HVAC Advisory Council: An assembly of ventilation, air cleaning, infection prevention & control experts and CRE Industry representation

The BOMA Toronto Return to Work Committee (BTRTWC) was created to drive dialogue and to help our membership and the Commercial Real Estate (CRE) Industry reopen buildings and return to work safely following the period of COVID-19 lockdown and containment measures. The heightened concerns regarding the potential spread of SARS-CoV-2 (the virus that causes COVID-19) through building HVAC systems remains a very important focus for BOMA Toronto and all of our members. In order to address these concerns, the BTRTWC emphasized the role that BOMA Toronto could play to engage its membership and the CRE Industry at large to help disseminate science and evidence-based information on indoor air quality as part of its efforts to promote health and wellness in buildings.

Introducing the HVAC Advisory Council and its panel of experts and industry leaders.

Co-Chairs:
- Bronwen Edgar Risk Manager - Sunnybrook Health Science Centre, Epidemiologist; Infection prevention & control
- Dr. Brian Fleck Professor, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, University of Alberta; HVAC system expert; Area of current research HVAC - “non-pharmaceutical intervention”
- Luke Leung Director – Skidmore Owings & Merrill; Member of ASHRAE Epidemic Task Force; Vice Chair, Environmental Health Committee – ASHRAE; UK Royal Academy of Engineering COVID-19 Task Force
- Dr. Jeffrey Siegel Professor, Department of Civil and Mineral Engineering, University of Toronto; Ventilations & Air Cleaning Expert

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David Matarasso Principal – Property Management, BentallGreenOak
Randall Rothbart Partner, Solomon Rothbart Goodman LLP; BOMA Toronto Legal Counsel – on the Board of Directors
Gary Summers Partner & President, Crown Property Management

BOMA Toronto members:
- Susan Allen: President & CEO
- Bala Gnanam: VP - Energy, Environment & Advocacy
- Gail Taylor: Sr. Manager – Marketing & Communication

To all the council members, on behalf of the membership and our Board of Directors, we are deeply grateful for your engagement, your time and for sharing your expertise and insights.

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