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Geochemist, President

Dr. Michel is a geochemist specializing in terrestrial and marine pollution studies, coastal geomorphology, and environmental risk assessments. Having worked in 33 countries, she has extensive international experience and has worked in many different coastal and terrestrial environments.

Dr. Michel is one of the founders of RPI and has been President since 2000. She often leads multi-disciplinary teams on projects where her problem-solving skills are essential to bringing solutions to complex issues. For example, her work during spill emergencies requires her to rapidly develop consensus and provide decision-makers needed information. Because of her routine scientific support for spills, she has extensive knowledge of and practical experience in pollutant fate, transport, and effect issues. She has been a leader in the development of methods and the conduct of Natural Resource Damage Assessments (NRDA) following spills and groundings. She has taken a lead role in over 30 NRDA cases for Federal and State Trustees since 1985.

Dr. Michel has been recognized for her achievements through appointments to many respected committees and panels, including six National Academies committees:

- Spills of Nonfloating Oil (1999);
- Oil in the Sea (2002);
- Chairman of Spills of Emulsified Fuels: Risks and Response (2001);
- Chairman of Committee on Understanding Oil Spill Dispersants: Efficacy and Effects (2005);
- Fate and Effects of Diluted Bitumen (2015); and
- 2016 Committee on Environmental Science and Assessment for Ocean Energy Management, advising the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management in its efforts to manage development of the nation's offshore energy resources in an environmentally and economically responsible way.

She was on the Oceans Studies Board at the National Academies for 2001-2005 and is a Lifetime Associate of the National Academies. She was on the Science Advisory Panel to the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy. She is an Adjunct Professor in the School of the Environment, University of South Carolina. She has written over 230 technical reports and publications, including 48 peer-reviewed journal articles.

She co-authored three books on the coastal geology and ecology of different coastal states, targeted to the layperson living on or visiting the coast: South Carolina (2008), Central California (2010), and Georgia (2013). A book on the Southern Alaska coast is in preparation.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Department of Geology, University of South Carolina (USC), Columbia (1980). Dissertation Title: Behavior of Uranium and Thorium Decay-Series Isotopes in the Hydrologic Cycle

M.S., Department of Geology, USC, Columbia (1976). Thesis Title: Ground Water Pollution and Geochemical Variations in Leachate from Solid Waste Disposal

B.S., Department of Geology, USC, Columbia (1974)

HONORS

Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award, 2002, College of Science and Mathematics, USC Lifetime Associate of the National Academies



PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Expertise in four technical areas is outlined separately below:

- 1) Oil and chemical emergency spill response, research, and contingency planning
- 2) Natural resource damage assessment and restoration
- 3) Environmental risk assessment/geology
- 4) Environmental radiochemistry

OIL AND CHEMICAL SPILL RESPONSE, RESEARCH, AND CONTINGENCY PLANNING

Multidisciplinary Assessment of Coastal Ecosystems Impacted by Oil and Chemical Spills, Dr. Michel was part of the original team of RPI scientists who pioneered much of the early research on oil spill impacts on coastal ecosystems. This work, sponsored by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, has involved multidisciplinary studies of hazardous materials spill impacts and the development of strategies to mitigate these impacts. Scientific support for hazardous materials spills includes rapid assessment of the aquatic toxicology, chemical hazards, field methods, and fate and effects for a wide range of chemicals. Because of her routine scientific support for spills, she has extensive knowledge of and practical experience in pollutant fate, transport, and effect issues.

Spills of note where <u>field</u> responses have been conducted include the following:

T/V Metula	Strait of Magellan, Chile	1976
T/V Amoco Cadiz	Brittany, France	1978
T/B Peck Slip	Puerto Rico	1978
IXTOC well blowout	South Texas	1979
Funiwa 5 blowout	Nigeria	1982
Cape Fear River	Wilmington, N.C.	1983
T/V Puerto Rican	San Francisco, Calif.	1985
T/V Amazon Venture	Savannah, Ga.	1986
M/V Pac Baroness	Santa Barbara, Calif.	1987
Shell Refinery	Martinez, Calif.	1988
T/V Exxon Valdez	Valdez, Alaska	1989
T/V American Trader	Huntington Beach, Calif.	1990
T/B Bella Vista	St. Kitts/Puerto Rico	1991
Gulf War Spill	Saudi Arabia and Kuwait	1991
T/V Katina P	Mozambique	1992
Benzene Trail Derailment	Duluth, Minn.	1992
Greenhill Petroleum Blowout	Timbalier Bay, Louisiana	1992
UNOCAL refinery	Neches River, Texas	1993
Colonial Pipeline Break	Reston, Va.	1993
T/B Bouchard 255	Tampa, Fla.	1993
T/B Morris J. Berman	Puerto Rico	1994
RASA Refinery	Acajutla, El Salvador	1994
Kharyaga-Usinsk Pipeline Spills	Komi Republic, Russia	1995
Powell-Duffryn Chemical Fire	Savannah, Georgia	1995
T/B North Cape	Rhode Island	1996
Colonial Pipeline–Reedy River	Greenville, South Carolina	1996
T/V Julie N	Portland, Maine	1996
Lake Barre Texaco Pipeline Spill	Lake Barre, Texas	1997
Kapitan Egorov Grounding	Guayanilla, Puerto Rico	1998
BP Offshore Platform	Southwest Pass, Louisiana	1998
M/V New Carissa	Coos Bay, Oregon	1999



Chevron Pipeline	Quatre Bayou, Louisiana	1999
Petrobras Pipeline	Guanabara Bay, Brazil	2000
Sun Oil Co. Pipeline	John Heinz NWR, Penn.	2000
PEPCO Pipeline	Patuxent River, Maryland	2000
M/V Westchester	Mississippi River, RM 38	2000
Williams Pipeline Break	Mosquito Bay, Louisiana	2001
Oiled Shoreline Survey	Saudi Arabia	2002
T/B Bouchard-120	Buzzards Bay, Mass.	2003
M/V Fortune Epoch	Savannah, Ga.	2004
M/T Athos 1	Delaware River, Pa, NJ, DE	2004
Hurricane Katrina and Rita spills	Louisiana	2005
T/B <i>DBL-152</i>	Offshore Louisiana	2005
Bayou Perot	Louisiana	2007
M/V Cosco Busan	San Francisco, CA	2007
T/V Hebei Spirit	South Korea	2008
Deepwater Horizon/MC252	Gulf of Mexico	2010
ExxonMobil Pegasus Pipeline spill	Arkansas	2013
Texas City Y barge spill	Texas	2014
Refugio Incident, Santa Barbara	California	2015

Shoreline Assessment and Cleanup. Dr. Michel is an international specialist in shoreline assessment and cleanup. In 1995, she was Senior Advisor to the World Bank responsible for development and oversight of a \$45 million emergency oil spill cleanup in the Komi Region of the Former Soviet Union. The plan was to prevent the release of massive amounts of oil into rivers draining to the Arctic Ocean. In 1997-8, she was again asked to assist the World Bank on cleanup of onshore oil production fields in Azerbaijan. In 2000, she was asked by the Inter-American Development Bank to advise the environmental agencies of Brazil on assessment of a major oil spill in Guanabara Bay.

<u>Lecturer and Instructor on Oil Spill Response.</u> Dr. Michel is the primary lecturer of 3-5 day courses on the behavior, effects, and cleanup considerations at oil spills. Through the use of case histories via slide presentations and training manuals, participants are given experience in oil spill response needs for protection of natural resources. This course has been conducted more than 50 times since 1992.

Scientific Adviser on Pollutant Fate and Effects. In 1991-1992, Dr. Michel was the Chief Scientist on Leg II—Nearshore Biogeochemical Processes for the *Mt. Mitchell* cruise in the Arabian Gulf. This project studied the fate and transport mechanism for contamination of the intertidal and subtidal habitats in Saudi Arabia following the Gulf War spill. She coordinated the studies of 25 scientists from ten countries for a 22-day cruise and a six-week shoreline survey. In 2002-2003, she was the Senior Scientist on the \$6 million Oiled Shoreline Survey to assess the injury and need for remediation of intertidal habitats along the 800 km of shoreline of Saudi Arabia affected by the Gulf War oil spill. She developed the study plan, participated in the fieldwork, and was the senior author of the technical report.

Selected Publications

OIL/CHEMICAL SPILL EFFECTS AND FATE RESEARCH

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Zengel S, B.M. Bernik, N. Rutherford, Z. Nixon, and J. Michel.2015. Heavily oiled salt marsh following the *Deepwater Horizon* oil spill, ecological comparisons of shoreline cleanup treatments and recovery. PLoS ONE 10(7): e0132324. doi:10.1371



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ENVIRONMENTAL RISK ASSESSMENTS/GEOLOGY

<u>Development Projects on the OCS</u>: Dr. Michel has assisted the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) on numerous projects related to environmentally sound management of resources in the Outer Continental Shelf, including:

1) Principal Investigator and Senior Author of the 2007 Literature Synthesis study on potential environmental impacts associated with alternative energy uses of the OCS. She also authored the Workshop Summary for the workshop held by MMS in June 2007. She has continued to support



- alternative energy development as member of the Regulatory Task Force managed by the South Carolina Energy Office.
- 2) Senior Author of the 2013 report: Review of Biological and Biophysical Impacts from Dredging and Handling of Offshore Sand. She authored the sections for foraging seabirds, sea turtles, and marine mammals.
- 3) Principal Investigator and Senior Editor of the 2011 Literature Synthesis of the South Atlantic Planning Area of the southeastern U.S. which covers the topics of Physical Oceanography, Geological Oceanography, Chemical Oceanography, Plankton Communities, Benthic Communities, Fish and Fish Habitat, Birds, Marine Mammals, Sea Turtles, Areas of Special Concern, Socioeconomic Resources, and Research and Development Technologies. This 900+ page synthesis report addresses current conditions and potential environmental impacts associated with oil and gas exploration and production, sand and gravel extraction, and alternative energy development of the outer continental shelf of the southeast U.S. shelf and slope.
- 4) Principal Investigator and Senior Author of the 2007 report on a critical review of the studies techniques being used by the BOEM Marine Minerals Program. In this report, recommendations were made to generate baseline data, evaluate the effectiveness of mitigation measures, and detect cumulative impacts.
- 5) Design and manage regional sand management working groups for Louisiana and Florida. This work involved coordination of agencies, private industry, academia, and stakeholders in the complex issues of dredging offshore sand deposits for habitat restoration. She also developed Monitoring Protocols for Environmental Sound Management/ Development of Federal Offshore Sand Borrow Areas on the East and Gulf Coasts;
- 6) Archaeological damage from offshore dredging: recommendations for pre-operational surveys and mitigation during dredging to avoid adverse impacts; and
- 7) Recommendations for environmentally friendly dredging techniques.

Programmatic Environmental Impact Statements (PEIS)/Biological Assessments:

Dr. Michel assisted the NOAA Restoration Center in preparation of the PEIS for the *Deepwater Horizon* Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan. In 2013, she co-authored the Biological Assessment required under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act for the Regional Response Team 9 California Dispersant Use Plan. She also co-authored the PEIS for the U.S. Coast Guard rulemaking that requires the inclusion of in-situ burning and dispersant capability in vessel and facility oil spill response plans in 2004.

She prepared Environmental Assessments for: two development projects associated with the Jazan Economic City on the Red Sea in Saudi Arabia in 2015; removal of nine wrecked tuna longliner vessels on a reef in Pago Pago. American Samoa in 1999; a spill in the Obed Wild and Scenic River, Tennessee in 2003; and the offloading of *USS Mississinewa*, a World War II tanker that started leaking oil into Ulithi Lagoon, Federated States of Micronesia in 2002. In 2009-2010 she used data on contamination sources to conduct contaminant and site-specific hazard assessments and develop a vulnerability index of coastal and marine resources to oil spills and releases of hazardous substance resulting from changes in sea level rise.

Environmental Risk/Pollution Assessments: She worked on the assessment of marine oil spill risk and environmental vulnerability for the State of Alaska (2013); risk assessment for Potentially Polluting Shipwrecks in U.S. Waters (2013); risks and effects of chemical spills from offshore wind turbines (2013); an Environmental Vulnerability Index to support coastal management and planning in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi (2011); and the Coastal Pollution Assessment for Jeddah, Saudi Arabia (2008).

Dr. Michel was the Project Manager for the Baseline Studies for Oil Pollution Control in Nigeria (1982-1985), a multidisciplinary study of the chemistry and biology of the Niger Delta for the Nigerian National



Petroleum Corporation. Extensive field surveys were conducted over a three-year period to characterize the ecological components, water quality, physical processes, and legal/socioeconomic issues for development of criteria and standards against oil pollution in the Niger Delta ecosystems.

Coastal Habitat Mapping: Dr. Michel was one of the original creators of the concept of Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) mapping. In 1990, she spearheaded the use of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) technology for data management and map production, including the development of standards for the production of coastal resource maps and databases. This work includes the Gulf-Wide Information System (G-WIS) projects for the Minerals Management Service. She conducted field mapping and authored the following atlases:

- Northern Puget Sound, Wash.
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- Florida (1980 original and 1993 update)
- Bristol Bay, Alaska
- Lake Michigan, WI, IL, IN, MI
- Lake Superior
- Lake Huron

- Cook Inlet and Kenai
- Peninsula, Alaska
- South Alaska Peninsula
- Central/Northern California
- Southeastern Alaska
- Lake Ontario
- Prince William Sound, AK

<u>Mapping of Unusually Sensitive Areas, Office of Pipeline Safety.</u> As Project Manager for the contract for mapping of Unusually Sensitive Areas (USAs), Dr. Michel developed the technical definition of drinking water USAs based on aquifer characteristics and development of a complex GIS model to create USAs from available datasets. Over a two-year cooperative development process, RPI worked closely with industry representatives to refine and finalize the technical processes for creating USAs.

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NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT AND RESTORATION

Dr. Michel has been a leader in the development of methods and the conduct of natural resource damage assessments (NRDA) following spills and groundings. She has taken a lead role in numerous damage assessments Federal and State Trustees. Since 1991, she has been the project manager for RPI's work under contract to the Damage Assessment Center of NOAA on many different aspects of natural resource damage assessments. She worked on the NRDA for the following incidents and waste sites:

- 1. T/V Amazon Venture, Savannah River, Georgia/South Carolina (1985)
- 2. Shell Martinez tank farm, Martinez, California (1988)
- 3. T/V Exxon Valdez, Prince William Sound, Alaska (1989)
- 4. *T/V American Trader*, Huntington Beach, California (1991)
- 5. Arthur Kill spills in New York/New Jersey (1991)
- 6. Mobil Mining and Minerals Company spill of phosphoric acid into the Houston Ship Channel, Texas (1992)
- 7. M/V Mega Borg spill off the Texas coast (1992)
- 8. Colonial Pipeline oil spill into Sugarland Run and the Potomac River, Virginia (1993)
- 9. Unocal Spill, California (1994)
- 10. *T/B North Cape* barge home heating oil spill in Rhode Island (1995)
- 11. Colonial Pipeline spill of No. 2 fuel oil into the Reedy River, South Carolina (1996)
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