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## Hélène Vaillancourt of CSA Group Joins CABA Board of Directors

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The Board of Directors of the Continental Automated Buildings Association is pleased to announce the appointment of Hélène Vaillancourt, Executive Vice President, Science & Engineering, CSA Group to the Board.

“Hélène Vaillancourt has been key to promoting standards interoperability throughout multiple technology industries,” says Ronald J. Zimmer, CABA President & CEO. “She will bring to CABA a wealth of talent and global experience that will benefit our membership and associated industry stakeholders.”

Vaillancourt’s responsibilities at CSA Group include overseeing the company’s global laboratories in Europe, North America and Asia. She also leads the organization’s core technical team that supports certification and testing capabilities and training, and develops new capabilities in emerging and new technology areas. She champions cross-functional teams that are working on improving operational efficiencies and leads the team that ensures the integrity of the CSA Certification Mark.

“I am delighted to join the CABA Board and to use my global industry experience to help contribute to CABA’s on-going and future business initiatives,” says Vaillancourt. “CABA is an important industry association that represents the collective interest of the home and building automation industry in North America and provides an international industry network that is of significant value to its members and stakeholders.”

Hélène Vaillancourt joined CSA Group in October 1999 as the Team Leader, Certification Services for the Montreal office of CSA Group. Prior to joining CSA Group, Vaillancourt was with CRIQ (Centre de recherche industrielle du Québec) as the Team Coordinator for the Mechanical Laboratory, where custom testing services were offered to evaluate the static and dynamic resistance of new product designs in a variety of sizes, starting from metallic storage boxes to subway truck frames. Vaillancourt started her career with the Industrial Material Institute of the National Research Council of Canada. Vaillancourt graduated in mechanical engineering from Laval University. She obtained her MASc in mechanical engineering from École Polytechnique in Montreal by doing research in the field of biomechanics. She also earned her doctorate in mechanical engineering from the University of Toronto. Her research in the field of dentistry had both numerical and experimental aspects.

### About CABA

The Continental Automated Buildings Association (CABA) is a leading industry association that promotes advanced technologies in homes and buildings in North America. More information is available at <http://www.caba.org/>.

**About CSA Group**

CSA Group is an independent, not-for-profit membership association dedicated to safety, social good and sustainability. Its knowledge and expertise encompass standards development; training and advisory solutions; global testing and certification services across key business areas including hazardous location and industrial, plumbing and construction, medical, safety and technology, appliances and gas, alternative energy, lighting and sustainability; as well as consumer product evaluation services. The CSA certification mark appears on billions of products worldwide. For more information about CSA Group visit [www.csagroup.org](http://www.csagroup.org).

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