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NECA Boston Contractors Head to Capitol Hill to Discuss Issues Facing Industry

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Six of Boston NECA’s premier electrical contractors, along with NECA staff and Beacon Strategies Group, traveled to Washington, D.C. on May 18-19 for the 2016 NECA National Legislative Conference to meet with the Massachusetts Delegation and discuss issues facing the industry. The annual meeting is the premier legislative conference for electrical contractors to hear about the top issues affecting the industry and meet the leaders who are working to provide real solutions. Over the course of two days, Boston NECA members attended nearly a dozen meetings, scheduled by Beacon Strategies Group, on Capitol Hill.

NECA Boston’s top priorities for 2016 included a wide variety of issues aimed at ensuring the businesses of electrical contractors continue to grow and prosper. These important issues include creating new and innovative multiemployer defined benefit pension plans; and calling for the full repeal of the Cadillac Tax on health plans; discussing Massachusetts’ infrastructure investments; and encouraging the MA delegation to join the Congressional Building Trades Caucus, a group of members of Congress focused on labor-friendly construction issues.

No two meetings were alike for the Boston NECA contractors. Each member of Congress focused on specific issues, from the upcoming Presidential elections, to the structurally deficient bridges throughout the state, to the need for more apprenticeship programs in the State to mirror the Boston JATC. While this Congress has been dubbed the “do nothing” Congress, we enthusiastically expressed our appreciation for their support of the delay of the Cadillac Tax, the permanent extension of many tax breaks utilized by NECA contractors, and their vote on the $305 billion Highway bill passed at the end of 2015.

Make no mistake about it – investing in our Nation’s infrastructure is a winner for our contractors, our employees, and our economy. The members of the NECA Boston Chapter can proudly say it did its part in participating in this important Legislative Conference, and representing the needs of the electrical construction industry in Massachusetts extremely well.

NECA Boston’s Legislative Delegation meets with Congressman Joe Kennedy III – (L-R) Kathleen Guinee - Aetna Fire Alarm Services; John Rudicus - Sullivan & McLaughlin Companies; Chapter President Joseph McCuskey, Jr. - E.G. Sawyer Company; U.S. Rep. Joseph Kennedy; Matthew Guarracino - J.M. Electrical; Chapter Vice President Michael McDonald - McDonald Electrical; Assistant Chapter Manager Kristen Gowin.

NECA Boston Legislative Delegation with U.S. Representative Seth Moulton, MA 6th District

Chapter President Joe McCuskey, ESG/NECA lobbyist Mike Bergan, John Rudicus, Matt Guarracino

In the world of construction, quality and safety are critical to every project. Which is why leading architects, general contractors, building owners, and facility managers throughout Eastern New England rely on the skilled union electricians of Local 103 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) and the professional electrical contractors of the Greater Boston Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA).

NECA and IBEW set the standard for excellence in electrical, telecom, and renewable energy projects throughout Eastern New England.

The future of renewable energy and green buildings is here.

For a complete directory of NECA Greater Boston Chapter member firms, call 1-877-NECA-IBEW or visit us at www.bostonneca.org.