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Fred Ringe named Energy Executive of the Year

Fred Ringe, EMA Chicago, Inc., has been named "Energy Management Executive of the Year" by the Chicago Chapter of the Association of Energy Engineers. The award was presented at the chapter's Oct. 26 meeting, at the Holiday Inn in Willowbrook, Ill.

EMA (Energy Management Associates), which provides commissioning and contract management service for schools and other institutional and commercial buildings, most recently improved the ventilation system at Glenbrook North High School, in Glenview, Ill. Ringe, president of EMA, said the lack of outdoor air in the old system was a key source of trouble particularly in and near the school's weight lifting gymnasium. Converting the gymnasium to a high-aerobic spin class required increased fresh air flow to match this new elevated demand. A simple solution to a complex problem featured a FreshAire™ ventilation system that optimizes airflow to reduce carbon dioxide levels as well as balancing indoor and outdoor conditions in this dynamic environment. With the success of this project, the school district is considering extending the new FreshAire™ system to other parts of the school.

The FreshAire™ ventilation system received an "Excellence in Engineering Award" in 2004 by the Illinois Chapter of the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers, Inc. (ASHRAE) for its ability to provide air that meets building codes and energy-efficiency standards in constricted spaces like classrooms.

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