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PFPPF welcomes new member FETA

The Federation of Environmental Trade Associations Ltd (FETA) has become the Passive Fire Protection Federation's (PFPPF) latest member. David Sugden, Chairman of the PFPPF, says: "FETA brings technical knowledge of further built-in fire protection products such as smoke control dampers, smoke control fans and ventilation equipment."

FETA is a federation of six main associations in the building services sector, including the Association of Ductwork Contractors and Allied Services (ADCAS) and the Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning Manufacturers Association (HEVAC). Within HEVAC, the two main specialist groups that are relevant to the PFPPF are the Fire & Smoke Damper Committee and the Smoke Control Association (SCA).

"We joined the PFPPF because we can get information on new fire safety regulation (eg Approved Document B) sooner," explains Paul White, Chairman of the HEVAC Fire & Smoke Damper Committee, "thanks to its regular meetings with Government. FETA can also help with consultation on new construction products regulation. I'd recommend the PFPPF to all associations seeking closer links with Government, and better awareness of existing fire legislation, and relevant regulations liable to change."

For more information on FETA visit www.feta.co.uk. For advice and guidance on built-in, or 'passive' fire protection, or to join the PFPPF, visit www.pfppf.org.

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Image attached: Paul White, Chairman of the HEVAC Fire & Smoke Damper Committee

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Editors' notes: The Passive Fire Protection Federation (PFPF - www.pfpf.org) is dedicated to growing awareness and giving advice on fire protection, and the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (RRO). The Federation brings together the collective expertise of the passive fire protection industry and provides a central forum so that the Industry speaks with one voice to articulate the benefits and value of passive fire protection in the achievement of fire safe building design and construction.

Passive fire protection is the primary measure integrated within the constructional fabric of a building to provide inherent fire safety and protection by responding against flame, heat and smoke to maintain the fundamental requirements of building compartmentation, structural stability, fire separation and safe means of escape.

Passive fire protection measures achieve their intended purpose by raising the fire resistance of the structure, protecting the structure against the effects of fire, reducing fire spread through secondary ignition, limiting the movement of flame and smoke, and minimising the danger of fire-induced collapse or structural distortion.

Our website www.pfpf.org carries advice on what to check and best practice in all passive fire protection measures.

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