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Maureen Electrical, Inc. of Methuen, MA Completes \$405,000 Lighting Retrofit Project at Massasoit Community College's Brockton and Canton Campuses

NECA Contractor teams with Prime Contractor Johnson Controls, Inc.

Maureen Electrical – Woman-Owned Firm Building A Brighter Company as a NECA Contractor



Maureen Thompson, principal of Maureen Electrical, shown after raceway installations at a UMass Boston project.

WEST NEWTON, MA – Since Maureen Electrical, Inc. of Methuen, MA first became a signatory contractor of IBEW Local 103 in December 2008 and shortly thereafter joined NECA in 2009, the company has experienced a surge in business, despite the lackluster economy. Company founder and President Maureen Thompson and Operations Manager Alec Huber attribute the firm's

growth to the support of Local 103's highly skilled workforce and the training, education, and hands-on support that NECA membership has offered.

"The highly professional workforce provided by IBEW Local 103 and the trust and mentoring of fellow NECA contractors, especially Mass Bay Electrical, have been instrumental to the growth of Maureen Electrical," said Operations Manager Alec Huber. The company expects annual revenues to grow from \$600,000 in 2009 to more than \$1.5M in 2011.

Maureen Thompson founded the company in 1998. She holds both her journeyman's and Master Electrician's licenses in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Huber is also a journeyman electrician from IBEW Local 103.

BROCKTON AND CANTON, MA – Maureen Electrical has completed the fast track \$405,000 lighting retrofit project at six buildings on the Brockton campus of Massasoit College and at the entire Canton campus. The project, which began in August 2010, was substantially completed as scheduled in December last year. The project was inspected and approved in early May.

The lighting renovation project had an original \$231,000 contract value for Maureen Electrical (which represented 40% of the project value; 60% of the project had been awarded to a non-union, minority owned electrical contractor). After one month, based on the NECA contractor's work performance, Maureen was extended an additional 20% of the workload and contract.

Energy efficient (EE) lighting upgrades were installed through-

out the Canton campus and at the Brockton campus Field House, Fine Arts Building, Maintenance Building and Student Center. The Conference Center in Brockton was later added to the project.

Maureen Electrical's Operations Manager and Project Manager Alec Huber and company principal Maureen Thompson supervised a field crew of 25 IBEW Local 103 and Local 223 electricians at peak construction. The team installed EE low power ballasts, industrial fixtures and T8 lighting, as well as occupancy sensors throughout the facilities.

Commenting on the project's success, Huber said, "Maureen Electrical was able to meet project schedules thanks to the great workforce of union electricians that were provided by Local 103 and Local 223."

Maureen Electrical Completes \$325,000 Fall River Housing Authority Security Project

FALL RIVER, MA – The Methuen based NECA contractor completed the installation of 458 security cameras tied to power supplies and DVRs at seven (7) separate housing facilities throughout Fall River on April 30, 2011. At peak construction, the woman-owned firm managed a field crew of 18 union electrical workers and telecom technicians based out of IBEW Local 103 in Dorchester and Local 223 in Lakeville.

Mass Bay Electrical and Maureen Electrical Awarded I-90 Pru Tunnel Lighting Project

BOSTON, MA – As a subcontractor to MassBay Electrical of East Boston, Maureen Electrical has been awarded and is scheduled to begin work on the Pru-Tunnel lighting project in late spring. The project has a targeted completion in late 2011. R. Zoppo Corp of Boston is serving as the project's general contractor. Maureen Electrical anticipates managing a crew of between two and four IBEW electricians throughout construction.

Mass Bay Electrical with Maureen Electrical as Subcontractor Awarded Logan International Airfield Runway Lighting and Cabling Project

BOSTON, MA – In a highly specialized project, Mass Bay Electrical has been awarded the Logan International runway lighting and cabling project – Massport Project L797-C2. The project will entail replacing self-5kV feeders and miscellaneous airfield improvements. Mass Bay has subcontracted a portion of the project to Maureen Electrical and will closely supervise and mentor the firm on the high voltage project. The project is scheduled to begin in June. Mass Bay and Maureen Electrical, as the firm's subcontractor, are currently in final stage construction of the Logan Terminal C renovation and expansion project, which is on schedule for completion in June.

ELECTRICAL INDUSTRY NEWS

NECA Boston Chapter Contractors Address Key Construction Issues at NECA 2011 Legislative Conference in Washington



WASHINGTON, DC AND WEST NEWTON, MA – Boston Chapter NECA had a strong presence at the NECA 2011 Legislative Conference & Political Leadership Council Summit held May 10 – 12 in Washington, D.C. The Chapter was represented by Larry Hurwitz of Broadway Electrical; Joe Bodio of LAN-TEL Communications; Sue Mailman of Coghlin Electrical Contractors; Ron Koning of State Electric Corp.; Boston Chapter NECA lobbyist Jim Smith of Smith, Ruddock & Hayes; and NECA Boston Chapter Assistant Executive Manager Matthew Lash.

Key issues critical to the future of the construction industry were the focus of the conference, and legislative meetings on Capitol Hill. The Greater Boston contingent met with



Boston Chapter NECA Members meet with Rep. Ed Markey (l to r): Former State Legislator and NECA Boston Chapter lobbyist Jim Smith, of Smith, Ruddock & Hayes; Ron Koning of State Electric Corp.; Sue Mailman of Coghlin Electrical Contractors; Massachusetts Congressman Ed Markey; NECA Boston Chapter President Larry Hurwitz of Broadway Electrical Co.; Joe Bodio of LAN-TEL Communications; and Boston Chapter Assistant Executive Manager, Matthew Lash

Massachusetts' legislators, including Congressman Stephen Lynch, Congressman Ed Markey, Congressman Mike Capuano, Congressman Bill Keating, Senator John Kerry's

aide John Phillips, Senator Scott Brown's aide Karalyn O'Brien, Congressman Jim McGovern, and Congressman John Tierney. The group presented NECA's position on numerous issues, including: Preserving the Davis-Bacon Act; Continued Use of Project Labor Agreements; Repealing the 3 Percent Withholding Tax on Government Work; Modifying the Estate Tax; Extending Tax Incentives to Encourage Investment in Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Development; and, Legislation to Crack Down on Dishonest Employers Who Misclassify Workers as Independent Contractors.

To learn details of NECA's position on each of these issues, visit: <http://www.bostonneca.org/subpages/GovRelations.html>