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David A. Shea Named to American Academy of Actuaries Board of Directors

WASHINGTON – 29 Feb. 2008 – The American Academy of Actuaries board of directors has unanimously elected **David A. Shea** as a regular director, the Academy announced Feb. 21. Shea is a vice president and actuary with WellPoint in Richmond, Va. Shea currently is the chairperson of the Academy's Federal Health Committee. He also serves as a member of the Academy's Health Practice Council, Membership Committee, and (health) Small Group Market Task Force.

"I want to thank the Academy board for the appointment," Shea said. "I'm honored, humbled, and excited about the opportunity."

Shea fills a vacancy created when **Kathleen Riley** shifted positions and became the vice president for professionalism in late 2007. As a regulator director, Shea will serve on the Academy's board of directors, which sets the strategic goals and priorities for the organization. The American Academy of Actuaries' mission is to serve the public on behalf of the U.S. actuarial profession. The Academy assists public policymakers on all levels by providing leadership, objective expertise, and actuarial advice on risk and financial security issues. The Academy also sets qualification, practice, and professionalism standards for actuaries in the United States.

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