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Kelley Named Head of NC State's Wood and Paper Science Dept.

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Dr. Stephen S. Kelley has been named head of North Carolina State University's Department of Wood and Paper Science.

Prior to joining the department, Kelley was the principal scientist for the Department of Energy (DOE) National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) in Golden, Colo. Kelley joined NREL as a research chemist in 1992.

During his tenure with the NREL, Kelley also served as an adjunct professor in the Department of Forest Products at the University of Tennessee, and at Oregon State University. His industrial experience includes senior research chemist positions at both Eastman Kodak in Kingsport, Tenn., and Bend Research Inc. in Bend, Ore.



Dr. Stephen S. Kelley

"I'm delighted that Dr. Kelley has joined the College of Natural Resources. His expertise and experience will be invaluable to the Department of Wood and Paper Science," says Interim Dean J.B. Jett. "With the department changing to meet the needs of a rapidly globalizing industry through innovative research, outreach and education programs, his leadership and commitment to faculty, staff and students, plus his results-oriented approach, will assist this department in achieving even greater levels of success."

Kelley is a Fellow of the International Academy of Wood Science, the American Chemical Society, the Forest Products Society, the North American Membrane Society, and the Society of Wood, Science and Technology. He is the past chair of the Cellulose and Renewable Material Division of the American Chemical Society and has been active with non-profit organizations working on education, conservation and affordable housing issues. In 2003, he received the NREL Award for Technology Transfer.

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Kelley received his bachelor's degree from Oregon State University in 1978, and a Ph.D. in chemistry from Virginia Polytechnic Institute in 1986.

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