML Transcript), an extensive Policies and Procedures Manual which includes PESC Guidelines for XML Architecture and Data Modeling, Documentation Standards, and in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Education the XML Registry and Repository for the Education Community.
Subsequently, at the beginning of 2006, Steering Committee members elected Holly Hyland from
the U.S. Department of Education’s Office of Federal Student Aid as Chair and Adele Marsh from
AES as Vice Chair. The Board of Directors thanks Ed Hauser of SunGard SCT who has served as
Chair for the past 4 years.

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About PESC
Established in 1997 and located in Washington, D.C., the Postsecondary Electronic Standards Council (PESC) is a
non-profit, community-based, umbrella association of colleges and universities; professional and commercial
organizations; data, software and service providers; and state and federal government agencies. PESC’s mission is to
lead the establishment and adoption of data exchange standards in education. The goals of the mission are to enable
the improvement of institutional performance and foster collaboration across educational communities in order to lower
costs, improve service, and attain system interoperability.