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IGMA Board of Directors announces new president

Ottawa, ON: The Insulating Glass Manufacturers Alliance (IGMA) Board of Directors has elected David Cooper of Guardian Industries Corp. as President for a two-year term. David brings in-depth, cross-functional fenestration industry experience that includes advanced IG systems such as vacuum insulated glass (VIG), high performance glass coatings, IG / glazing sealants and spacer systems.



"IGMA has demonstrated world-class leadership as a technical advisor in IG certification and as an advocate for the insulating glass manufacturers and their suppliers in North America," says David. "Working at Guardian's Science and Technology Center has provided me a great deal of leadership training, and I am honored to take over as president of IGMA. I look forward to serving the growing IGMA membership as well as the IG community."

David replaces outgoing president Ray Wakefield of Trulite Industries. The board thanks Ray for his contributions as President and his active participation at all levels of IGMA over the past 11 years.

Other board changes include election of Robert Gilles of All Weather Windows as Vice President and Mark Hutchinson from Intigral as Secretary/Treasurer. Four IGMA members were elected to the Board of Directors, Scott Cardwell from AGC Flat Glass N. America, Helen Sanders of Sage Electrochromics, Frank Caporiccio with PPG Industries and Crystal Archibald of Kohltech International.

The Board's Executive Committee created two new task groups. The first is led by Mike Burke of Edgetech, and is chartered with improving the focus on safety in the glass industry and recently broadcast a webinar on this subject. The second, chaired by Jennifer Kempf of Dow Corning, will promote the extensive value of IGMA to the IG industry.

The following board members were elected as Committee Chairs:

Technical Services Committee

Chairman: Ray Wakefield, Trulite Industries
Vice Chairman: Robert Gilles, All Weather Windows

Education and Certification Committee

Chair: Helen Sanders, Sage Electrochromics
Vice Chair: Jim Krahn, Marvin Windows

The board wishes to thank outgoing Chairs Tracy Rogers of Edgetech and Chris Barry of NSG for their service.

About IGMA:

Established on October 2, 2000, IGMA has been representing the North American industry for the past ten years though the organization's roots date back to 1967 when the Insulating Glass Manufacturers Association of Canada (IGMAC) and the Sealed Insulating Glass Manufacturers Association (SIGMA) were both incorporated. IGMA is acknowledged internationally as the leading technical organization for insulating glass.

For detailed information on IGMA please visit www.igmaonline.org

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