



For Immediate Release

**Henry Paulson, Lu He, James E. Rogers, Laura M. Cha and Cai Guo-Qiang
Receive awards from Committee of 100**

(New York City, NY—May 12, 2011)—Committee of 100, an organization of prominent Chinese Americans presented four awards in The Metropolitan Museum of Art's Temple of Dendur in New York City during its 20th Annual Conference.

The recipients were:

Henry M. Paulson Jr., The 74th U.S. Treasury Secretary for *Leadership Award for Advancing U.S.-China Relations*

Liu He, Vice Chairman, Office of the Central Leading Group on Financial and Economic Affairs and CPC Secretary and Vice President, Development Research Center of the State Council

James E. Rogers, Chairman, President, and CEO, Duke Energy for *Business Excellence*

Laura M. Cha, Deputy Chairman, HSBC Investment Asia for *Philanthropy*

Cai Guo-Qiang, Contemporary artist for *Chinese in America Achievement*

Secretary Paulson served under President George W. Bush as the 74th Secretary of the Treasury from July 2006 until January 2009. As Treasury Secretary, Paulson was the President's leading policy advisor on a broad range of domestic and international economic issues. Before going to the Treasury Department, Paulson had a thirty-two year career at Goldman Sachs serving as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer since the firm's initial public offering in 1999. He is also involved in a range of conservation and environmental initiatives having served as Chairman of The Peregrine Fund, Inc., Chairman of the Board of Directors for The Nature Conservancy and was Co-Chairman of its Asia/Pacific Council. Prior to joining Goldman Sachs, Paulson was a member of the White House Domestic Council, serving as Staff Assistant to the President from 1972 to 1973, and as Staff Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense at the Pentagon from 1970 to 1972.

Liu He is a famous economist who has focused on macroeconomics, industrial structure, new economic theory and the information industry. Liu has been innovative in his research in these fields since 1987. In recent years, he has published 200 articles, three of which won the National 1st Science Award. He has also published 4 monographs, including research on the concepts and practice of Chinese Industry Policy, the rapid increase of the Chinese Economy, enterprise management and developing economic theory. Currently he is the most influential middle-aged economist in China.

James Rogers became chairman, president and CEO of Duke Energy in 2007, having served as chairman and CEO of Cinergy since 1994 and PSI Energy since 1988. He is chair of the Institute for Electric Efficiency, past

co-chair of the National Action Plan for Energy Efficiency and a board member of the Alliance to Save Energy. He is a director of Cigna Corp. and Applied Materials Inc. He serves on the boards and Executive Committees of the Nuclear Energy Institute and the World Business Council for Sustainable Development. He is a board member of the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations and Business Roundtable. He is a lifetime member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a member of the Honorary Committee of the Joint U.S.-China Collaboration on Clean Energy. Newsweek named Rogers to The Global Elite list, “The 50 Most Powerful People in the World in 2008.”

Laura Cha is a member of the Executive Council of the Government of Hong Kong and Non-Executive Deputy Chairman of The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, the Asia Pacific subsidiary of HSBC Holdings plc of which she is a Non-Executive Director. Cha was Vice Chairman of the China Securities Regulatory Commission (“CSRC”) from January 2001 to September 2004. She was appointed to the post by the State Council and became the first person outside Mainland China to join the Central Government of the People’s Republic of China at the vice-ministerial rank. Prior to her post at the CSRC, Mrs. Cha worked in the Securities and Futures Commission in Hong Kong from 1991 to 2000, becoming its Deputy Chairman in 1998.

Cai Guo-Qiang was trained in stage design at the Shanghai Theater Academy. His work has since crossed multiple mediums within art, including drawing, installation, video and performance art. While living in Japan from 1986 to 1995, he explored the properties of gunpowder in his drawings, an inquiry that eventually led to his experimentation with explosives on a massive scale and to the development of his signature explosion events. Drawing upon Eastern philosophy and contemporary social issues as a conceptual basis, these projects and events aim to establish an exchange between viewers and the larger universe around them, utilizing a site-specific approach to culture and history.

John S. Chen, Chairman of the Committee of 100, said: ““The Committee of 100 is delighted to recognize these individuals for their outstanding achievements in their respective field. Their success is an inspiration to C-100 in pursuing our mission which promotes constructive relations between the U.S. and Greater China and full participation of Chinese Americans in all fields of American life.”

COMMON GROUND, this year’s theme at the 20th Annual Conference provided a forum for government and business leaders to discuss key developments in U.S.-China relations and Chinese American progress. Specific topics of discussion include: social and economic change within the two countries, challenges faced in developing sustainable cities, emergence of new markets in the U.S. and China and best practices for Asian talent management in global companies.

The 20th Annual Conference Co-Chairs are Clarence Kwan, National Managing Partner, Chinese Services Group, Deloitte LLP; James M. Li, Managing Director, Goldman Sachs; and Lulu C. Wang, Chief Executive Officer, Tupelo Capital Management LLC.

The Committee of 100 is a leadership organization of prominent Chinese Americans in business, government, academia, and the arts. For over 20 years, the Committee has served as a substantive bridge in the U.S.- China dialogue by fostering regular exchanges with the leadership of Beijing, Taipei, and Washington. Members of the Committee of 100 are leading U.S. citizens of Chinese descent who leverage their collective influence, resources and experiences to address important topics shaping U.S.-China relations as well as issues affecting the Chinese American community. www.committee100.org

Contact: Ms. An Ping at 212-872-7259/917-670-5871 (mobile); ping_an@committee100.org