Tobin Community Center solar installation.

J&M Brown Awarded, Underway with Electrical Construction at One Congress at Bulfinch Crossing, Boston

**Architect:** Pelli Clarke Pelli Architects, New Haven, CT; **GC:** John Moriarty & Associates (JMA), Winchester, MA; **Developer:** Carr Properties, HYM Investment Group, and National Real Estate Advisors.

BOSTON, MA – J&M Brown Company, the Jamaica Plain, MA-based NECA member, is underway with the core and shell electrical construction of One Congress, the stunning 600-foot, 43-story office tower in Government Center. The centerpiece building of the Bulfinch Crossing development, One Congress is designed by Pelli Clarke Pelli Architects. The building will feature a unique curved, folded glass design, and when it opens in 2022 the 1 million square-foot structure will be Boston’s tallest building in over three decades, since One Financial Center opened in 1984. One Congress will be the future headquarters facility for its anchor tenant, State Street Corporation. The building is being constructed to meet LEED Gold Certification standards. J&M Brown is on a project team headed by general contractor John Moriarty & Associates.

Among its recent projects, the electrical contracting firm has recently completed the 100kW roof-mount solar project at Tobin Community Center in Roxbury, MA. The renewable energy project, comprised of JRB’s installation of 300 solar FV panels and 3 solar inverters, went online on December 23, 2019. JRB supervised a field crew of five Local 103 electricians in the three-month project. JRB also completed a 65kW rooftop solar project at the Roslindale Community Center in late 2019, which is also on the grid.

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**INDUSTRY NEWS**

NECA Chapter Meeting on January 8th. Alan Scharfe, of John A. Penney Company, was elected to serve a two-year term as the Chapter president.

**NECA Boston Chapter Confirms 2020 Board of Directors**

WEST NEWTON, MA – The Boston Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) confirmed its 2020 Directors and Officers (see photo) at its Annual Chapter Meeting on January 8th.

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**JRB Electric Joins NECA Boston Chapter**

NECA Boston Chapter proudly welcomes JRB Electric, LLC, based in Lowell, MA, as the association’s newest member. Established in 2013 by company principal, James Boutin, JRB provides electrical construction services for solar and tenant fit-out projects throughout Greater Boston and eastern Massachusetts.

JRB became a signatory contractor to IBEW Local 103 in June 2019. In joining NECA, Boutin said, “The educational programs provided by NECA are critical to my company’s growth and success. With the rapid technology changes in the electrical industry, it’s important to keep up with the technology in order to work more effectively and stay competitive. In addition, the opportunity for me to learn from, and network with, leaders in the electrical industry who are members of NECA is really unparalleled.”

**PROJECT NEWS**

NECA 2020 Board of Directors

Seated (l to r): 
- David Noon, Treasurer – J. & M. Brown Company, Inc.
- William Weber, Vice President – Gaston Electrical Co., Inc.
- Alan Scharfe, President – John A. Penney Company, Inc.
- Michael McDonald, Governor – McDonald Electrical Corporation
- Kathleen Guinee, Secretary – Aetna Fire Alarm Service Co., Inc.

Standing (l to r):
- Kristen Gowin, Assistant Manager – NECA Boston Chapter
- John McLaughlin, Director – Sullivan & McLaughlin Companies
- Glenn Kingsbury, Executive Manager – NECA Boston Chapter
- Matthew Guarracino, Director – J.M. Electrical Company, Inc.
- Brian Murphy, Director – A. Murphy, Inc.
- Joseph Bodio, Director – LAN-TEL Communications
- E.S. Boulos Company
- John Quinci, Director – Cruz Electric, Inc.
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Board Member (not pictured):
- Joseph McCluskey, Jr., Director, E.G. Sawyer Company

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Lighthouse Electrical Completes Electrical Construction of Roche Bros.’ Brothers Marketplace in Kendall Square, Cambridge, MA
NECA Contractor on project team with GC: Commodore Builders

Lighthouse Electrical, Inc., based in Rockland, MA, has completed comprehensive electrical construction of the new 20,000 sf Roche Bros. supermarket – Brothers Marketplace at One Broadway in Kendall Square, Cambridge. Brothers Marketplace, the first market in Kendall Square, opened on November 12. The scope entailed Lighthouse’s installation of the facility’s electrical distribution, lighting and fire alarm systems.

The newest Brothers Marketplace location features 12,000 sf of retail space and 8,000 sf of prep space including a state-of-the-art kitchen for prepared foods. Lighthouse project manager Scott Sullivan and foreman Kyle Kassiotis led the project team with a crew ranging upwards 10 IBEW Local 103 electricians.

NECA Boston Launches 2020 Educational Program on January 23 with Lean Construction Workshop

NECA Boston Chapter’s industry-leading educational workshops begin 2020 with Training in Lean Construction for Electrical Contractors on Jan. 23 at the Hilton Dedham. The all-day session, designed for senior managers, project managers and field superintendents, will be led by instructor Colin Milberg, PhD, a leading authority on Lean Construction. A member of the Advisory Board for the Intl. Group for Lean Construction Dr. Milberg is also an approved instructor for the AGC Lean Construction Education Program.

To learn more about NECA’s 2020 education series, contact Kristen Gowin, Assistant Manager of NECA Boston at kgowin@bostonneca.org.

About NECA Greater Boston Chapter

NECA electrical contractors provide a comprehensive range of electrical and tel-data services for diverse projects, large and small. Working in partnership with the union electrical industries in Massachusetts, Maine, and New Hampshire (IBEW Local Unions 103 in Boston, 490 in Concord, NH, 1253 in Augusta, ME and 567 in Lewiston, ME), the NECA Boston Chapter and its contractors have an unwavering commitment to bring the highest levels of experience, quality, reliability, and safety to each construction project.

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