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**To: All Branches**

Dear Colleagues,

**World Ventil8 Day – Theme ‘Improving Ventilation for a Healthier World’ - Free Webinar For Health and Safety Reps on Tuesday 8 November 2022 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM:**

This is to notify CWU health and Safety Reps in particular and any CWU Rep with interest that the Building Engineering Services Association (BESA) have launched ‘World Ventil8 Day’ with the theme of ‘Improving Ventilation for a Healthier World’ and they’ve announced a **‘World Ventil8 Day Live Webinar’** with various partners and academics involved on a panel of experts.

The Webinar is ‘free’ to attend and attendees will join a BESA compiled panel of experts. The Webinar will discuss how good ventilation can improve health, safety and wellbeing as well as protect buildings. The Webinar will share top ventilation tips and practical solutions to implement in workplaces, homes and schools. Some of the ‘key questions’ addressed will be:

- What is ventilation?
- What is the right solution for my building?
- How does it improve sleep/health/productivity?
- How do I know if I have a ventilation problem?
- Can ventilation really reduce the spread of flu, colds, viruses and other diseases?
- Energy costs mean I don’t want to open my windows in winter – what options do I have?

BESA are supporting the global awareness campaign to promote the critical role building ventilation plays in improving health, safety, well-being, sleep and productivity alongside scientists, academics, engineering bodies and environmental activists.

As well as showcasing the range of ventilation solutions available to building owners and occupiers, ‘WorldVentil8Day’ will recognise the skilled people who implement the measures and strategies used to make buildings healthier and safer – highlighting the need for training and recruiting more skilled people to take on this growing global, challenging task.

BESA are planning a series of events and knowledge sharing about reducing ventilation, combatting exposure to air pollutants and infectious diseases and reducing mould and damp in buildings with ventilation solutions available to building owners and occupiers and implementing measures and strategies used to make buildings healthier and safer –

highlighting the need for training and recruiting more skilled people to take on this growing global task.

BESA are a membership organisation formerly known as the Heating and Ventilating Contractors' Association (HVCA). Now trading as BESA, their primary focus is to support and serve their members active in the design, installation, commissioning, maintenance, control and management of engineering systems and services in buildings. BESA takes an active interest in the building services and the wider construction industries, voicing their professional views and driving for initiatives that represent the best interests of those who work within the built environment. They safeguard industry skills in regard to delivering industry specific training. Representing the industry in gaining agreement from clients including insurers, councils and retailers to specify BESA accredited members in future tenders. Spearheading mental health awareness and championing the business case for diversity. They establish technical standards and best practice guides, develop and deliver industry specific training to represent best standards across the UK, provide accreditation schemes and promote good quality.

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**Registration on-line is at this link: -**

**<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3133848259128007947>**

**12:00pm GMT - Tuesday 8 November 2022**

Yours sincerely



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