



BOMA CANADA RELEASE

BOMA Canada expands to eleven local associations

Ottawa, Ontario - BOMA Canada As one of the country's most active business associations, BOMA Canada is respected nationally as the voice of the commercial real estate industry. BOMA is celebrating its continued growth and success with the recent announcement of three new local affiliates in Atlantic Canada, bringing the number of local associations from coast to coast to eleven.

BOMA Canada has maintained a strong presence in the Atlantic region since the 1970's, with a thriving regional association based in Halifax representing the interests of numerous firms across all four eastern provinces. In the interest of providing a stronger local presence, BOMA Atlantic is currently being restructured. As a result, new agreements have just been signed, providing for the establishment, effective immediately, of three new BOMA Canada local associations; BOMA Nova Scotia, BOMA Newfoundland & Labrador, and BOMA New Brunswick, which will also include members from Prince Edward Island.

"We are confident that this new structure will enable each local association in Atlantic Canada to better able promote its service offerings to local members and the industry as a whole," says Ian Stewart, Chairman of BOMA Canada. "A strong local presence will enable each local association to meet the specialized needs of its membership as well as improving the delivering of BOMA programs and services in each province. Members will appreciate that the majority of their member dues will now be used locally to maintain and promote the key objectives of our organization, which are to provide advocacy, education and knowledge sharing through networking."

Transition teams are in place to complete the process of setting up the new BOMA local association in each province, which includes creating new websites (www.bomanovascotia.org; www.bomanl.com and www.bomanewbrunswick.com) Special effort will also be taken to explain the benefits of the new structure throughout the commercial real estate community represented by each local. As with other BOMA associations across the country, these new locals will be led by local volunteer members. "I am very pleased to welcome to the BOMA Canada Board of Directors three industry veterans who continue to make tremendous contributions to the commercial real estate industry in their own provinces: Kim Saunders, President of BOMA Newfoundland & Labrador, Emmitt Kelly, President of BOMA Nova Scotia and Tim Doherty, President of BOMA New Brunswick," says Mr. Stewart.

The Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) Canada is the voice of Canada's commercial real estate industry with over 2,500 members in regional associations across Canada. On behalf of the building owners, managers, developers, facilities managers, asset managers, leasing agents, brokers, and the product and service providers to over 1.9 Billion square feet of commercial real estate in Canada, BOMA Canada addresses issues of national concern, and promotes excellence in the industry through information, education, advocacy, and recognition.

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