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For Immediate Release:

IZADI RECEIVES DEPARTMENT CHAIR LEADERSHIP AWARD AT EIU

CHARLESTON – Mahyar Izadi has been honored with the 2005 Department Chair Leadership Award at Eastern Illinois University.

Izadi, who has taught at EIU since 1984, is to begin his third consecutive three-year term as chair of the School of Technology in July.

“He has distinguished himself as a very capable academic leader while also serving as a model of excellence in teaching, research and service,” said Diane B. Hoadley, dean of the Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences, who nominated Izadi for the award.

“Dr. Izadi has been successful in leading four very disparate programs, including graduate programs, to become a cohesive unit,” Hoadley said. “He motivates the faculty to work together to accomplish their goals, and enjoys very positive support of faculty and staff in the unit – esprit de corps in the school is very high. He conducts the affairs of the school in a collegial manner, and elicits the active participation of faculty in activities and initiatives of the unit and beyond.”

Among Izadi’s previous local honors are the 2003 Graduate Leadership Award from the EIU Graduate School and the 2003 Dean’s Award for Service from the EIU School of Continuing Education.

His scope of influence also reaches beyond the EIU campus.

Izadi is president of the university division of the National Association of Industrial Technology. He also serves as a NAIT accreditation evaluator and on several national and state committees.

In addition, he serves on three journals’ editorial boards.

A certified manufacturing engineer, Izadi received a doctorate from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, a master’s degree from Murray State University and a bachelor’s degree from Franklin University.