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**IBA's John Hannum is Awarded ASHRAE's Building Energy Modeling Professional Certification (BEMP). One of Only Three Professionals in New York City to Achieve this Distinction.**

New York City –John Hannum, Vice President of IBA Energy & Building Sciences, a division of Israel Berger & Associates, LLC has earned the Building Energy Modeling Professional (BEMP) certification from the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE). He is currently one of only three people in New York City to earn this certification.

The ASHRAE certification program attests to an individual's ability to evaluate, choose, use, calibrate and interpret the results of energy modeling software when applied to buildings and systems energy performance and economics. It also confirms an individual's competence to model new and existing buildings and systems with their full range of physics.

"An ASHRAE certification benefits building owners, employers and individuals," says ASHRAE President Gordon Holness. "Firms who employ ASHRAE-certified professionals are better able to promote their services, and individuals who are certified approach their responsibilities with greater confidence. ASHRAE certification helps professionals demonstrate that they have mastered a certain body of knowledge and can provide outstanding services in their area of expertise."

Leading IBA's Energy & Building Sciences, John Hannum is a licensed Mechanical Engineer, Certified Energy Manager (CEM), and LEED Accredited Professional (AP) with over 10 years experience in sustainable design, installation, and operation of mechanical systems. John is also an assistant adjunct professor at the New York University Schack Institute of Real Estate where he teaches a course "High Performance Energy-Efficient Buildings.

IBA Energy & Building Sciences provides energy consulting services to building owners, developers, managers and architects. IBA offers assessment, benchmarking, auditing, financial incentives, building modeling and non-destructive testing. This division integrates, evaluates, and analyzes energy efficiency measures to promote financial transparency so decision makers can be better informed about potential energy efficiency improvements and return on investments.

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