September 17, 2008

To Terry Fisher:

In recognition of your decades of dedication and wise advocacy in the area of geospatial standards, the Board of Directors of the Open Geospatial Consortium is honored to present you with an OGC Lifetime Achievement Award.

Since the late 1980's, you have worked on and promoted the use of geospatial community standards in various Canadian and international forums. Further, you have been a valued participant in the OGC process from the Consortium's earliest years. You influenced GeoConnections to use the OGC’s international process as a resource to address priority Canadian Geospatial Data Infrastructure (CGDI) requirements, which led to the CGDI becoming the largest single implementation community for OGC standards. You have supported Canadian technology developers in their cooperative and pro-active OGC standards work, which has benefited those companies, Canada, OGC membership, and the broader international community. Your leadership has been a key factor in Canada’s becoming a global model for National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI) development that takes full advantage of OGC standards.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Open Geospatial Consortium, it is with the greatest pleasure that we present you with this, the OGC Lifetime Achievement Award. You bring honor and distinction to the work of the Consortium. We thank you for your dedication and achievement, and for providing an example of the excellence to which we as a community aspire.

Sincerely,

David Schell
Chairman