



Chairman Appointed For B&ES Ventilation Hygiene Branch

Richard Norman, Managing Director of Indepth Hygiene, has been appointed Chairman of the Building and Engineering Services Association (B&ES) Ventilation Hygiene branch.

Norman, who has been Managing Director of the specialist ventilation cleaning services provider for over 10 years, will hold the post for two years. He commented: "My focus will be on raising awareness of the imminent TR19 launch, to ensure that all relevant stakeholders are fully aware of the changes and what they mean for the industry. In addition, I will be concentrating on ventilation hygiene related issues, whether new cleaning techniques and equipment or duct cleaning specific, health and safety issues."

Norman holds qualifications from the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators, and the Chartered

Institute of Marketing, and has already done much to refine standards and guidelines and raise awareness of key issues within the industry. In 2005, he was elected Deputy Chairman of the B&ES Ventilation Hygiene branch, and was a part of the subcommittee who re-wrote the industry standard TR/17 document, to create TR/19 – this set out a guide to good practice around the internal cleanliness of ventilation systems. Six years later, he joined the working party which created the first industry-wide training programme for ductwork cleaning – the Greenbook Training Scheme – in 2011.

Norman is currently part of the team undertaking a revamp of TR/19, and, on behalf of the UK industry, he has been appointed to the CEN Committee which is now adding grease extract cleaning to the European ISO BS EN 15780 standard.

