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**NGA and GANA Announce Integration Task Force**  
*Industry volunteers turn to details of combining the two associations.*

December 20, 2017--The National Glass Association (NGA), Vienna, VA, and the Glass Association of North America (GANA), Topeka, KS, Boards of Directors have each appointed three representatives to serve on an Integration Task Force to oversee and advise the Board on transition and integration matters.

The Representatives are:

NGA  
Michael Albert, S. Albert Glass Co.  
Angelo Rivera, Faour Glass Technologies  
Nicole Harris, NGA President & CEO

GANA  
Ren Bartoe, Vesuvius USA  
Julia Schimmelpenningh, Eastman Chemical Co.  
Stanley Yee, Dow Corning

The Integration Task Force was designated for this duty in the Agreement drafted by the Joint Task Force and resumes discussions following the conclusion of the combination transaction details and new Bylaws approved by both Boards of Directors. This newly formed Task Force will articulate the technical document development plan, voting and approval for technical publications, and the process to advocate for a formal position before a third-party code group.

Please [click here](#) for previous releases covering news of the combination and [here](#) for updated FAQs.

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ABOUT NGA: Founded in 1948, the National Glass Association (NGA), [www.glass.org](http://www.glass.org), is the largest trade association serving the architectural glass and metals industry, and represents the interests of glazing contractors, glass retailers and glass fabricators. The NGA provides education and training programs for its member companies through its online training site [MyGlassClass.com](http://MyGlassClass.com), and keeps them informed through the [Glass Magazine's](#) print and electronic publications. The NGA also produces the industry's largest annual trade show in the Americas, [GlassBuild America](#), and hosts the [Glazing Executives Forum](#) bringing together thousands of industry professionals to help them build more profitable businesses.

ABOUT GANA: The Glass Association of North America (GANA), [www.glasswebsite.com](http://www.glasswebsite.com), is a progressive, innovative association where pride and enthusiasm for a career in architectural glass and glazing is fostered through educational events, technical resource development and relationship-building opportunities. GANA provides a forum for exchanging information that is relevant in the constantly changing glass and glazing industry. It is a technical powerhouse that brings some of the best minds to the table to promote and advocate for glass in buildings.