

## Your Controls Association



Building Controls Industry Association

*This issue of BCIA News has been specifically written for all of our member companies' staff. People who know their own company, know who the competition is, but may not be aware that their company and their competitors belong to a national controls organisation.*

### **We've arrived:**

The Building Controls Industry Association—or BCIA for short—was formed in October 2003 and launched to the public, via the trade press, in May of this year.

For over a decade the building controls industry had been operating across two organisations: the Building Controls Group (BCG) and the Control System Specialists Group (CSSG). Their separate interests, generally falling into the categories of manufacturer and system installer, was a leading factor for this development.

As the BCIA we are now recog-

nised as *the* building controls association, attracting the attention of CIBSE (the Chartered Institute of Building Services Engineers) and leading consultants which are keen to work alongside the BCIA and its members.

The structure of the Association comprises the Management Committee, equally represented by BCG and CSSG members, and four working groups: Contracts, Marketing, Skills Development, and Training.

Today we have 40 member companies, but we hope to see that grow in future years.

### **Plans for the Web:**

A major attraction of the BCG web site had been its free downloads. The BCIA intends to continue providing free information in the form of guides and other material from its new FETA site. Our web pages are under construction—we'll keep you informed of progress.

### **Published Information:**

**WEEE** Guidance notes from DTI available early July ([www.dti.gov.uk/sustainability/weee](http://www.dti.gov.uk/sustainability/weee)).

**BSRIA** has published The Building Services Report covering the size and structure of the industry, incorporating M&E contracting, facilities management, professional services, manufacturing and equipment ([www.bsria.co.uk](http://www.bsria.co.uk)).

**BSI** Environmental Management: building tomorrow's future today, this and other publications at ([www.bsi-global.com/environmental](http://www.bsi-global.com/environmental)).

### **BCIA Groups**

#### **Management Committee:**

Doug Robins, AES Controls  
(BCIA President)

Terry Sharp, Sontay  
(BCIA Vice President)

Paul Blower, BTS

David Bucknall, ISS Concord

Mark Carmody, CE Controls

Steve Harrison, York

Chris Monson, Novar

Kathryn Smethurst, Ambiflex

#### **Contracts Group:**

Chairman: Pat Donnelly, Invensys

#### **Marketing Group:**

Chairman: John Nicholls, Andover

#### **Skills Development Group:**

Chairman: Doug Robins, AES Controls

#### **Technical Group:**

Chairman: Paul Frost, Andover

### **Move to FETA**

With the BCIA's interests firmly rooted in building services and construction, the Association will be moving to the Federation of Environmental Trade Associations (FETA) in 2005.

The BCIA will be their third largest association, other members are:

- \* British Refrigeration Association
- \* Heating, Ventilating & Air Conditioning Manufacturers Association
- \* British Flue & Chimney Manufacturers Association
- \* Heat Pump Association

Those wishing to learn more about FETA can visit their web site: [www.feta.co.uk](http://www.feta.co.uk).