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Physical science textbook wins 2009 McGuffey Longevity Award

St. Petersburg, FL, March 4, 2009 --- The Text and Academic Authors Association (TAA) awarded the 12th edition of *An Introduction to Physical Science*, by James T. Shipman, Jerry D. Wilson, Aaron Todd, and Charles Higgins, the 2009 McGuffey Longevity Award in the college level Physical Science category. The book is published by Houghton Mifflin (now Cengage).

TAA will present the award at its 2009 Conference on Text and Academic Authoring in San Antonio, Texas, June 27. www.TAAonline.net/TAAConference

Text and Academic Authors created the McGuffey Longevity Awards in 1993 to recognize textbooks and learning materials whose excellence has been demonstrated over time. To be nominated, a work must have been in print 15 years and still be selling. The awards bear the name of William Holmes McGuffey, whose influential primers, which first appeared in 1836, helped bring the United States out of frontier illiteracy. McGuffey's Eclectic Readers, usually called simply McGuffey's Readers, were in print until 1921.

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