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## Burns & McDonnell's UK Managing Director joins CIGRE UK Executive Committee

BIRMINGHAM, England — Jonathan Chapman, the <u>UK Managing Director of engineering-construction firm Burns & McDonnell</u>, has become a member of the Executive Committee of CIGRE UK. He joins a team of sector leaders to head up the planning of CIGRE's work in the UK.

Chapman's appointment reflects the growing role Burns & McDonnell is playing in the UK energy sector since establishing its UK office in Birmingham in 2017. With a career in engineering and infrastructure spanning almost 30 years, and a team of experienced engineers and construction professionals behind him, Chapman is in a strong position to bring his insights and knowledge to the work of CIGRE in the UK electricity market.

CIGRE is a global organisation committed to sharing and advancing the world's electrical expertise. It was established to develop and distribute technical knowledge and experience in the generation and transmission of electricity, and is an interactive forum that brings together infrastructure providers, researchers, producers, manufacturers, system operators, traders, and regulatory bodies.

CIGRE's UK Executive Committee oversees a number of working groups that drive the organisation's work forward and increases its engagement with stakeholders throughout the sector. It forms part of CIGRE's global network of 60 National Committees, each of which holds a deep understanding of their region's expertise, offering diverse technical perspectives.

Established in the US over 120 years ago, Burns & McDonnell is ranked by <u>Engineering News-Record</u> <u>as No.1 in Power and Electrical Transmission & Distribution</u>. Offering more than 350 services in a wide range of industries, ranging from power to construction, the firm provides world class engineering, project controls and support for clients in the delivery of complex and technically challenging projects across the energy space.

Jonathan Chapman, Burns & McDonnell's UK Managing Director, said:

"I feel very privileged to have this opportunity to contribute to CIGRE's world-leading work. The group's aim of improving the power system by enhancing the skills base of the people within it is very much compatible with our ambitions at Burns & McDonnell. Only by collaborating with our peers and drawing in the very best talent available can the sector grow and adapt for the future.



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"We're creating a fantastic team here in Birmingham and building on our decades of experience to provide innovative solutions for our clients. I'm excited to contribute to, and learn from, the world's power system community through CIGRE."

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## **About Burns & McDonnell**

Burns & McDonnell is a private, employee-owned engineering, design and construction firm with 7,000 professionals located in offices throughout the world. We strive to create amazing success for our clients and amazing careers for our employees. We are ranked by Engineering News-Record as No.1 in Power and Electrical Transmission & Distribution.

We develop solutions through creating passionate partnerships, placing client service front and centre, understanding clients' needs and striving to make them successful. Our employee-ownership culture means that our success is closely aligned to our clients' success. We are bold in how we develop solutions and challenge the norm, drawing from the whole company to find answers to some of the toughest questions. We work on some of the world's most crucial infrastructure projects, delivering a completely integrated service from concept to completion.

In 2017 Burns & McDonnell opened its first UK office in Birmingham. With 121 years of experience designing and building infrastructure throughout the world, Burns & McDonnell is now taking forward a long term investment plan in the UK.

With the UK energy market undergoing a transformation, our focus is on providing a differentiated service across technical consultancy, engineering services and project delivery as the UK adapts to a low carbon future underpinned by smart technologies.