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Alaska Chapter News

Upcoming Meetings & Events

The next Board of Directors and Membership meeting will be held February 13, 2019. It is very important to let Michelle know if you will be attending meetings or not as early as possible so that the Chapter may get an accurate head count for catering.

NECAPAC

A big thank you to everyone that contributed to NECAPAC in 2018. If you would like to contribute to NECAPAC for 2019, you can ask the Chapter for a NECAPAC personal or corporate contribution form, pick one up at the Chapter, or click on "Learn More" below to contribute online. They are also available on the chapter's website <http://www.alaskaneca.org/neca-links/>

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Government Affairs

Top Three

1. House Passes Contracting Reform Legislation

Early last week, the House overwhelmingly passed a NECA-supported bill, H.R. 190, which seeks to allow for reasonable reform to determine whether contracting officers are accurately certifying businesses to receive sole-source contracts, and if these officers are properly classifying sole-source contracts. This bipartisan bill came from the House Small Business Committee which continues to remain a bright spot for bipartisan reform.

2. Day 27 of the Partial Government Shutdown

Last week the House voted on H.J.Res.27-Further Additional Continuing Appropriations Act, 2019. This short-term Counting Resolution would open the nine closed departments and dozens of agencies through Feb. 1. This bill failed to gain the necessary two-thirds

Events

02/13/19
Board of Directors / Membership Meeting
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02/18/19
President's Day

03/06/19
Board of Directors / Membership Meeting

04/1-19/19
2019 NECA Now in Phoenix, AZ

04/10/19
Board of Directors / Membership Meeting

05/15/19
Board of Directors / Membership Meeting

05/27/19
Memorial Day

06/05/19
Board of Directors Only Meeting

07/04/19
Independence Day

support required, under suspension of the rules, to pass the House.

3. [Pelosi Seeks to Delay State of the Union Citing Security Concerns Amid Shutdown](#)

On January 16, 2019, Speaker Pelosi sent a letter to the White House delaying her invitation for the President to give a Joint Address to Congress on the State of the Union on January 29, 2019 if the government is still in a partial shutdown.

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Meetings & Events

Registration for Legislative Conference Now Open

Register today for the 2019 National Legislative Conference April 29-30, 2019 in Washington, D.C.

This annual meeting is the premier legislative conference for electrical contractors to hear about the top issues affecting the industry and to meet the leaders who are working to provide real solutions.

During the Conference, we will use our collective voice to advance NECA's top legislative issues on behalf of our industry. Participants will take part in issue briefings and engage with Members of Congress and Washington insiders while gaining a first-hand perspective on the legislative process. Registrants will have the opportunity to meet with their Members of Congress in their offices as well as legislative leaders at our Congressional Reception at NECA's office on Capitol Hill.

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Publications & Resources

NECA Publishes Two New Standard Revisions

[NECA/NEMA 605-2018, Recommended Practice for Installing Underground Nonmetallic Utility Duct.](#)

This document covers recommendations for the selection, handling and installation of underground single bore rigid nonmetallic conduit (RNC) or raceway for power, lighting, signaling, and communications applications. For the purpose of this guideline, Rigid nonmetallic conduit (RNC) or raceway refers for HDPE, PE, PVC, or RTRC conduit and duct. Corrugated coiled utility duct is not covered in this guideline; details on storage, handling, and installation are covered in NEMA TCB-3.

07/10/19

Board of Directors
Only Meeting

08/19 TBD

Board of Directors /
Membership/Veteran
Member/Guest/Spouse
Meeting

08/19 TBD

NECA Open at
Anchorage Golf Course

09/02/19

Labor Day

09/10/19

Board of Directors /
Membership Meeting

09/14-17/19

2019 NECA Convention
& Trade Show in Las
Vegas, NV

10/09/19

Board of Directors /
Membership Meeting

11/11/19

Veteran's Day

11/13/19

Board of Directors /
Membership Meeting

11/28/19

Thanksgiving Day

12/07/19

Annual Board of
Directors / Membership
Meeting & Holiday
Party in Anchorage

12/25/19

Christmas Day

01/01/20

New Year's Day

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NECA/NACMA 120-2018, Standard for Installing Armored Cable (TYPE AC) and Metal-Clad (MC) Cable

This standard covers the identification, selection and installation of Type AC and Type MC cables, which are used for electrical wiring for residential, commercial and industrial occupancies. It also includes information on fittings and other accessories necessary for a quality installation of these cable systems.

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Results are in: JBKnowledge 2018 Construction Technology Survey

In the 2018 Construction Technology Survey, JBKnowledge partnered with NECA to survey nearly 3,000 construction professionals on their technology solutions, staffing and budget. Access the results in the 7th Annual Construction Technology Report to learn how your company compares.

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On the Job

NECA 2019 Project Excellence Awards Program Now Open

NECA has begun accepting entries for the Project Excellence Awards (PEA)

These prestigious awards recognize NECA member companies for their outstanding commitment, professionalism, and ingenuity in delivering an electrical project across 12 different market sectors.

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Education & Training

Register for Two Upcoming Webinars

NECA + Schneider Electric Present NEC Safety by Design Webinar

Join NECA and NECA Premier Partner Schneider on Thursday, February 7 at 10am CST (7am AKST) for a live webinar presentation of NEC: Safety by Design and Advancements in Technology.

How can emerging technologies improve electrical safety? Register and attend this 1-hour live webcast to learn more about these top 3 objectives:

- Review highlights from the 2017 NEC that improve electrical safety.
- Improve understanding of the current safety-by-design features such as barriers, compartments, and arc energy reduction.
- Discuss emerging technologies and their impact on safety and equipment design.

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Free Webinar: NECA's NFPA 70E Resources

Join NECA on **Wednesday, January 23** at 2pm EST (10am AKST) for a live webinar presentation featuring NPFA 70E Significant Changes and the various resources available for you and your company from NECA.

NECA has developed many resources available for NFPA 70E, Standard for Electrical Safety in the Workplace. From guides and PowerPoints to mobile apps, NECA has developed a library for the electrical industry to use to understand and implement the standards that have been developed with worker safety in mind. The NECA guides are available in print or digital downloads for member's use. Each guide has a corresponding PPT for use by the company in training employees. Not only does NECA develop this material but NECA Safety and NECA Education partner to deliver specific NFPA 70E training classes at local NECA chapters and contractors with instructors that are part of the standards development process for NPFA 70E.

Can't make the live event? A recording will be distributed to all registrants.

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2019 Recognition of Safety Achievement Program Now Open

NECA invites member companies to participate in the annual Recognition of Safety Achievement Program. Awards will be presented to top performing organizations in each district based on company size and to all organizations with zero injuries and illness within the reporting year.

2019 recognitions are based on objective criteria available from your OSHA 300 report and worker's compensation insurance provider for the 2018 calendar year.

NOTE: All 2019 users must register for the awards website, any previous year's user accounts have been removed and will need to be re-added.

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eSafetyLine Toolbox Talks

Each month, NECA's safety website addresses a specific topic and offers downloadable materials to enable you to provide related weekly toolbox safety talks to employees. You can also find more great safety resources here <https://esafetyline.net/neca2/>.

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