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2010 INDUSTRY CONFERENCE ~ KINGSTON, ONTARIO

After this year’s success on Canada’s East Coast, the Electrical Contractors Association of Ontario (ECAO) is pleased to announce that next year’s Industry Conference is already in the works and will be held in the beautiful Limestone City – Kingston, Ontario. The event will be taking place at the imperial **Four Points by Sheraton, June 23- 27, 2010.**

The Industry Conference has become the premier event that continues to draw a record number of delegates from across Ontario. This year’s event, with the theme “Take the Helm” was held in Halifax, Nova Scotia and attracted over 160 attendees. The Conference was bittersweet by saying farewell to Fred Black, from Greater Toronto, as he ended his term as President, and welcoming new President John Raeppe, from Central Ontario. There were also a lot of new faces that we can look forward to seeing again next year and in the coming years ahead and we welcome them.

The 2010 conference theme is “Winning the Battle” and with planning currently in the works, members can expect another great line-up of social events, activities, golf and an exciting array of speakers that will be invited to address the current issues that affect all contractors and the industry they work in. There will be a Product Exposition held in Kingston this year for associate members and our industry partners. Conferences are an excellent way to develop lasting relationships and network with fellow contractors in Ontario.

ECAO would like to thank everyone who attended the 2009 Halifax, Nova Scotia Industry Conference. ECAO would also like to thank our generous sponsors – Joint Electrical Promotion Plan, Federated Insurance, Skipwith & Associates, Electrical & Utilities Safety Association, Firstbrook Cassie & Anderson, Trisura, MPH Graphics, MWG Apparel, Travelers, Accubid, G. P. Garrick Electric, Graybar, IBEW, L.U. 353, Nedco, Northern Display, Ontario Construction Secretariat, Carol MacLeod & Associates, Electrical Business Magazine, IBEW Canada, LITE Ladders, Ogilvy Renault,

Philips, Quality Connection, RBC Dominion Securities, Westburne and Western Surety. Your contribution is truly appreciated. By all accounts, the conference was a huge success and an enjoyable experience. We hope to see all those who attended this year in Kingston next year, and maybe a few more new faces.

MEMBER RECOGNITION AWARDS

The R.H. (Hugh) Carroll Safety Awards and the Douglas J. B. Wright Award were presented at the Annual General Meeting on Saturday, June 27th 2009. Recipients will be featured on the ECAO website and in ECAO's industry magazine, *The Ontario Electrical Contractor*. Congratulations to the R. H. (Hugh) Carroll Safety Award winners Advantage Electric Thunder Bay, Aecon Industrial, Earl Carr Electric Canada, Gemor Electric Limited, K-Line Maintenance & Construction and S&T Electrical for their exemplary safety record.

This year's presentation of the Douglas J.B. Wright Award was an emotional tribute to an individual who has demonstrated dedication and commitment to the electrical contracting industry. Mr. Gary Carr began his career in the mid-70's when he joined the firm of Bright Electric (Peterborough) Ltd., becoming manager in 1980. Gary became a director of the ECA Oshawa & District that same year and spent three terms as President. Gary served on the ECA/IBEW Health and Welfare Committee for twenty-five years and has served on the local Apprenticeship Council and the local Labour Management Committee and participated on ECAO's Member Services Committee and Human Resources Committee, where he recently retired as Chair. Gary served as a director of the Electrical Contractors Association of Ontario since 1981 – twenty-eight years of continuous service. Gary is now retired and ECAO is very honoured to award such a strong leader – congratulations to Mr. Gary Carr.

2009-2010 BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

The following members have been nominated to serve as Directors by ECAO and the area ECAs in accordance with the procedures laid out in Article 8(b) of the Association By-laws: ECA Central Ontario, John Salmon; Georgian Bay ECA, Doug Dinniwel; ECA Hamilton, Dave Mason; ECA London, Al Gordon; Niagara Peninsula ECA, Joe Spadafora; ECA Northern Ontario, Chris Krueger; ECA Oshawa & District, Doug Hutchinson; ECA Ottawa, Gary Ganim; ECA Quinte-St. Lawrence, Brad Walker; ECA Sarnia, Ed Braithwaite; ECA Thunder Bay, Rick Ball; ECA Toronto, Ove Bakmand, George Docherty and John Higginson; Windsor ECA, John Salvatore.

Ontario Directors from the membership-at-large: Past President Fred Black, ETBA Chair Peter Bryant, 1st Vice-President James Kellett, 2nd Vice-President Dan Lancia, Treasurer Bill McKee and President John Raepple.

RETIRING DIRECTORS

This year we are losing two outstanding contributors, Brad Vollmer and Gary Carr. Brad Vollmer, who has been on the Board since 1998 serving as President from 2005-2007 and Mr. Gary Carr, who has been on the board continuously since 1981 representing Oshawa & District – a term of just over 28 years. ECAO would like to thank both gentlemen for their dedication and service to this association.

NEW DISCOUNT PROGRAM FOR MEMBERS

ECAO is pleased to announce the following new program for members only:

- ECAO members will receive 20% off services provided by Park n Fly. Enclosed is the CorpRate Discount Program. Remove the sticker which contains your code which will identify your company and the related discount rate. Place the ticket on the back of your credit card or I.D. Card and once you return from your travels present the sticker and you will receive your ECAO discount.
- St. John Ambulance and Red Cross have both offered a discount on training, first aid kits, etc. For additional coupons or if you have any questions, please contact Lyndsy Miceli at 416.675.3226 ext. 300 or lmiceli@ecao.org.

YOUR GUIDE TO CCA-1 (2008) STIPULATED PRICE SUBCONTRACT

Enclosed with this newsletter is the new (first) guide to the standard industry subcontract form. The guide contains colour coded commentary for each section to help users understand what they are signing. The commentary is black for explanatory, blue for advisory and red for cautionary. The purpose of the guide is to both educate trade contractors on the substance of the standard subcontract and to promote the use of the standard form throughout the industry. The guide was prepared for the National Trade Contractors Coalition of Canada (NTCCC) by law firm Blaney McMurtry LLP and is distributed to the electrical industry by the Canadian Electrical Contractors Association (CECA) and its provincial ECAs. The guide is available in both English and French and in future will be accessible on the CECA web site at www.ceca.org.

“JUST DON’T ASK” SAFETY CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED JUNE 12, 2009

Enclosed with this newsletter is another copy of the ECAO Alert regarding the launch of the “Just Don’t Ask” campaign designed to suppress the demand for non-essential live electrical work. The key tool for motivating clients to reconsider the need for live work is the Authorization Form which is also reproduced here for your convenience. The campaign is sponsored by the Electrical Safety Coalition made up of ECAO, IBEW, IAPA, E&USA and ESA.

ECAO SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE APPROACHES – JULY 15TH

Application procedures and forms for 2009 are available on the “Member Recognition” page of the ECAO website at www.ecao.org. The deadline for applications is **July 15, 2009**. Winners will be featured in ECAO’s industry magazine *The Ontario Electrical Contractor* and on the ECAO website.

ECAO WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

BMG Project Consultants Inc. ~ Oshawa & District Member ~ Accredited Representative: Doug Hutchinson
Canadian Linen and Uniform Service Co. ~ Associate Member ~ Accredited Representative: Orazio Dorata
Complete Electrical Services Inc. ~ Greater Toronto Member ~ Accredited Representative: Frank Spencley
Demarcation Point ~ Ottawa Member ~ Accredited Representative: Gabriel Madison
Franklin Empire ~ Associate Member ~ Accredited Representative: Bob Lawday
Independent Electrical Distributors ~ Associate Member ~ Accredited Representative: Jim Milne
JSM Electrical Ltd. ~ Greater Toronto Member ~ Accredited Representative: James Murray
Kamteck Electrical Installations Ltd. ~ Thunder Bay Member ~ Accredited Representative: Joe Petryna
Lasco Electric Inc. ~ Greater Toronto Member ~ Accredited Representative: Dwayne Wiseman
PDS Electric Inc. ~ Hamilton Member ~ Accredited Representative: Paul DiStefano
Pivot Systems Limited ~ Greater Toronto Member ~ Accredited Representative: Jason Todd
RTW Enterprises ~ Greater Toronto Member ~ Accredited Representative: Rick Wegner
Superior Electric ~ Thunder Bay Member ~ Accredited Representative: Marcel Roberge
Willder Electric ~ Thunder Bay Member ~ Accredited Representative: Joe Willder