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To David G. Wesloh:

In recognition of your significant contribution to OGC's essential role and mission in the global Information Technology community, the Board of Directors of the OGC is honored to present you with this year's Kenneth D. Gardels Award.

With this award we wish to express our deep appreciation for the extraordinary contribution you have made throughout all phases of the design, development and market acceptance of OGC standards. Through your leadership, technical expertise and personal commitment, you have contributed substantially to developing testbed tracks, advancing work during the testbeds, shepherding testbed results into the standardization program, and building awareness of the importance of OGC standards and the OGC process. You have worked tirelessly and with great integrity to represent the interoperability interests of your agency, the broader defense and intelligence community, as well as the emergency and disaster management community and other domains that benefit broadly from the standards influenced through your work.

The Kenneth D. Gardels Award was conceived to memorialize the spirit of a man who dreamt passionately of making the world a better place through open communication and the use of information technology to improve the quality of human life. In your work you have illustrated the personal excellence and social commitment that represent the highest value of the Consortium and the intent of this award.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Open Geospatial Consortium as well as the previous Gardels Award recipients who supported the Board in the nomination process, it is with the greatest pleasure that I present you with the 2012 Kenneth D. Gardels Award. We thank you for your dedication and achievement, and for exemplifying the ideals to which we as a community aspire.

For the OGC Board of Directors:

Jeffrey K. Harris
Chairman