

## Alpha Joins the Safer Buildings Coalition to Drive Backup Power Standards for First Responders

**Orlando, Florida. May 21, 2019** – Alpha, an EnerSys company, has joined the Safer Buildings Coalition (www.saferbuildings.org), demonstrating its commitment to help develop backup power standards that enhance Public Safety Distributed Antenna Systems.

The Safer Buildings Coalition is an independent, non-profit organization focused on advancing policies, ideas and technologies that ensure comprehensive in-building communications capabilities for Public Safety and the people they serve. Since its inception in 2012, the Safer Buildings Coalition has been at the forefront advancing the idea that wireless technology makes people inside large buildings safer.

"We are delighted to have Alpha join our Coalition," said John Foley, Safer Buildings Coalition's Managing Director. "Our very important Community of Practice encompasses many disciplines and technologies. Resilient, reliable power is the foundation of every mission-critical system. I've had the pleasure of working with the Alpha team on many bids and projects over the course of my career and their advice and support is as dependable as their technology. Having access to their subject-matter expertise will be invaluable as we develop policies, recommendations, and future fire and building codes for in-building public safety solutions."

For several years, Alpha has been a leading provider of powering solutions for indoor and outdoor Distributed Antenna Systems. Alpha will join with Safer Buildings Coalition to influence the development of backup power standards that ensure Public Safety DAS networks always have a reliable source of electricity.

"First Responders depend on reliable communications in emergency situations," said Brian Hanson, Alpha's Strategic Account Manager for Public Safety." Backup power plays a critical role in making sure the communications network is operational, even when the power is out or the sprinkler system is on. Our commitment to reliable power solutions extends beyond products and into the standards that govern deployment. Our goal is to share our expertise with standards and codes to ensure all buildings have reliable backup power solutions that meet stringent Code requirements."

## **About Safer Buildings Coalition**

Safer Buildings Coalition aims to ensure that First Responders (Fire, Law Enforcement, and EMS) can use state-of-the-art voice and data communications to communicate with one another inside buildings as well as to and from their Command Centers outside buildings during an event. The shared vision among its members, which includes leading companies and organizations within the wireless and public safety industries, is to create safer buildings that possess advanced indoor public communications systems. Please visit our website at www.saferbuildings.org.

## **About Alpha Technologies**

For over 40 years, Alpha has been an industry pioneer and global leader in the design and manufacture of AC and DC power systems. The acquisition of Alpha by EnerSys in December 2018 combines two organizations committed to delivering backup power and energy stoarge solutions that keep communications networks running. Our legacyof providing mission critical power and energy storage solutions for telecom, broadband, industrial, renewable energy, and data center markets offers a unique perspective for delivering high performance backup power solutions for first responders and in-building wireless networks. For more information about Alpha, please visit our website at www.alpha.com.

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