



Mechanical Engineering  
Academy of Distinguished Alumni

## **William A. Zartler**

*Distinguished Mechanical Engineer, 2020*

BSME, The University of Texas at Austin, 1987  
MBA, Texas A&M University, 1989

*Founder, Chairmain, and CEO*  
Solaris Oilfield Infrastructure, Inc.

*Founder and CEO*  
Solaris Midstream Holdings

Bill Zartler has an extensive background in both building and managing growth businesses and energy industry investing. Bill is the Founder, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Solaris Oilfield Infrastructure, Inc. (NYSE:SOI) and the Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Solaris Midstream Holdings, LLC (“Solaris Water”).

SOI is the leader in wellsite equipment and logistics services delivering proppant or “frac sand” used during hydraulic fracturing operations. SOI’s patented proppant systems are manufactured by SOI at its facility in Early, Texas. After founding the business in 2014, Bill led SOI’s successful initial public offering on the New York Stock Exchange in May 2017.

Bill founded Solaris Water in 2016 to develop and deliver large-scale water infrastructure, disposal and recycling treatment solutions to the Upstream Industry in the Permian Basin. Solaris Water is already the largest third-party provider of recycled produced water in New Mexico with three full-scale recycling facilities and over 500 miles of pipeline located in some of the best acreage of the Permian Basin.

Prior to founding the Solaris Companies in 2014, Bill was a Founder and Managing Partner of Denham Capital Management, a global energy and commodities private equity firm. He led Denham’s

global investing activity in the midstream and oilfield services sectors and served on the investment and executive committees. While at Denham, Bill served on the boards of numerous portfolio companies, including NGL Energy Partners (NYSE:NGL), Gulf Atlantic Operations, and Kitimat LNG. Previously, Bill held the role of Senior Vice President and General Manager at Dynegy Inc., building and managing the natural gas liquids business. Prior to that he held the roles of Feedstock Trading Manager and Business Analyst at Dow Hydrocarbons and Resources.

Bill received the Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the year award for the Gulf Coast Region in 2018. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from The University of Texas at Austin and a Master of Business Administration from Texas A&M University. He also completed the Stanford Business School Executive Program and serves on the advisory board of the Cockrell School of Engineering at The University of Texas at Austin and the board of directors of the Texas Business Hall of Fame Foundation.