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More Than 60 Companies Achieve ISSA's Cleaning Industry Management Standard Certification

[Rosemont, IL – August 12, 2021] – ISSA, the worldwide cleaning industry association, is proud to announce that more than 60 companies have achieved ISSA Cleaning Industry Management Standard (CIMS) certification in 2021. Among those are 10 organizations from Canada. Designed to help companies improve the quality and efficiency of their business and cleaning operations, CIMS outlines the primary characteristics of a successful cleaning organization.

“We’re excited to welcome both new and renewing companies to our growing list of CIMS-certified organizations,” said ISSA Executive Director John Barrett. “It has never been more important for businesses to showcase their commitment to facility cleanliness, and these firms that have achieved CIMS certification understand that to the fullest.”

Created by the industry, for the industry, CIMS is the cleaning industry’s first consensus-based management standard. It assists cleaning organizations in developing an operational system that improves cleanliness outcomes and contains costs at the same time.

This year’s new and renewing Canadian CIMS-certified organizations include:

- **Alpine Building Maintenance** – Delta, BC.
- **Calgary Board of Education** – Calgary, AB.
- **Envirosafe Janitorial Inc.** – Surrey, BC.
- **Exclusive Maintenance** – Laval, QC.
- **Oxford Properties** – Toronto, ON.
- **Queen’s University** – Kingston, ON.
- **St. Francis Xavier University** – Antigonish, NS.
- **Ultra-Tech Cleaning Systems** – Vancouver, BC.
- **University of Toronto** – Toronto, ON.
- **Westcare Facility Services Ltd.** – Calgary, AB.

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Designed to assist cleaning organizations of all sizes, CIMS applies five core elements of management best practices – quality systems; service delivery; human resources; health, safety and environmental stewardship; and management commitment – and requires a cleaning company or in-house cleaning department to meet 100 per cent of the mandatory elements and 60 per cent of the recommended elements, per section. The green building certification, CIMS-GB, can help organizations earn points under the U.S. Green Building Council’s LEED for Existing Buildings: Operations & Maintenance (LEED EB: O&M), thereby supporting customers seeking LEED certification. For CIMS and CIMS-GB, an ISSA-accredited third-party assessor conducts an on-site review to ensure the organization’s activities are consistent with the documented systems and processes.

“We applaud all of these organizations that have chosen to elevate their standards of cleanliness and management best practices to deliver quality results consistently,” added Barrett.

For more information about CIMS, visit www.issa-canada.com/cims.