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Sonoma County Resident Certified as International Facility Manager

SONOMA, Calif., June 25, 2004 – Jack R. Bertram, Principal at Facility Management Solutions™ (FMS) in Sonoma, California, has completed re-certification and been awarded a Certified Facility Manager (CFM) credential from the prestigious International Facility Management Association (IFMA). The CFM credential, the most respected global credential in facility management worldwide, assures professional expertise and establishes standards of practice for the facility management profession.

Due to the stringent educational and work experience criteria the CFM has only been awarded to 3,500 professionals in 25 countries in the past 12 years. Successful candidates must pass a comprehensive exam that tests their mastery of operations and maintenance, real estate, leadership and management, human and environmental factors, planning and project management, finance, quality assessment and innovation and communication.

Facility Management Solutions™ ([www. WineFacility.com](http://www.WineFacility.com)) assists wineries at every life stage of the business to improve production, reduce work injuries, advance hospitality services and shrink annual and long term facility costs. Businesses have come to realize that maintaining a well-managed and highly efficient facility is critical to success and profitability.

IFMA is a professional association for facility management with close to 20,000 members in more than 50 countries. The organization provides certification and educational programs, conducts research, spots trends and assists facility managers in developing skills and strategies to manage the human, structural and real estate assets of an organization.

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