



Blake E. Ellis, PE, principal, Burns & McDonnell, Kansas City, Mo., was installed as director and regional chair of Region IX of ASHRAE

at its 2014 Annual Conference. In this role, Ellis serves on ASHRAE's board of directors and as director and regional chair of the society's Region IX, which covers Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming, western Missouri and far western Texas. He will serve a three-year term from 2014 to 2017. Ellis has been a member of ASHRAE Technical Committees 6.2 District Energy and 6.9 Thermal Storage as well as the Honors and Awards Committee. He has served as historian of the Kansas City chapter, chaired all committees of the Kansas City chapter and served as chapter president in 2011-2012. Ellis has received three Technology Awards from ASHRAE. He holds Master of Business Administration and Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering degrees from the University of Minnesota.



Auburn Manufacturing (AMI), maker of high-performance textile products for extreme-temperature industrial applications, has

announced that **Mary K. Wagner** has joined the company as technical and product development manager. Wagner will oversee and direct all technical aspects of the company's products with a heavy concentration on innovation by leading the new product development process for AMI. A native Mainer, Wagner is a graduate of the University of Maine at Orono with a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering. She most recently held positions at Great Northern Paper as technical director and Verso Paper as quality manager/product performance and development.



Danfoss has hired **David Boezi** as senior director, strategy and global platforms, based in Baltimore, Md. Boezi will help Danfoss

tailor its high-efficiency compressor portfolio, including scroll and inverter compressors, to respond to changing customer needs and market demands. His extensive background in the HVAC industry includes an 18-year history with Emerson Climate Technologies' Copeland scroll compressor business, where he served in various roles from general management to strategy and platform management. Boezi also was formerly chief operating officer and vice president, business development, at Melink Corp. He received a Master of Business Administration degree from the J.L. Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and holds a Bachelor of Science in electrical engineering from Cornell University.



Markham District Energy President and CEO **Bruce Ander** was presented with a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal by

Markham, Ont., Mayor Frank Scarpitti at a special council meeting for community recognition in May. Ander received his nomination for the award from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities for his contributions to the municipal sector. He has more than 30 years' experience in the Ontario energy sector with specific expertise developing high-efficiency cogeneration, distributed generation and district energy projects. Ander has served as Markham District Energy president and CEO since 2002. In addition to currently serving as IDEA vice chair he is a member of the Advisory Committee for QUEST (Quality Urban Energy Systems of Tomorrow) and is chair of the Markhaven

Home for Seniors and its fundraising arm, the Markhaven Foundation.



HGA Architects and Engineers (HGA) has hired **Ehsan Dehbashi** as an energy and infrastructure principal in the firm's Minneapolis

office. He will direct new business development and overall project management of central/district energy systems, energy master planning, on-site campus/building energy infrastructure systems, energy audits, commissioning and renewable energy opportunities nationally. Before joining HGA, he served in leadership positions with COWI North America Energy, Chevron Energy Solutions, FVB Energy-Minneapolis, Trigen Energy-Boston and -Philadelphia (Veolia Energy), Hartford Steam Co. (DCO Energy) and Noresco. Dehbashi has a Master of Business Administration degree with a concentration in general management from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, a Master of Science in industrial management from Connecticut State University and a Bachelor of Science in petroleum engineering from Marietta College.



Joe Sullivan, vice president of energy policy and development at Concord Engineering will be serving on Rutgers University's Eco-

Complex Advisory Board. The EcoComplex, which performs research and develops new technologies to address pressing alternative energy, environmental, solid waste and resource recovery issues faced in New Jersey, is a partnership with the Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders. The EcoComplex functions as a hub of education and outreach for the entire alternative energy and environmental community. Sullivan has 35 years of supervisory,