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GANNA'S BEC DIVISION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE TAKES FLIGHT

(TOPEKA) - The Glass Association of North America's (GANNA) Building Envelope Contractors (BEC) Division Technical Committee has refocused its efforts under the leadership of Henry Taylor of the Kawneer Company, and its agenda is filling quickly in advance of their next full meeting in February. The meeting, which officially kicks off the BEC Conference, will take place at 9:00 a.m., February 17, 2008, at the Rio All-Suites Resort and Casino in Las Vegas.

"Commercial fenestration systems continually advance with new products, applications and standards," said Greg Carney, GANNA's Technical Director. "The BEC Division Technical Committee is the primary vehicle to ensure that our members are aware of issues and opportunities and have an active voice in addressing codes and standards."

The Committee consists of the following members:

- Henry Taylor (Chair) - Kawneer Company, Inc.
- Steve Austin - 3M
- Christopher Carter - Momentive Performance Materials, Inc. (formerly GE Advanced Materials)
- Ted Derby Pohl Inc. of America
- Don Earnheart - Trainor Glass Company
- Raj Goyal - Graham Architectural Products Corporation
- Jeff Griffiths - SAFTI FIRST Fire Rated Glazing Solutions
- Gary Houdek - Wausau Window & Wall Systems
- Ken Hummel - Bacon & Van Buskirk Glass Co., Inc.
- Mark Jennings - 3M - Industrial Adhesives & Tapes Division
- Jon Kimberlain - Dow Corning Corporation
- John Neunlist - Admiral Glass & Mirror
- Paul Rowan - Trainor Glass Company
- Rodney Van Buskirk - Bacon & Van Buskirk Glass Co., Inc.
- Roger Watson - Saint-Gobain
- Stanley Yee - The Facade Group, Inc.

"We have assembled an excellent team of professional experts in the industry," said Taylor. "Our consensus approach on the Committee will enable us to study and solve some of the biggest issues facing glazing contractors on the job today."

Short-Term objectives for the Committee include:

- Create a Glass Informational Bulletin on Boiler Plate Bid Qualifications
- Update sections in the GANNA Glazing Manual for the 2008 edition, 50th Anniversary

- Author a new GANA manual on architectural fenestration framing systems
- Publish a Glass Informational Bulletin on Key Elements of Fenestration Elements in Shop Drawings

Attendance is encouraged at the Committee's meeting in Las Vegas, as well as membership. Any GANA member wishing to take part in the Committee's future activities should contact the GANA Headquarters at (785) 271-0208 to join the Committee. Anyone wishing to attend the Committee meeting as part of the BEC Conference should register on the GANA website at www.glasswebsite.com/events.