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**Biography**

Bill Cook joined American Geophysical Union (AGU) as Director of Publications in November, 2010. AGU publishes 12 highly-respected, peer-reviewed scientific journals, including the *Journal of Geophysical Research*, which comprises seven disciplinary sections and the highly cited *Reviews of Geophysics*. Bill came to AGU from the American Chemical Society, where from 1997 to 2006 he was Vice President for Finance of the ACS Publications Division. Prior to joining ACS, he worked for several other companies involved in publishing: Crown Books, a Washington, DC based discount retailer with over 160 stores in 6 states; Derwent Corporation, a subsidiary of Thomson Publishing; and Craver, Mathews, Smith & Company. Bill holds Bachelor of Science (Business) and Master of Science (Information Systems) degrees from George Mason University. Since 2001 Bill has served on the Professional and Scholarly Publishing Executive Council of the Association of American Publishers.