



## **BOMA CANADA HONOURS EXCELLENCE IN COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE**

VANCOUVER, October 10, 2003 — The Building Owners and Managers Association of Canada has announced the winners of this year's national awards in recognition of excellence in the Canadian commercial real estate industry.

The President of BOMA Canada, Margaret Dreher, RPA, offered her congratulations to the winners and to all the finalists, each of whom has already been an award winner at the local level. "BOMA Canada's national awards program recognizes the very best of the dynamic Canadian commercial real estate industry," Dreher said. "These awards acknowledge the special efforts made by those in the industry whose leadership and hard work set new benchmarks and define the shape of things to come."

Dreher presented the awards during BOMEX® 2003, BOMA Canada's annual conference and exposition, held from October 1 - 3 at the Vancouver Convention and Exhibition Centre.

**The Office Building of the Year (TOBY) Awards** salute the stars of the commercial real estate industry, recognizing excellence in property management, operations, resource conservation, environmental awareness, leasing and building design, customer service and innovation.

All facets of a building's operations are thoroughly evaluated during the judging process, including tenant relations programs, community involvement, emergency evacuation procedures, property management functions, maintenance programs, operating costs and control procedures, security and life safety procedures, energy management programs, environmental programs, architectural significance and appearance, and staff development programs.

The competition consists of three levels of judging: the first level of competition is at the local level, by local BOMA associations across Canada. Winning local entries then advance to the national level; and finally Canada's national winners are eligible to advance to the BOMA International competition in 2004.

Winners of the prestigious 2003 national TOBY Awards were announced in nine categories.

**The Office Building of the Year – Corporate Facility**

Winner: **Casino Nova Scotia**

Metropolitan Entertainment Group , Halifax, Nova Scotia

**The Office Building of the Year – Renovated Building**

Winner: **Bell Canada Centre**

SNC Lavalin ProFac Inc. , Toronto, Ontario

**The Office Building of the Year – Suburban Office Park (mid-rise)**

Winner: **Blackwood Business Centre**

Kanata Research Park Corporation, Ottawa, Ontario

**The Office Building of the Year – Government Building**

Winner: **Royal Canadian Mounted Police 'K' Division Headquarters Building**

Public Works and Government Services Canada – Western Region,

Edmonton, Alberta

**The Office Building of the Year – Historical Building**Winner: **Queen's Quay Terminal**

Brookfield Properties Corporation, Toronto, Ontario

**The Office Building of the Year – 100,000 - 249,999 Square Feet**Winner: **Sovereign Centre**

CDCL/Bayview Real Estate Management Inc., Calgary, Alberta

**The Office Building of the Year – 250,000 – 499,999 Square Feet**Winner: **1 Dundas Street West**

The Cadillac Fairview Corporation, Toronto, Ontario

**The Office Building of the Year – 500,000 - One Million Square Feet**Winner: **20 Queen Street West**

The Cadillac Fairview Corporation, Toronto, Ontario

**The Office Building of the Year – Over One Million Square Feet**Winner: **The Canadian Broadcasting Centre**

SNC Lavalin ProFac Inc., Toronto, Ontario

BOMA Canada's **Pinnacle Awards** recognize companies that represent a standard of excellence to which all BOMA members and their employees should aspire. The Pinnacle Awards recognize innovation, teamwork, outstanding service and commitment to clients. BOMA Canada announced winners in four categories.

**Pinnacle Award– Above & Beyond**Winner: **SynchroSERV Inc., Vancouver, British Columbia****Pinnacle Award – Innovation**Winner: **Jacques Whitford Environment Limited, Edmonton, Alberta****Pinnacle Award - Customer Service, Owner/Manager Company**Winner: **Cadillac Fairview-Toronto Eaton Centre Properties, Toronto, Ontario****Pinnacle Award - Customer Service, Supplier Company**Winner: **Wardrop Engineering, Winnipeg, Manitoba**

The **Earth Award** is BOMA Canada's recognition of excellence in resource preservation and environmentally sound commercial building management. The BOMA Canada Earth Award for 2003 was presented to a building that has made significant efforts to address environmental issues faced by both older and newer buildings.

Winner: **The Alberta Research Council Building**

Alberta Infrastructure, Edmonton, Alberta

Finally, BOMA Canada's **President's Award** recognizes a singularly outstanding contribution to BOMA Canada and its members. Margaret Dreher was pleased to announce **David W. Patton** from Ottawa, as the recipient of the 2003 President's Award, for his exceptional commitment and dedication to the association.

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The Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) Canada, the voice of the Canadian commercial real estate industry, is comprised of over 2000 members from coast to coast, representing over 500 million square feet of office space in Canada. BOMA Canada represents the Canadian commercial real estate industry on matters of national concern, promotes excellence in the industry through information, education and recognition, and, through BOMA International, provides recognized industry standards and research.

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