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Alaska Chapter News

August Meeting

Our annual Veteran Member/Guest/Spouse Meeting in August on the 13th at 5:30pm here at the Chapter office. Please spread the word to retirees you are still in contact with.

2014 NECA Open

The 2014 NECA Open was held on Thursday, July 10, 2014 at the Anchorage Gold Course. The weather held up until the last couple holes for most. Congratulations to the winning team, Peter Crosson, Jan Sieberts & Jeremy Freise!

Thank you so much to all of our sponsors who without, this tournament would not be possible: Aetna, Alcan Electrical & Engineering Inc, BlackRock, Bridgewater Associates LP, Craig Taylor Equipment Co, First National Bank of Alaska, GCM Grosvenor, Intech, LMCC-Labor Management Cooperation Committee, Morgan Stanley, Northern Powerline Constructors Inc, Parker, Smith & Feek, Pimco, Potelcom Supply Inc, Rael & Letson, RV Kuhns & Associates Inc, Sands Capital Management, Stevens & Reppel APC, Ullico, Vision Service Plan, Washington Capital Management Inc and Western Asset.



Take Action

POWER Act Needs Co-sponsors

NECA supports H.R. 4916, the Power, Efficiency and Resiliency (POWER) Act — and not just because it would create thousands of new jobs for highly skilled NECA contractors. It would also reduce America's energy consumption and carbon emissions and ensure that critical facilities (such as hospitals, police stations and water treatment plants) can continue operating when the electrical grid is down. Specifically, H.R. 4916 would increase the investment tax credit for combined heat and power from 10 percent to 30 percent to match other energy sources like solar and fuel cells; apply the tax credit to waste heat to power; apply the tax credit to the first 25 megawatts of CHP

Events

08/13/14

**Board of Directors /
Membership/Veteran
Member/Guest/Spouse
Meeting in Anchorage**
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09/01/14

Labor Day

09/10/14

**Board of Directors /
Membership Meeting in
Anchorage**

09/27/14-9/30/14

**2014 NECA Convention
& Trade Show /
Chicago, IL**

10/08/14

**Board of Directors /
Membership Meeting in
Anchorage**

11/11/14

Veteran's Day

11/12/14

**Board of Directors /
Membership Meeting in
Anchorage**

projects, instead of the current 15 megawatts, and eliminate the 50 megawatt project size cap to incentivize additional projects; and extend the tax credit for an additional two years.

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Partnership to Build America Act Needs Co-sponsors. Tell Your Senator & Rep!

The Partnership to Build America Act, H.R. 2084, was introduced in the House of Representatives by Rep. John Delaney (D, MD-06) on May 22, 2013. This bipartisan legislation has more than 60 co-sponsors in the House and 14 co-sponsors in the Senate. It provides a unique way to fund infrastructure projects in the United States without government spending; that is, it would allow U.S. companies to bring back overseas earnings at a lower tax rate, then that money would in turn be invested in low-interest bonds which will be leveraged to create a \$750 billion fund for infrastructure financing. "The process may be complicated, but the goal and the outcome are both highly desirable and do not cross the ideologies of either party," according to Norm Ornstein writing in *The Atlantic*. By creating a large-scale infrastructure financing capability with zero federal appropriations, this legislation would create significant jobs in the short-term and help U.S. competitiveness in the long-term.

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Meetings & Events

NECA 2014 Chicago: Time To Get Serious!

Early registration for NECA 2014 Chicago closes on August 7. That means, it's time to get serious about planning your company's itinerary; it could take a while, and some strategic thinking, to choose from all the options available to you and your team.

How to Get Started: Each education session or workshop is categorized by one of five tracks (*Business Management, Leadership and Communications, Project Management, Standards and Safety, or Technology, Process and Innovation*), and the matrix of the tracks on our interactive website outlines all the sessions chronologically by topic, so you can create a custom plan to fit your needs. Just go to www.necaconvention.org/convention/schedule/ and play around with your options. You can also see a full list of NECA Show exhibitors and customize a map of the booths you want to visit. Don't Forget: You can invest in the full registration package, join us for a weekend package, or exercise other registration options.

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Attached you will find a flyer from Hawk Labeling Systems for a NECA Member Only special offer! You do not have to wait for

11/27/14

Thanksgiving Day

12/06/14

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

12/25/14

Christmas Day

the convention to take advantage of this. Hawk Labeling Systems is the U.S. Master distributor of Brother P-Touch labeling machines and tapes. If you own a Brother P-Touch, you probably purchased it from Hawk Labeling Systems or one of their dealers. NECA Members can upgrade to the new BEE3-EZ printer FREE by trading in your old Brother P-Touch or any other labeler.



On The Job

How Does Your Company Use Technology in Day-to-Day Operations?

NECA and the National Association of Electrical Distributors (NAED) request your participation in an industry survey to learn more about how you and your company currently use technology to conduct business, order products and complete projects. We hope this survey will help provide distributors with a better understanding of how they can best serve you and your company as well as evaluate their current technology capabilities. This brief online survey should take only about 10 minutes to complete.

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Energy Solutions

Energy Efficiency Roadmap Establishes Framework for Action

The American National Standards Institute (ANSI) has just released *Standardization Roadmap: Energy Efficiency in the Built Environment*, and it *really is a big deal*. It was developed through the ANSI Energy Efficiency Standardization Coordination Collaboration (EESCC), which is chaired by representatives of the U.S. Department of Energy, NECA Premier Partner Schneider Electric and NECA, and is a collaborative effort between more than fifty member organizations, four federal agencies, over 160 industry experts, standards and codes developing organizations, energy-focused organizations, and educational institutions among others. It is a national framework for action and coordination on future energy efficiency standardization and charts 125 recommendations to advance energy efficiency within the built environment. EESCC will monitor the implementation of the roadmap's recommendations, track updates on the work to close identified gaps, and create a mechanism where information can be broadly shared.

Development of the roadmap has been a collaborative effort between over fifty member organizations, four federal agencies,

over 160 industry experts, standards and codes developing organizations, energy-focused organizations, and educational institutions among others.

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FREE Webinar to Review NFPA 70E Employer Responsibilities Guide July 22

Learn how NECA's NFPA 70E Employer (Contractor) Responsibilities Guide will benefit your company by joining us next Tuesday, July 22, at 11am EDT (8am PDT) for an interactive overview of the publication. This guide addresses NFPA 70E planning and documentation requirements and how to communicate risks to customers and employees. The webinar is *FREE*, but registration is required.

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Each month, the special safety site available through NECA's website addresses a specific topic and offers downloadable materials to enable you to provide related weekly toolbox safety talks to employees.

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