



## Memorandum of Agreement

Society of American Military Engineers (SAME)

AABC Commissioning Group (ACG)

Energy Management Association (EMA)



ENERGY MANAGEMENT  
ASSOCIATION

The terms and conditions outlined in this Memorandum of Agreement will guide the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME), the AABC Commissioning Group (ACG), and the Energy Management Association (EMA). Its execution recognizes the intent of the two Associations to form a strategic alliance to facilitate collaboration, education, and information sharing, and to provide professional development for SAME members involved in the engineering and construction services.

**SAME Mission.** SAME leads collaborative efforts to identify and resolve national security infrastructure-related challenges.

**ACG Mission.** ACG strives to promote a better understanding of the commissioning process by educating, training, and certifying qualified individuals as Certified Commissioning Authorities (CxAs).

**EMA Mission.** EMA provides comprehensive training and education for energy management professionals, building owners, and other industry professionals. EMA is in the process of applying for recognition in the Department of Energy's Better Buildings® program for its Energy Management Professional (EMP) Certification, which is expected in the next few months.

**Areas of Mutual Support.** SAME agrees to promote the CxA and EMP certifications through websites, newsletters, and social media. ACG/EMA agree to review the educational program of SAME conferences to provide a determination on those sessions for which individuals with CxA/EMP certifications can receive continuing education credits.

**Conferences.** SAME and ACG/EMA agree to advertise each other's national conferences in their respective publications, newsletters, and social media. SAME will announce collaboration in RealTIME, the Society's newsletter. ACG/EMA will announce the collaboration in the Energy Wise newsletter. SAME will offer ACG/EMA a complimentary 10 x 10 exhibit space and two full conference registrations at the SAME Joint Engineer Training Conference (JETC) and four full conference registrations at the SAME Small Business Conference (SBC). ACG/EMA will identify SAME as a Supporting Organization of CxEnergy Conference & Expo and offer a complimentary 10 x 10 exhibit space and four full conference registrations.

**Membership and Working Relationships.** EMA will join SAME as a non-profit organization and SAME will join EMA as an Associate Member. This will be an even exchange with no payment required. SAME and ACG/EMA staff directors will develop working relationships for the mutual benefit of organizations. Members of SAME and ACG/EMA will be permitted to purchase registrations at member prices for each other's events. SAME and ACG/EMA will reach out to each other for speaker selection for respective meetings.

**Education and Training.** SAME and EMA may agree to co-locate EMP Seminar & Exam with SAME's meetings. EMA will provide SAME members with 20% discount to register for EMP Seminar & Exam.

SAME and EMA will promote webinars, articles, educational videos that would be beneficial to members of both organizations.

**Chapter Collaboration.** SAME Posts and ACG/EMA are encouraged to collaborate by having joint meetings and hosting education sessions for members of both association. SAME and ACG/EMA agree to share Post/Leadership contacts on request.

**Term of Memorandum Agreement.** SAME and ACG/EMA both agree that this agreement shall continue until either party, with 90 days written notice, elects to end the agreement. This agreement may be supplemented by additional operating agreements to be signed by the parties to this MOA.

**AABC Commissioning Group**



Ray Bert  
Executive Director

01.12.18

Date

**Society of American Military Engineers**



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Executive Director

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**Energy Management Association**



Ed Armstrong  
Executive Director

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