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### BOFA International Wins Queen's Award for Innovation

BOFA International, the world leader in fume and dust extraction technology for industrial processes, has won the Queen's Award for Enterprise (Innovation) in its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary year.

BOFA has been awarded the prestigious accolade for the development of its Intelligent Operating (iQ) System, which is transforming the way that organisations around the world are able to protect the health of employees and improve production processes through more effective extraction of airborne contaminants in the workplace.

Tony Lockwood, Managing Director of BOFA, commented: "Receiving the Queen's Award for Innovation is testament to the hard work of everyone at BOFA and to the global success of our technology. It is doubly satisfying that we have achieved this recognition in our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary year."

BOFA was launched in 1987 as a small family business and has developed into a global leader for fume and dust extraction technology, employing over 200 people at its Poole, Dorset headquarters, with offices and warehouses in the USA and more recently, Germany.

BOFA has won multiple awards for its technology – including receiving the Queen's Award for Export in 2012 – and serves sectors as diverse as laser, electronics, mechanical engineering, printing, 3D printing, medical, pharmaceutical, dental and beauty in over 100 countries.

The company leads the way in the design and manufacture of advanced systems that safeguard working environments by removing potentially harmful airborne particulate resulting from industrial processes.

The latest Queen's Award acknowledges the positive impact of the company's revolutionary iQ platform, which has introduced performance enhancements, including independent filter status monitoring and remote data analysis, to improve extraction efficiency, reduce the risk of production downtime and lower the lifetime cost of system ownership.

Says Tony Lockwood: "BOFA started as a family business, and from the earliest days the empowerment of our people has been central to our success. At the same time, our ongoing commitment to R&D makes us agile, enabling us to stay ahead of the competition through technological innovation. Above all, we listen to the needs of our customers, working closely with them to develop solutions that make working environments safer for people and more productive for businesses."

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## **Notes**

### **BOFA International**

BOFA International launched in 1987 as a small family business and has developed into a multi-award winning global leader in fume extraction and filtration, acknowledged as number one in the industry.

It now employs over 200 people at its headquarters in Poole, Dorset, and in addition has offices in Germany and the USA.

Its expertise in providing reliable, high quality fume extraction solutions has become well established over the last 30 years and trusted by all sizes of business in a wide cross section of industries including laser, electronics, mechanical engineering, printing, 3D printing, dental, medical, pharmaceutical and beauty.