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## Alaska Chapter News

### Board of Directors/Membership Meetings

Our next Board of Directors meeting will be held in Boston on October 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm, location to be determined. The November Board of Directors & Membership meeting will be in Anchorage on November 9<sup>th</sup>.

The annual Board of Directors/Membership meeting & Holiday party will be held on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, save the date.

### Alaska Electrical Trust Fund

The Alaska Electrical Trust Fund office has moved to 701 E Tudor Suite 200, Anchorage, AK 99503, as of Friday, September 23, 2016.



## Government Affairs

### How the New “Fair Pay” and Paid Sick Leave Rules Will Affect Your Business

On August 24 the U.S. Department of Labor and the Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council announced final regulations and guidance implementing the Fair Pay and Safe Workplaces Executive Order (EO). This rule requires contractors seeking federal contracts to disclose if they had any federal or state labor or safety violations over the past three years.

Although NECA still has serious concerns about the overall intent of the EO, the final rule accepted a suggestion by NECA to allow subcontractors to report any qualifying labor law violations to the Department of Labor directly, instead of reporting to prime contractors, as proposed initially.

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## Events

10/07-10/16  
**2016 NECA Convention & Trade Show**  
Boston, MA

10/7/2016  
**Board of Directors in Boston/ Membership Meeting Cancelled**

11/09/16  
**Board of Directors / Membership Meeting in Anchorage**  
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11/11/16  
**Veteran’s Day**

11/24/16  
**Thanksgiving Day**

12/03/16  
**Annual Board of Directors / Membership Meeting & Holiday Party in Anchorage**

12/25/16  
**Christmas Day**

## NECA-Supported Multiemployer Pension Reform Legislation Moves Forward

After months of development, House Education and Workforce Committee Chairman John Kline released a discussion draft of NECA-supported multiemployer pension reform legislation authorizing the use of composite plans at a Capitol Hill press event held Sept. 9.

“While no current defined benefit plan would be required to adopt any of these provisions, it is an important tool that should be made available to plans who choose to take advantage of this option,” Giamberardino said. “NECA urges members of Congress from both sides of the aisle to support Chairman Kline’s proposal.”

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## Meetings & Events

### Employee Benefits Conference Registration Opens

Registration is now open for the 2017 IBEW/NECA Employee Benefits Conference January 26-27, 2017 at the Naples Beach Hotel and Golf Club in Naples, Florida.

The Conference is intended to provide NECA plan trustees, chapter managers, plan professionals, and union trustees and representatives a forum to review the administration of the Reciprocal Agreements, discuss issues of common interest related to IBEW/NECA trust funds, and to meet informally with counterparts from around the country. The deadline to register and make hotel reservations is December 28, 2016. Act soon, the hotel fills up quickly.

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## Publications & Resources

### Electrical Contractor August Issue Features Lamps and Other New Electrical Products

Anyone can screw in a light bulb, right? That’s what makes those jokes so funny. But these days, between the various technologies, lumens-per-watt ratings, CRI ratings, color temperatures, and on and on, choosing a lamp is more complicated than ever. So, how many ECs does it take to *specify* a light bulb? It’s probably one—the right one.

As we know from the 2016 Profile of the Electrical Contractor, more ECs are specifying electrical products, and that trend has been growing for several profiles now.

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## On The Job

### **ET&D Safety App Brings Best Practices to Line Workers in the Field**

A new mobile app launched by the Electrical Transmission & Distribution (ET&D) Partnership will put best practices and safety guidelines used throughout the line construction industry into the hands of line workers in the field.

The free app is available for iOS and Android devices and provides searchable information on the partnership's best practices, allowing line construction workers as well as company supervisors and managers to quickly and easily access the detailed information from any location. Features industry news, safety tips and talk outlines, and training information.

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## Safety

### **eSafetyLine Toolbox Talks**

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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