



# News Release

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## **IBA CONSULTANTS LAUNCH NEW YORK OFFICE TO SERVE GROWING NORTH EAST CLIENT BASE**

*New York office to launch forensic team*

**NEW YORK** – January 2, 2007 – IBA Consultants, a premiere high-rise building envelope, glass and glazing consulting firm, is continuing its accelerated and planned growth with the launch of its New York office that will service the northeast region, the company's sixth regional location in the country. This new office continues its strategic growth and follows the successful office openings of the Las Vegas office in 2005 and the office in Seattle in 2006, and marks the start of IBA plans for continued growth in 2007.

IBA's New York office, like its offices in Seattle, Las Vegas, Miami, Tampa Bay and Boca Raton, will provide high rise envelope, glass and glazing consultation. From inspection through testing, IBA Consultants' northeast division will have the resources and capabilities to identify and eliminate design flaws and faulty workmanship that can save developers, contractors and architects time and money.

An exciting new venture that will be unveiled with the launch of the New York office is the company's new forensic division that will handle leak investigations and window replacement projects. This service includes investigating the problem, researching the original intent of the design, identifying and correcting potential design deficiencies, inspecting the as-built condition of the exterior wall systems, and performing diagnostic testing.

“We have offices in the South West, Pacific Northwest and the South East so it was only a natural for us to expand our operations in the northeast region to better serve clients all over the country,” said Mark Baker, president of IBA Consultants. “We also are pleased to start up our forensic division, which will specialize in investigating older buildings for leaks and repairs.”

In addition, IBA brings to the Northeast extensive expertise with hurricane resistant design requirements as a result of more than 12 years experience in the South Florida area, working with local and national building codes, test procedures, protocols, standards, materials and products. Now that the hurricane resistant design requirements have expanded to the coastal regions of the northeast, IBA can offer unparalleled expertise to this market.

“As a result of the adoption of the newly adopted International Building Codes hurricane impact resistant design requirements in New York, many architects and developers are struggling with the requirements of the code and how to address the impact resistant glazing requirements,” Baker said. “Our Florida experience and many of our past projects are evidence of our knowledge of the design requirements, product selection and installation issues relating to impact resistant glazing.”

The company’s New York office will be headed by Jon Snyder, regional vice president who has more than 25 years experience and the new address in New York is office is 299 Broadway, Suite 1605. For more information on IBA’s services and projects, please visit [www.ibaconsultants.com](http://www.ibaconsultants.com).

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