

People Moves: August, 2024

This month saw construction professionals' step into new roles as CEOs, presidents, vice presidents and more.



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[Sameer Hasham](#) has been named a Top 10 Under 40 Canadian Consulting Engineer. An associate and group leader, Hasham has been with [RJC Engineers](#) for almost 15 years ever since his co-op placement back in 2010.

[Michelle Ajibola](#) is [QM Environmental's](#) new chief operating officer. She brings nearly 20 years of experience in the engineering and construction industry to QM and has a track record of strategic initiatives that drive growth and strengthen stakeholder relationships.

[Luke Forrest](#) is now vice president of sales at [Bridgit](#). Forrest brings extensive experience in construction technology and the SaaS startup space.

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I am ecstatic to join Bridgit and lead our future go-to-market sales efforts. I believe one of the biggest changes coming to construction is how companies globally will manage and allocate their most valuable resource: their people.

Luke Forrest, VP of Sales, Bridgit

[Amanda Jarl](#) has started a new position as [Transportation Investment Corporation's](#) senior communications and engagement manager for the Surrey-Langley SkyTrain Project. Previously, Jarl worked as senior communications and engagement manager for marketing firm [SitePartners](#).

[Brittany Robertson](#) and [Jurgen Koehler](#) have been named partners at land development and building industry consulting firm [Crozier](#).



Crozier has named two new partners, Jurgen Koehler, P.Eng., and Brittany Robertson, P.Eng. – Crozier

[Greg Weimholt](#) has been named [PCL's](#) national director of data centres and mission critical. With over 30 years of design and construction experience spanning all phases of project development, including colocation, hyperscale campuses, enterprise and telecom facilities, Weimholt brings a wealth of expertise to the role.

Past [Canadian Construction Association](#) President [Don Chutter](#) recently celebrated his 100th birthday. The association stated that Chutter's visionary leadership and 22 years (1950 to 1973) of dedicated service have significantly shaped the industry and paved the way for future generations.

[Scot Paterson](#) has joined [Pretium Construction West](#) as its new vice president, operations and project execution. Paterson brings 15 years of extensive experience in the construction industry having held senior leadership positions as both a general contractor and owner advocate consultant.

[Megan Richardson](#) has joined [Faber Technologies](#) as an account manager to help fix the labour and trade shortage in the Calgary market.

[Damien Stoneham](#) is now managing principal of [RJC Engineers'](#) Vancouver office. Over the past five years, he has been mentored by Jeff Corbett, the former managing principal, who held the position for 22 years.

[Ryan Anderson](#) recently began a new role as talent acquisition manager for [Axiom Builders](#).

[Elia Edwards](#) is now vice president of integrated water solutions for [Associated Engineering](#). Most recently, Edwards was the division manager, water in the Toronto office and has been with the company for over 27 years.

[Nigel Tai](#), a principal at [Diamond Schmitt](#), has been appointed to Ottawa's [Urban Review Design Panel](#). He will help promote design excellence with a focus on community enhancement.



The Alexandra Park Passive House Pilot Project was designed by Nigel Tai, principal at Diamond Schmitt Architects. – Diamond Schmitt

[Tim Murphy](#) has been welcomed by [Aecon](#) as its new executive vice president and chief strategic affairs officer. Most recently serving as managing partner and CEO of [McMillan LLP](#), as well as managing director of McMillan Vantage Public Affairs, Murphy joins Aecon with over three decades of experience.

[Rob McKinney](#) has joined [SALUS](#) as its new construction safety evangelist. He brings more than 20 years of experience to the role. McKinney first began as a site safety manager at [J.M. Wilkerson](#), advanced to safety director, and later ventured into the construction software space with companies like [JBKnowledge](#), [Rhumbix](#), and [Safesite](#).

[Sabine Just](#) is leaving the [Independent Contractors and Businesses Association](#) after 13 years to pursue a career in real estate with [O'Brien Group](#).

[Ed Mocnik](#) has been named vice president of construction at [Yellowridge Construction](#). Starting from the ground, Mocnik has accumulated more than 30 years of hands-on experience in the construction industry.

[Chris Moran](#), general counsel for [Maple Reinders](#), has been appointed chair of the [Ontario Bar Association's](#) Construction and Infrastructure committee.

[Peter Davoren](#) and [Javier Sevilla](#) will helm [Flatiron Dragados](#) as chairman and CEO, respectively. The new company is the result of a merger between Flatiron Construction and Dragados in North America.

[Bill Tucker](#), CEO of Omicron, has been appointed the bridge CEO to oversee the restructuring and expansion of green building technology company [NEXII](#) (formerly Nexii).

[Earle Henderson](#) is [GRP Construction's](#) new vice president of construction.

[Megan O'Flaherty](#) has been appointed chief financial officer at [Emil Anderson Group](#). She joined the team in February 2023. Her background includes ten years in public practice accounting at MNP and two years as CFO at Ntityx Development Corporation.

[Dante Gamboa](#) has officially joined the business development team at [505-Junk](#). Gamboa has been with the company for more than two years, starting as a sales coordinator.

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His transition into this new role is a testament to his hard work and commitment to our mission. We're excited to see Dante continue to drive our growth and create even more opportunities for 505-Junk.

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[Robert Buchmann](#) is now president at [Ideal Welders Ltd.](#) Buchmann started his career at IWL 19 years ago where he learned about their business and operations, embraced their culture and witnessed the high value they bring to clients.

[Marc DiMarco](#) has joined [Ledcor](#) as HS&E manager in the infrastructure group, supporting the Surrey/Langley skytrain, SkyLinkGP project.

[Rhianon Chow](#), strategic partnership manager at [Turner Construction](#), has joined the board of directors for the [International Facility Management Association's BC Chapter](#) as program and event director. In her new role, chow will be leading the planning and execution of key events for the association, fostering connections between the construction and facility management communities.

[Pier-Luc Napert](#) is now manager of project management at [Canam](#). He has been with the company for more than two years.

[Ziad Boustany](#) is stepping into a new role as CEO of [BDI](#). He will focus entirely on building its team, sourcing and assessing prospective partnerships, and driving growth and new initiatives at the affiliate level. He will be transitioning out of his role at [RAM](#) and will now serve solely as a director on its board.

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Words cannot fully express my gratitude to the directors, managers, and every single employee at RAM who has contributed to building this incredible company and supported my transition. I am eager to see how RAM continues to expand and excel under Joe's vision and the most capable leadership team I have ever seen.

Ziad Boustany, CEO, BDI