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BCIA adds exceptional experience to its Management Committee

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Keen to lead the building energy management systems (BEMS) sector towards a greener and more sustainable future, the <u>Building Controls Industry Association (BCIA)</u> has added real strength in depth to its hugely important Management Committee.

Following a highly competitive nomination process, during which a record 10 nominations were received, the BCIA appointed Jonathan Feaver, General Manager UK & I at Priva to its committee. He joins Matt Brown, Managing Director at E.ON Control Solutions, who has been re-elected for another three-year term.

With more than 12 years' experience in the building controls industry, Jonathan has held various commercial and senior commercial roles at leading BEMS manufacturers. Gaining extensive knowledge in business development, strategy, and market growth, he focuses on driving innovation, particularly within the BEMS and IoT sectors, to help businesses adopt cutting-edge solutions and improve energy efficiency.

Jonathan replaces Simon Patman, who stood down after serving on the Committee for his three-year term. Having been an engaged participant at BCIA meetings and staying involved in ongoing industry conversations and initiatives, Jonathan revealed he was eager to join the committee to help contribute towards better education and knowledge-sharing within the industry.

He said: "By promoting continuous learning, I believe we can empower professionals at all levels to innovate and address the evolving challenges in our field. My goal is to help the industry grow by supporting new technologies and practices that align with energy efficiency and sustainability, which I see as key drivers for the future.

"I believe that my commercial expertise and deep understanding of market trends, combined with my



commitment to industry collaboration, uniquely position me to contribute to the BCIA committee's mission of advancing the building controls industry and shaping its future."

As the Managing Director of one of the largest BEMS integrators in the UK, Matt Brown offers significant sustainability expertise, further supported by his experience of working for E.ON Control Solutions' energy efficiency business. As someone without a BEMS technical background, Matt believes he brings a fresh perspective and diverse thinking to the role. He said: "I have served on the committee for the past three years and have found it very rewarding. I am very keen to work for the benefit of the building controls industry.

"I feel that I have been able to add a lot of value from a corporate governance, finance, and general business perspective to strengthen and professionalise the BCIA, and would like to continue with this."

Both nominees were elected by BCIA members to listen to, and represent the views of, its members and will begin their voluntary roles on 1st January 2025.

In addition to a three-year term of office, with the opportunity to succeed to a leadership position of Vice President and then President, both Matt and Jonathan will have the opportunity to raise their profiles, benefit from additional learning and development, and make key decisions to deliver greater impact in the building automation sector.

BCIA President Stacey Lucas praised the determination and desire shown by both Jonathan and Matt to drive the building controls sector forward. She said: "Both Jonathan and Matt bring incredible experience to the committee and we look forward to working alongside them over the next three years.

"With smart buildings becoming ever popular, the building controls industry is set to play a vital role in the UK's journey towards net zero. Jonathan, Matt, and the other members of the Management Committee are going to be hugely important in driving the industry forward and increasing awareness of the importance of building controls."

The BCIA is committed to achieving a balanced and inclusive Management Committee that is representative of its membership, promotes diversity, and has a blend of knowledge and experience to drive the association forward.