

## **Jonathan Bennett designated a Diplomate of Geotechnical Engineering by The Academy of Geo-Professionals**

Hershey, PA (November 3, 2009) – GeoStructures Earth Support Division Chief Engineer Jonathan Bennett, PE, D.GE, M.ASCE, has been designated a Diplomate of Geotechnical Engineering by The Academy of Geo-Professionals (AGP). The Academy of Geo-Professionals was founded in October 2008 by practicing geo-professionals who are members of the American Society of Civil Engineers' Geo-Institute. The Academy was created to offer a voluntary, post-license credential that provides professional engineers with an opportunity to gain further recognition in the broad field of geotechnical engineering. AGP's goal is to improve the practice, elevate the standards, and advance the profession of geotechnical engineering.

Mr. Bennett was part of a group of 56 geotechnical engineers inducted as AGP diplomates in a ceremony held at the 2009 Central Pennsylvania Geotechnical Conference in Hershey, PA.

Jon has been involved in the design and management of specialty geotechnical construction projects throughout the Mid Atlantic United States since 1994. He has over 20 years of experience in the design and construction of engineered facilities, geo-structural analysis, specialty geotechnical construction, specialized engineering software development, computer aided engineering, and technical communications. He specializes in the design and construction of ground anchors and anchored structures including tieback walls, soil nailing, micropiles, foundation underpinning, and structure tiedowns for earth retention, slope stabilization, foundation support, and ground improvement applications. He is a past Chairman of the Deep Foundations Institute (DFI) Tiebacks and Soil Nailing Committee and current Chairman of the DFI Micropile Committee.