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READ THE STORY

ON THE COVER
Global collaboration on CCS technology is key to containing CO2

THE ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT has largely succeeded in vilifying coal usage in America’s power generation systems through their strategic and political alliances, legal challenges and media campaigns. They have a powerful voice and a strong commitment to their cause. Even so, it appears that they have become so consumed with their narrow effort to kill coal in America that they’ve lost sight of what it will really take to rein in the world’s CO2 emissions.

As an organization that has a significant part of its membership working in the power generation industry, principally coal-fired boilers and the installation of pollution control systems, we do not challenge the argument that CO2 emissions pose a real problem to our world. In fact, the Boilermakers union worked very closely with the U.S. Congress to pass legislation that, we believe, would have taken our country in the best practical direction for dealing with this global issue. Unfortunately, it failed to pass the Senate.

I firmly believe that if mankind is going to substantially reduce global CO2 emissions over the next 50 years, we are going to have to develop effective carbon capture and storage (CCS) technologies — and we are going to have to implement them on all of the world’s coal-fired power generation systems. Unilaterally shutting down a large percentage of America’s coal-fired systems, as is currently underway due largely to EPA regulations, will have significant collateral cost to many jobs and businesses at essentially no gain in our climate change battle.

Why ending U.S. coal-fueled power will not save the climate

HERE’S THE FUNDAMENTAL problem, as I see it, with the anti-coal movement’s domestic environmental agenda. The United States could shut down every coal-fired power generation system on our soil today — every one of them — and within a few years China alone would more than make up for the difference in CO2 emissions into our shared atmosphere.

Elizabeth Muller, executive director of the climate research group, Berkeley Earth, makes this point succinctly in an article published in the New York Times, April 12:

“China’s greenhouse gas emissions are twice those of the United States and growing at 8 percent to 10 percent per year. By 2020 . . . China will emit greenhouse gases at four times the rate of the United States, and even if American emissions were to suddenly disappear tomorrow, world emissions would be back at the same level within four years as a result of China’s growth alone.”

According to the International Energy Agency, there has been virtually no overall progress in cleaning up global emissions. Said IEA Executive Director Maria van der Hoeven, “Despite . . . a boom in renewable energy over the last decade, the average unit of energy produced today is basically as dirty as it was 20 years ago.”

I don’t point this out to belittle the green energy effort. I have argued for many years that we, as a country, and power generation companies themselves, need to have a diversified “stock-like” portfolio of power generation systems in our collective fleet. But I do point it out in an effort to refocus the energy and strategy of those who are committed to fight against man’s direct and significant contribution to climate change.

At the end of 2012, approximately 1,200 coal plants were being planned across 59 countries — about three-quarters of them in China and India, according to the World Resources Institute. I expect most of those will have no emissions control systems whatsoever. And while natural gas-fueled plants are replacing some coal-fired plants, they too contribute their share of CO2 emissions to our shared atmosphere, and not just in the combustion process.

Regulating the U.S. coal fleet out of business will feel like we are doing something. There will be lots of infomercials and political claims, and the gas industry will make billions. But the fact is that for all it costs American working families and businesses that rely on coal, we will not have significantly impacted the world CO2 emission levels that feed global warming.

To really reduce those levels, we must find a way to limit the CO2 spewing from the smokestacks of other countries, most notably China. The Chinese have invested so much in coal-fired power generation systems, and continue to do so at a remarkable pace, that we cannot expect them to turn away from these systems for decades to come. They will burn coal.
They will pump massive amounts of CO₂ into our shared atmosphere. And so will many other countries. Shuttering America’s coal fleet will do absolutely nothing to change this.

**Emissions must be fixed globally, not just nationally**

SACRIFICING OUR OWN coal-fired power generation systems may be a victory for the environmentalists, their allies and the natural gas industry in this country, but it really is not a solution to the looming global warming crisis.

Our atmosphere is shared with the rest of the world. CO₂ emissions will not only impact the atmosphere, they will affect our oceans and, in time, our way of life. While our courts and legislators fiddle with regulating emissions that cross state lines, and the EPA prepares their next round of impossible domestic regulations, those involved seem incapable of grasping the global nature of the problem.

We need a way to capture the coal-related CO₂ emissions of every nation. So many countries are financially bound to their older-technology coal-fired systems that a mass shutdown and shift like we are experiencing in the USA is unlikely to happen even within the next several decades. I suppose the USA could stand on the world stage and say, “We did it, you can, too.” But that’s not going to get it done. We need advanced environmental CCS systems.

In the meantime, billions of tons of CO₂ will be emitted into our shared atmosphere. Billions of dollars will have been effectively wasted in this country in our forced transition from coal to other fuel sources. And so many Boilermaker and other craft families will have been unnecessarily impacted by a national decision that, unfortunately, does not address its stated purpose: to save our planet from global warming disaster.

I think it’s clear that our collective world initiative to address climate change must take into account more that just a blind passion to kill coal as an energy source. Nations must collaborate in building a common sense solution that recognizes that many nations will continue to use coal to generate their power. Given this, the world has little alternative but to develop systems that will limit ongoing CO₂ emissions.

**We need a World Environmental Fund dedicated to CCS technology development**

OUR COLLECTIVE CLIMATE CHANGE focus needs to be on research and development of carbon capture & storage technologies. Of course, significant funding will be necessary to advance this R&D. But ultimately this will be the best global solution to limiting CO₂ emissions.

It may feel great to provide government funding for a wind farm or a new solar energy project, but that money would be better spent in concert with other nations on CCS technology to remove carbon dioxide from the world’s coal-fired power generation fleet. That is where the real benefit for lower emissions can be found. Renewable energy may eventually mitigate some of our global emissions, but it will not make the necessary global difference within the next several decades.

Our principal need in addressing climate change is to get those CO₂ emissions under control. Shutting the world’s coal-fired power generation fleet is not going to happen in our generation or even the next. But, I think that if the world can build a space station and jointly operate it, the world can build effective CCS technology.

To accelerate CCS development and deployment, we need a World Environmental Fund that is singularly focused. While the United Nations administers the Global Environmental Facility (GEF), that fund takes a more piecemeal approach to assist developing nations with energy and climate-related issues. What is needed is a technology that makes all current and future coal plants environmentally friendly. CCS holds that promise.

Much like we have seen with private space ventures and other technological achievements, such a fund could offer a competition award to the first, or several, companies or organizations that produce an effective CCS-type technology breakthrough that can actually go into production and installation on the world’s power-generation fleet sooner than later. Of course, there are always lots of what-ifs and obstacles, but I think it’s worth some serious world-leader thought.

Our global ship is leaking badly. Plugging the American hole and maybe some Western European holes is not enough. We need a way to plug the bigger holes, the more persistent holes in our global ship. We are losing more and more ground, almost literally, while we focus just on plugging coal-sourced emissions from the American hole.

The world needs effective CCS technology as soon as possible. If Elizabeth Mueller is correct, all the CO₂ emission reductions that America accomplishes will be outpaced by new emission sources in just a few years. Our unilateral domestic efforts, in that case, will have done nothing to truly address world climate change . . . and at significant domestic economic and personal cost, not to mention the future cost to our planet.

**TO ACCELERATE CCS DEVELOPMENT AND DEPLOYMENT, WE NEED A WORLD ENVIRONMENTAL FUND THAT IS SINGULARLY FOCUSED.”**

*From Our International President*
While the U.S. Congress struggles to fashion an immigration bill that addresses temporary foreign workers, Canada is engaged in its own national debate over TFWs. In a commentary first published in the National Post newspaper, IVP Joe Maloney explains why bringing in skilled boilermakers from other countries is good for Canada.

Canadian are justifiably outraged that some businesses have been using the Temporary Foreign Workers (TFW) Program as a way to replace their Canadian employees with lower-paid substitutes from overseas.

While such conduct is reprehensible, we must keep in mind that the program does provide significant benefits to the Canadian economy and to all Canadians. We congratulate the federal government for taking steps to regulate this program. But we urge the government not to harm those who play by the rules and who use the program in the way it was intended.

As the union that represents more than 10,000 boilermakers and apprentices across Canada, we use the TFW Program to bridge temporary gaps in the supply of skilled boilermakers to the more than 300 contractors with which we work.

Our members are highly skilled construction and maintenance specialists who work primarily at heavy-industrial installations, an area of the economy that is booming in many regions of Canada. They must complete a government-supervised, four-year apprenticeship program before they can obtain their license to work as boilermakers.

Without our skills, major construction and maintenance projects risk delays, with potentially huge negative economic spinoffs in strategic industries like energy and natural resources.

We are aggressively working to augment the number of Canadian boilermakers through increased intake of apprentices, internships, Helmets to Hardhats (a program which helps former military personnel to learn our trade) and other initiatives. But it takes time to train a certified boilermaker to work in these heavy-industrial, safety-critical facilities. Until we can enlarge the available pool of qualified Canadian boilermakers, we must rely on temporary foreign workers who have the qualifications to assist.

A recent study on temporary foreign workers by the University of Calgary confirms there are labour-supply shortfalls in specific industries, and ours is one of them.

Having argued the need for the TFW Program, however, our union harbours concerns about the possibility for abuse and exploitation. We use the program the way it is meant to be: as a way for employers to temporarily bridge the gap between supply and demand. We work very closely with our employers to determine supply issues and always follow a strategy of putting Canadians first.

In the program administered by the Boilermakers Union, temporary workers are paid in accordance with our collective agreements. They get exactly what a Canadian boilermaker is paid. We do not add any fees or commissions for our work in arranging for the availability of these workers. They are not exploited in any way (for example, by making them live in company-supplied housing for which they pay rent, or deducting their travel expenses from their first paycheque). They are fully trained in their home countries and are conversant with Canada's stringent safety requirements. They augment, rather than replace, our Canadian boilermakers. And at the end of their employment contracts, they return home.

Our participation in the national TFW Program benefits everyone involved: our members, who can work in confidence knowing their fellow workers are qualified on their level; the contractors, who can count on a ready supply of qualified boilermakers; the temporary workers themselves, who are able to augment their family incomes while they are unemployed in their home countries; the federal government, which has assisted industry to keep up with demand; and finally, the economy as a whole, which benefits from increased productivity.

The TFW Program, when used properly, gives industry the breathing room it requires to adapt to an expanding economy and helps ensure continued employment opportunities for our existing and future Canadian members. The fact that unscrupulous employers have found loopholes that allow them to cheat the system should not be cause for our government to downgrade or shut down the entire program.

We look forward to working on a continuing basis with federal and provincial governments and our employers to maintain a transparent and credible TFW Program.
Provincial regulators approve BNAP certification for welders

U.S. BOILERMAKERS seeking work in the Alberta construction industry will find the process much simpler, thanks to a change in the province's credentialing process. On March 25, Alberta's Apprenticeship and Industry Training (AIT) board announced it would begin accepting the Boilermakers National Apprenticeship Program (BNAP) Certificate of Accomplishment to perform work as welders in the province.

In Alberta, boilermaker and welder are considered separate compulsory trades. A compulsory trade is one in which a person must be certified as a journeyman or indentured apprentice in order to perform trade work. AIT approved the BNAP certification for boilermaker in 2011.

Grant Jacobs, Canadian Director of Boilermakers National Training, has led the effort to simplify the boilermaker and welder qualification process for U.S. members. He obtained letters of support from owners and contractors to show the need for supplemental U.S. Boilermakers during peak construction activity. He also worked closely with Marty Spencer, BNAP National Coordinator, to demonstrate that BNAP training met AIT requirements.

“This is a tremendous benefit to the Boilermaker industry in Alberta,” Jacobs said, “not to mention to the U.S. members who have previously had the onerous task of applying to AIT and gathering all of their required information before heading north.

“We were able to remove the requirements, costs, and time associated with providing verification of 6,750 hours and 54 months of work in the trade before authorization would be granted.

“Based on Alberta’s decision, the credentials will also be recognized by all other provinces that are signatory to the Agreement on Trades Recognition,” Jacobs noted.

“I would like to thank the folks at AIT, including the board of directors, the PAC members, and the boilermakers and staff in Canada and the U.S. who helped in obtaining these certification recognitions,” he said.

Jim Beauchamp, Boilermakers Assistant National Program Coordinator for Canada, said the AIT announcement is wonderful news. Beauchamp coordinates recruitment efforts to bring U.S. members in to help fill job orders.

“Our intent from the beginning was to streamline the process,” he said. “Now our U.S. members only need to provide a valid passport, an offer of employment letter from the contractor, and their Certificate of Accomplishment from the Boilermakers National Apprenticeship Program.”

In addition to helping American Boilermakers find work in Alberta, AIT’s approval will also help Canadian contractors and owners gear up for future demands, said Joe Maloney, International Vice President for Western Canada.

“This recognition is a tremendous help in assisting us to meet the demands for qualified Boilermakers for shutdowns, in particular those in the Oil Sands,” he said. “To date in 2013, we are expected to utilize 300 to 400 Boilermakers in Alberta for the spring shutdown season. We anticipate that this will continue for the next several years. The AIT recognition will also assist with the demands that are forecast for new plant construction to begin in 2013 and grow through 2016 and beyond.”

Maloney added, “We knew that if we were successful [in obtaining AIT approval] we would finally establish a seamless process of bringing boilermakers and welders into Canada to help the industry during peak times, in a matter of several days instead of several weeks.”

Jacobs stressed that U.S. construction Boilermakers who do not hold the BNAP Certificate of Accomplishment but wish to apply for work in Canada based on other types of certificates may still apply but will be required to go through the normal application process.
Workers at nuclear waste site receive safety recognition

L-242 members work four years at Hanford without recordable injury

Members of Local 242 (Spokane, Wash.) working at the Hanford Nuclear Reservation near Richland, Wash., received recognition from signatory contractor Chicago Bridge & Iron (CB&I) recently for working four calendar years without a recordable injury.

L-242 BM-ST Mark Keffeler said about 20 members work at Hanford, constructing and installing process, storage, and containment vessels, melters, burial boxes, casks, and stainless steel liner plates. The members also perform maintenance and repair work on the Columbia Generating Station, a commercial nuclear power plant operating at the Hanford site.

Hanford is the largest nuclear waste site in the Western Hemisphere, with an estimated 53 million gallons of high-level radioactive waste. The site produced plutonium during WWII as part of the Manhattan Project and continued to produce the material through the Cold War for the U.S. nuclear arsenal.

Hanford was recently in the news after it was discovered that six old, single-wall storage tanks have been leaking radioactive material. Some of L-242’s early work at the site involved replacing single-wall storage tanks with double-wall tanks as well as building boilers and reactors.

In 2003 and 2004, CB&I also built four huge stainless steel tanks at the Hanford waste treatment plant.
Local 69 wins NACBE safety award

OSHA recordable rate drops below 2.0 for first time

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION of Construction Boilermaker Employers (NACBE) presented its annual safety awards to the 2012 top-performing locals from the Boilermakers’ four U.S. vice-presidential sections March 4, during the Construction Sector Operations conference held at Marco Island, Fla.

Local 69 (Little Rock, Ark.), representing the Southeast section, took national honors with zero lost-time accidents, zero compensable injuries, and zero OSHA-recordable injuries. L-69 BM-ST Rodney Allison accepted the award.

The three other lodges finishing first in their sections included Northeast Local 237 (East Hartford, Conn.), Mark Pinard, BM-ST; Great Lakes Local 105 (Piketon, Ohio), Van Stephens, BM-ST; and Western States Local 4 (Page, Ariz.), Casey Tibbs, BM-ST.

NACBE Executive Director John Erickson said the safety index covered over 60 percent of all construction Boilermaker man-hours worked in 2012. For the first time in its history, the index showed the overall OSHA recordable rate dropped below 2.0, to 1.97.

“That’s the number owners ask us about the most,” Erickson said.

Meanwhile the lost-time injury rate had “a slight uptick,” he noted, from 0.23 in 2011 to 0.24 in 2012. The compensable injury rate in 2012 also showed a small rise, to 5.86, up from 5.43 in 2011. Forty locals had zero lost-time injuries, up from 39 in 2011. Sixteen locals recorded zero compensable injuries for 2012, three more than in 2011.

NACBE began tracking safety performance using the index in 1990. Safety awards are based on the lowest injury rates followed by the highest percentage of Boilermaker man-hours from NACBE contractors participating in the index.

Erickson also announced that NACBE President Wendell Bell stepped down from his position on the organization’s board in 2012, with Greg Purdon of Enerfab filling his seat. Subsequently, the NACBE board elected Eric Heuser of APCom-Power to the office of president.
L-101 hosts welding exhaust study

Group seeks to measure training effectiveness

EIGHT VOLUNTEERS from Local 101, Denver, recently participated in a two-phase pilot study at the lodge designed to measure the effectiveness of local exhaust ventilation (LEV) training. The study is being carried out by the Center for Construction Research & Training (CPWR) and a consortium of university researchers.

Boilermakers Health and Safety Services Director Mark Garrett was on hand to observe the study, which was performed by Pam Susi of CPWR and Sergio Caporali, PhD, of the University of Puerto Rico.

The first phase was conducted Dec. 11, 2012. The volunteers were asked to perform a welding exercise, and measurements were taken of welding fumes released into the welders’ work space. Next, the volunteers received instruction on the dangers of welding fumes to the respiratory system as well as the proper use of local exhaust ventilation. This was followed by a redo of the welding exercise, with new measurements taken.

On Feb. 8, 2013, the second phase was conducted to determine how well the volunteers retained the training.

“Local exhaust ventilation is very important for the continued health of our members and all welders,” Garrett said. “It is proven that exposure to high levels of welding fumes and gases lead to respiratory issues.

“I want to thank Local Lodge 101 Business Manager Tim Ruth for allowing CPWR to use the training center for this important pilot study. The lodge’s state-of-the-art ventilation system was exactly what the group needed to evaluate. Boilermakers are the leaders in welding, and it is only fitting that we are involved in this important research.”

Garrett said other trades that weld will also be included in the study.

PARTICIPATING IN A RECENT WELDING EXHAUST STUDY are, first row, left to right, Local 101 members Mickey Roer, Blayne Graham, T.R. Thayer, and Mykola Savechenko. Second row, Mark Garrett, D-H&SS; Vince Shelly, Local 101; Jesus Alfero, L-101; Pam Susi, CPWR; Oleg Vdovich, L-101; and Andre Green L-101. Not in picture is Sergio Caporali, PhD, of the University of Puerto Rico.

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BNAP rolls out new website

Apprentice applicants will find wealth of information

VISITORS TO THE new Boilermakers National Apprenticeship Program website — www.bnap.com — will find a more user-friendly experience and far more information than was available previously, according to BNAP National Coordinator Marty Spencer. The site went live May 13.

Redesigning the Web presence was authorized by the BNAP Board of Trustees, which established a committee to work with Martin Public Relations on the project. The committee includes Chairman Larry Jansen, ARB; District 57 Business Manager Ed Vance; Marty Spencer; Great Lakes IVP and BNAP Secretary Larry McManamon Sr.; and BNAP Chairman Ken Wasilewski, Babcock & Wilcox.

A primary goal of the project was to provide all the information that a prospective apprentice applicant might need in order to understand the program requirements. The site contains maps, photographs, video clips and links to organizations throughout the industry network.

The site explains the application process and includes such information as locations, news and events, organizational structure, and program history. It describes what applicants can expect if they choose the career path to become a Boilermaker. It also stresses the expectations for applicants and the qualities they should possess.

Spencer noted that phase two of the project is currently in progress. It will include the addition of even more content as well as a pass-code-protected section for an instructor communication network that can be used for requests, announcements, and interaction.

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LEAP delegates gather in nation’s capital

Boilermakers listen, learn, lobby

DELEGATES REPRESENTING lodges from across the nation traveled to Washington, D.C., in early May to take part in the 45th annual conference of the Boilermakers’ Legislative Education Action Program (LEAP). The event was held at the Hyatt Regency near Capitol Hill.

Participants heard from speakers about developments impacting jobs, the economy, and the future of organized labor, among other topics.

Delegates also received briefings about legislative issues that are of particular importance to Boilermaker families, and they presented those issues to members of Congress and their aides.

MSNBC co-host urges unions to tell their stories

KRISTAL BALL, THE keynote speaker, addressed the conference about rising income inequality and steps organized labor can take to defeat anti-union forces. Ball is a co-host of the MSNBC The Cycle program, a political writer, and a Labor Movement supporter.

She blasted the nation-wide attacks against labor unions by wealthy right-wing individuals like the Koch brothers and groups like the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC). ALEC is a corporate-funded group that promotes “model” legislation used to rewrite state laws that undermine organized labor.

Ball said that while labor has lost membership over the decades, our numbers are still substantial. The key to reinvigorating labor, she added, is to ensure that the public understands the good that labor does for all workers. Labor, she said, can be the driving force to rebuild the middle class.

Ball stressed that labor needs to do a better job of connecting with the public and should be more active in pitching stories to the media. She cited the April 2013 collapse of a non-union garment factory in Bangladesh that killed over 1,000 employees as an example of how exploited workers sometimes pay with their lives when employers are motivated solely by greed. Had those employees had union representation, she observed, it is likely that safety standards would have been in place and the tragedy could have been avoided.

She said she is eager to give labor leaders a platform to express their views on national media about such world events and the importance of unions.

Global Trade Watch director warns of backroom dealing

BACKROOM DEALING BY multinational corporations threatens to create yet another international trade agreement that will harm the U.S. economy, cost Americans their jobs, and risk undermining U.S. laws and autonomy, said Lori Wallach, Director of Public Citizen’s Global Trade Watch.

Wallach’s group acts as a watchdog on trade issues and is critical of the latest deal — the Trans-Pacific Partnership. The TPP is being negotiated behind closed doors, she said, with little information available to Congress, unions, or the American public. Currently involved in the negotiations are the United States, Canada, Mexico, Chile, Peru, Vietnam, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, Malaysia, Singapore, and Brunei Darussalam.

Wallach said TPP would open the door to further corporate globalization that would infringe on the fundamental mission of governments and the rights, laws, and liberties of their citizens.
Rep. Miller blasts system “rigged” by rich and powerful

THE GOP MAJORITY in the U.S. House of Representatives is so focused on destroying labor and dismantling the federal government that they “are not doing much of anything to help working people” and create jobs, Rep. George Miller (D-CA-11th) told LEAP delegates.

“You can’t cut your way to a balanced budget,” he said. “You’ve got to grow the economy, you’ve got to put people to work.” Miller noted that it is the federal government that enables highways, ports, energy grids, and other large-scale projects to proceed.

LEAP honors CAF, LEF donors

Funds support pro-worker candidates, member education

TOP DONORS TO CAF and LEF in 2012 received recognition during the 45th annual Legislative Education Action Program (LEAP) conference in Washington, D.C., May 5-9. The awards went to vice-presidential sections, individual lodges, and individual members.

CAF (Campaign Assistance Fund) is how our union contributes money to candidates for federal office. It is used primarily to make contributions to election campaigns for the U.S. House and Senate. Because CAF is a political action committee (PAC) fund, donations to it are completely voluntary. CAF money cannot come from a lodge’s treasury or dues; it can only come from donations or fund-raising activities. And only active and retired Boilermakers, and their immediate families, may give.

The conference recognized the Western States (IVP J. Tom Baca) for the highest CAF contribution by a section in 2012 — $124,806.27. Local 154, Pittsburgh, received the award for largest CAF contribution by a local lodge, raising $78,627.89. Local 11, Helena, Mont., won for highest average CAF contribution per member at $54.36. The top individual member CAF fundraiser award went to Gerald “Mozzy” Maciejewski, Local 107 (Milwaukee, Wis.), who raised $4,967.

Retirees contributed a total of $99,766.02 to CAF in 2012. International staff and officers contributed another $50,129.50.

In addition, pre-conference donations and those made during the event totaled $9,115. “This total is among the top
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— and could well be the highest — amount raised during registration and the actual event,” said Political Affairs Director Bridget Martin.

In all, Boilermakers donated $516,846.87 to CAF in 2012, a drop of 11.9 percent over 2011.

LEF donors recognized

The Legislative Education Fund (LEF) is the Boilermakers’ non-federal “527” account, which is used to influence elections to state and/or local office and to offices in political party organizations. It is not used for direct contributions to federal candidates but may be used for public communications about them. The LEF account should be spent exclusively for election-related purposes, or only in substantial for other purposes, such as legislative activities.

The award for the highest LEF contribution for a section in 2012 went to the Great Lakes (IVP Larry McManamon), which raised $60,602.22. Local 83 (Kansas City, Mo.) won the award for the highest contribution by a local, with $28,221.02. The highest average contribution per member went to Local 13 (Philadelphia) at $1.92 per month.

LEF contributions in 2012 totaled $237,807.21, an increase of 12.76 percent over 2011.

Top 10 Local Lodge CAF and LEF Contributors in 2012

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PITTSBURGH LOCAL 154 DELEGATES accept the award for highest CAF contribution by a local lodge from IVP David Haggerty, right.

IVP LARRY MCMANAMON accepts the award for highest LEF contribution by a local lodge on behalf of Local 83 (Kansas City, Mo.) from D-PA Bridget Martin.
Congresswoman puts working families first

THE BOILERMAKERS UNION honored Linda Sanchez as Legislator of the Year at the annual LEAP conference May 7. Sanchez represents California’s 38th Congressional District, which includes parts of Los Angeles County. She represented the 39th District from 2003 until 2013. Redistricting after the 2010 census made it necessary for her to run for the 38th District, which retained much of the original area she had previously served.

Sanchez has been a strong voice for working families and has been involved substantially with judiciary and trade matters. She serves on the Ways and Means Committee and also on the House Ethics Committee. She is a co-founder of the Labor and Working Families Caucus, where she strives to ensure that workers are safe on the job and are protected from employer intimidation and retaliation.

In accepting the Legislator of the Year award, Sanchez fought back tears, telling Boilermaker delegates, “With every piece of legislation that I introduce and every vote that I take on the floor, the single-most consideration that remains in front of my mind always is ‘Is this good for working families?’ To be honored today by the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, who fight tirelessly for some of the hardest-working people in the world, it really is a humbling experience.”

International President Newton B. Jones praised Rep. Sanchez, stating “She truly understands and appreciates how working families struggle, especially in these trying economic times. Her stalwart defense of workers is inspirational. We are deeply honored to acknowledge her as the Boilermakers’ Legislator of the Year.”

Linda Sanchez’s sister, Loretta, also serves in the U.S. House, representing California’s 47th District.
REP. ANN KIRKPATRICK (D-AZ-1ST), center, with l. to r., D-CRS Gary Evenson; Celia Lowrey, L-627; IVP J. Tom Baca; IST Bill Creeden; ED-CSO Kyle Evenson; and D-PA Bridget Martin.

REP. GLORIA MCCLEOD (D-CA-35TH), with l. to r. IVP J. Tom Baca and IR-ISO Bobby Godinez Sr.

FORMER CALIF. 5TH DIST. REP. KAREN THURMAN, with AD-CSO Mark Vandiver, left, and Ronnie Dexter, District 3.

REP. ERIC SWALWELL (D-CA-15TH), third from right, with l. to r. Dave Hoogendoorn, L-549; Mark Sloan, L-549; IP Newton Jones; IVP J. Tom Baca; and Jay Rojo, L-92.
REP. JOE COURTNEY (D-CT-2ND), center, with l. to r., D-PA Bridget Martin, IP Newton Jones, IVP Warren Fairley, and AD-SMDS Steve Beal.

REP. LOIS CAPPS (D-CA-24TH), center, with, l. to r., Dave Hoogendoorn, L-549; Mark Sloan, L-549; IVP J. Tom Baca; Bobby Godinez Sr., IR-ISO; and Jay Rojo, L-92.

REP. RON BARBER (D-AZ-2ND), fifth from left, with international officers, International staff, and local lodge delegates. L. to r., front row, Tyson Tullie, L-4; Louis Dodson, L-4; Celia Lowrey, L-627; IP Newton Jones; IVP J. Tom Baca; D-PA Bridget Martin; and Wes Hevener, L-627. Back row, l. to r., Jacob Evenson, L-627; Gary Aycock, L-627; IST Bill Creedon; ED-CSO Kyle Evenson; and D-CRS Gary Evenson.
REP. HANK JOHNSON (D-GA-4TH), third from left, with, l. to r., L-454 delegates Shannon Tate, Danny Hill, and Bobby Lunsford Jr.

SEN. BRIAN SCHATZ (D-HI), fourth from left, with IP Newton Jones, third from left; IVP J. Tom Baca, far right; and l. to r. Gary Aycock, L-627; and Keola Martin, L-90.

HOUSE DEMOCRATIC WHIP STENY HOYER, third from left, and l. to r., IP Newton Jones; Mike Herd, L-193; Dan Weber, L-193; Alonna Morris, L-550; Hudson Hart, L-550; Bridget Martin, D-PA; and retired L-193 BM-ST Ernie Dorsey.
SEN. BEN CARDIN (D-MD), center, with L-193 delegates, l. to r., Dan Weber and Mike Herd.

REP. BILL ENYART (D-IL-12TH), fifth from left, with IVP Larry McManamon, center, and l. to r., Ben Kosiek, L-1; Glenn Reinhardt, L-483; Lew Moceri, L-363; IR Bill Staggs; and Kirk Cooper, L-60.

REP. ALAN LOWENTHAL (D-CA-47TH), fifth from left, with IP Newton Jones, fourth from left; IVP J. Tom Baca, second from right, and l. to r., Bobby Godinez Sr., IR-ISO; Dave Hoogendoorn, L-549; Mark Sloan, L-549; and Jay Rojo, L-92.
REP. SHEILA JACKSON LEE (D-TX-18TH), with l. to r., IVP Larry McManamon, IP Newton Jones, and Mark Thompson, Lone Star District.

REP. MIKE QUIGLEY (D-IL-5TH), third from left, with, l. to r., IR Bill Staggs; Ben Kosiek, L-1; and Kirk Cooper, L-60.

REP. BRAD SCHNEIDER (D-IL-10TH), front row, sixth from left; with IP Newton Jones, fifth from left; IP Larry McManamon, fourth from left; IR Bill Staggs, back row far fright; and lodge delegates and guests from Illinois.
REP. MARK POCAN (D-WI-2ND), left, with L-107’s Mozzy Maciejewski and Director of Political Affairs Bridget Martin.

REP. JANICE HAHN (D-CA-44TH), center, with l. to r., Dave Hoogendoorn, L-549; Mark Sloan, L-549; Jay Rojo, L-92; and IVP J. Tom Baca.

REP. CHERI BUSTOS (D-IL-17TH), center, with IP Newton Jones, fourth from left; IVP Larry McManamon, sixth from left; IR Bill Staggs, third from right; and l. to r., Brandon Ragland, L-363; Ben Kosiek, L-3; Lew Moceri, L-363; Kirk Cooper, L-60; and Glenn Reinhardt, L-483.
ReP. Sandy Levin, (D-MI-9th), sixth from left, with the L-169 delegation and IP Newton Jones, fifth from left; IVP Larry McManamon, third from left; IR Len Gunderson, third from right; and IR Don Hamric, far right.

ReP. Steve Daines, third from left, with I. to r., John Roeber, L-11; IP Newton Jones; and IVP J. Tom Baca.

ReP. Patrick Murphy (D-FL-18TH), left, and Ronnie Dexter, District 3.

ReP. Joe Garcia (D-FL-26TH), right, and Mark Vandiver, AD-CSO/D-NTDS.

ReP. Sandy Levin, (D-MI-9TH), sixth from left, with the L-169 delegation and IP Newton Jones, fifth from left; IVP Larry McManamon, third from left; IR Len Gunderson, third from right; and IR Don Hamric, far right.
REP. BETTY MCCOLLUM (D-MN-4TH), with L-647 delegates, l. to r., Derek McPheeters, Stacey Bendish, and Matt Olsen.

REP. JOHN CONYERS (D-MI-18TH), fourth from left, and l. to r., L-169 delegates Jim Kaffenberger, Paul Easley, Lori Custer, and Bob Hutseb.

REP. MIKE MCINTYRE (D-NC-7TH), third from left, with l. to r., Larry Phillips, L-455; IP Newton Jones; D-PA Bridget Jones; AD-SMDS Steve Beal; and Trey Howard, L-455.
REP. JOHN TIERNY (D-MA-6TH), center, with l. to r., L-29 delegates Chuck Hancock and Tom Saccoach.

REP. DAN BENISHEK (D-MI-1ST), center, with L-169 delegates, l. to r., Jim Kaffenberger, Paul Easley, Bob Hutsell, and Lori Custer.

SEN. BEN CARDIN (D-MD), third from right, with delegates from L-550 and employer representatives from Vulcan Hart.
REP. BENNIE THOMPSON (D-MS-2ND), left, with Director of Political Affairs Bridget Martin and IR J.T. Rhea.

REP. BILL KEATING (D-MA-9TH), third from left, with IP Newton Jones, second from left, and L-29 delegates Chuck Hancock, far left, and Tom Saccoach, far right.

REP. RICK NOLAN (D-MN-8TH), third from left, with IVP Larry McManamon, fourth from left; and l. to r., L-647 delegates Matt Olsen, Stacey Bendish, Derek McPheeters, and Keenan Retterath.
**REP. BRIAN HIGGINS (D-NY-26TH)**, third from left, with l. to r. Marty Spencer, BNAP National Coordinator; Michael Bogue, L-7; and Dan DeCarlo, L-7.

**REP. ANDRE CARSON (D-IN-7TH)**, third from left, with IP Newton Jones second from left; IVP Larry McManamon, far left; IR Don Hamric, far right; and delegates from the state of Indiana.

**RON KLINK**, former congressman from the 4th District of Pa., center front, with delegates from the state of Pennsylvania.
**REP. ELIOT ENGEL (D-NY-16TH)**, third from left, with l. to r., Tom Ryan, L-5; IP Newton Jones; and Kevin O’Brien, L-5.

**REP. RUSH HOLT (D-NJ-12TH)**, fourth from left, with IP Newton Jones, third from left, and lodge delegates from New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania.

**REP. TONY CARDENAS (D-CA-29TH)**, center, with l. to r., Dave Hoogendoorn, L-549; Mark Sloan, L-549; IVP J. Tom Baca; Jay Rojo, L-92; Bobby Godinez Sr., IR-ISO; and IR Jim Cooksey.
WEST VIRGINIA AUDITOR GLEN GAINER III, center, with IP Newton Jones, left, and B.B. Smith, Local 667 (retired).

REP. DAVID LOEBSACK (D-IA-2ND) with Legislative Director Cecile Conroy.

REP. DENNY HECK (D-WASH-10TH), center front, with IVP J. Tom Baca, sixth from left, Gary Powers, AD-ISO, far left; and delegates from the state of Washington.

REP. DEREK KILMER (D-WA-6TH), center, with IVP J. Tom Baca, far left, and delegates from L-104 and L-290.
REP. SUZAN DELBENE (D-WA-1ST), front row, third from left; with IVP J. Tom Baca, back row, third from left; and delegates from L-104 and L-290.

REP. DON PAYNE (D-NJ-10TH), center, with IP Newton Jones, third from left; and l. to r., Tony Sherman, Dave Gaillard, Robert Chowning, and Sean Harvey, L-19; and Jim Chew, Skip Redfield, and Jay Brophy, L-28.

REP. PAUL TONKO (D-NY-20TH), third from left, with IP Newton Jones, second from left; Tom Ryan, L-5, far left; and Kevin O’Brien, L-5, far right.
Boilermakers from 15 lodges work together on major Syncrude job

THE SPRING 2012 Syncrude outage in Fort McMurray, Alberta, was significant for several reasons, according to L-146 (Edmonton) member Denis Lafleur. First, it was one of the largest outages in the Oil Sands region, involving work on Syncrude’s 37-1 plant that included two furnaces and a 256-ft. vacuum tower (one of the world’s largest). Second, the successful project brought together field construction Boilermakers from 15 locals on both sides of the U.S.-Canadian border.

“In all my years as a Boilermaker and being in the construction trades for over 20-something years, [I never saw] professional tradesmen come together and work as a team” in the way they did on the Syncrude outage, Lafleur stated in a written submission to the Boilermaker Reporter.

“Everyone from first-year apprentices to journeymen/journeywomen with five, 10, or 15 years of experience and up — as well as some of our retired members with up to 40 years of experience — worked together, learned from one another, and performed with professionalism and respect.”

Lafleur added, “With all the upcoming work here in Canada, it would be great” for Boilermakers from both countries to work together again.

Approximately 300 U.S. Boilermakers were involved in Canadian projects in 2012, about 150 of them on the Syncrude outage, according to Jim Beauchamp, coordinator for the BCA/IBB Boilermaker Recruitment Initiative.

Beauchamp said he has received positive feedback from a number of U.S. members regarding the Syncrude shutdown, including one who commented, “I can’t tell you how many good guys I met and worked with up there. It was a fantastic experience. The work was good, also. All in all, it was one of the best jobs I have ever had in my 11 years as a Boilermaker.”

Boilermakers from 15 lodges work together on major Syncrude job

Canadian, U.S. members complete Oil Sands outage

U.S. members wishing to secure work in Canada should register for a Canadian travel card at http://boilermaker.ca/USMembers.htm.

For additional information, contact Jim Beauchamp at jbeauchamp@boilermaker.ca.
The leader of a Ukrainian shipyard union received a warm welcome March 22 at Local 1998 (National City, Calif.) and enjoyed a boat tour of the NASSCO shipyard from San Diego Bay.

Anatoliy Nyemov, chairman of the Okean Shipyard trade union in Mykolaiv, Ukraine, requested the meeting after learning about L-1998 on the lodge’s Voice of the Shipyard website. Mykolaiv is a major shipbuilding center on the Black Sea.

Nyemov visited lodge offices accompanied by his wife, Liubov, a shipbuilding welder engineer employed at the Okean yard, and interpreter Oksana Kovalka. Representing the Boilermakers were ISO Director/AAIP Tyler Brown, Assistant ISO Director Gary Powers, IR Jim Cooksey, and L-1998 President Robert Godinez.

The group met at the union hall and discussed shipbuilding and union rights before visiting with NASSCO officials. After a boat tour of the shipyard, the group viewed the USS Midway aircraft carrier, enjoyed lunch together, and exchanged gifts.

“It was a memorable event,” said Godinez. “Our guests saw all the ships we build and repair. They were very familiar with these types of ships and had many questions.”

Godinez said one of the interesting things they learned about Ukrainian shipyards is that they avoid strikes by working through a government agency that provides binding interest arbitration, similar to what is used in Major League Baseball.
L-D366 retirees cement relationships

WHAT STARTED OUT as a loose network of retired Local D366 (Mississauga, Ontario) members that stayed in touch with one another has grown into something more, says Pierre Pommainville, kneeling at far right, who retired in 2009 from the Mississauga Cement Plant after 35 years. Pommainville organized a get-together for coffee back in 2010, and was pleased to see 15 retirees show up. That first event went so well that the group has more than doubled in size. Retirees from the Ogden Point Quarry are also part of the group.

Pommainville helps keep the retirees connected during the year by sending out birthday and Christmas cards. During meetings, he also distributes tokens provided by the company, such as Holcim ball caps and notepads.

Any retiree from the cement plant or quarry who would like to join the group can call or email Pommainville at 905-575-7797, ppommainville@yahoo.com.

ABOVE: L-D366 RETIREES attending the April 9, 2013 meeting included Marcel Aubin, Gerard Bastien, Maurice Berube, Egon Burke, Antonio Cabral, Antonio Carnevale, Gerry Colarusso, Frank Folcarelli, Nick Folcarelli, Emile Gilbert, Jose Goulart, Bob Halas, Les Illes, Giuseppe Iosue, Donald Ladouceur, Rosair e Lavoie, Danny Lenarduzzi, Verner Lessard, David Middleton, Ben Minino, Jimmy Pece, Pierre Pommainville, Nick Romeo, Raffaele Rummo, Drago Sabljak, Fausto Sciarra, Frank Skorija, Kiro Stojanoski, Attilio Ventresca, Bruno Vienneau, George e Vienneau, Ken West, Willi Zimmerman, Don Booth, John McKnight, and Marius Seglias.
Local 169 welding contest becomes destination for high schoolers

Over 500 participate since program’s inception

Story and photos by Marty Mulcahy, the Building Tradesman

A DECADE AFTER the first Boilermakers Local 169 High School Welding Invitational, the annual springtime event has become a fixture on the calendar for both the union and high school vocational education programs around Michigan.

This year, the invitational was held April 26 at Local 169’s training center. In attendance were 54 students from 13 different high schools, seeking an opportunity to show their knowledge in a written test and skills in a welding examination during a day-long contest. Since 2003, the event has opened doors to the Local 169 apprenticeship program, as 40 students have been indentured over the years.

“It’s a very important event on our schedule,” Local 169 Business Agent/Apprentice Coordinator Mark Wertz told the students before the competition. Wertz organized the invitational since its inception. “For us, this competition is about finding the right people for the craft. But for all of you, use this as an opportunity to learn. The judges are here to judge your work, but more importantly they’re here to guide you and help you.”

Students were judged on both a 100-question multiple-choice test and a weld exam involving an open-butt, vertical V-groove.

“Not everyone is bound for college,” Local 169 Business Manager Bob Hutsell told attendees. “If you’re accepted into the Boilermakers, we pay for all your training, and you can go across the country with your skills to find work. It’s hot, difficult work, but we’re all about safety.”

High schools that are invited can bring up to four students. To date, more than 500 students have participated during the program’s 11-year run.

“You have an opportunity to get signed up for the Boilermaker trade,” said Detroit Boiler Co. President Chris Lanzon. “If you work hard and apply yourself, it can be a great opportunity for you. But we expect you to do work in a safe, skilled manner.”

Marty Spencer, national coordinator of the Boilermakers National Apprenticeship Program, himself a graduate of Seneca Vocational High School in Buffalo, New York, told the students that he made a special effort to attend the Michigan invitational “because I understand what vocational tech is, and what it does for society. If you are able to get into the Boilermakers, you cannot get better training. We give you all the training, and all the opportunity — and it’s free. If you can concentrate on learning the trade, you can have what we have: a career.”

Winning the Invitational were (first through third place) Justin Zueski, Flat Rock High School; Michael Waszkiewicz, Flat Rock High School, and Kai Armstrong, Stevenson High School. St. Clair High School won the team award.
Local 1 • Chicago

JOHN SKERMONT, BM-ST of Local 1, Chicago, reports presentation of membership pins to the following:

30 YEARS August Pusateri.

Local 7 • Buffalo, N.Y.

DAN DECARLO, BM-ST of Local 7, Buffalo, N.Y., reports presentation of membership pins to the following:

65 YEARS William E. Walsh;
60 YEARS Eugene G. Principe;
55 YEARS Raymond J. Dobson, Robert E. Shannon, Joseph T. Stocklosa;
50 YEARS Peter J. Mazzeo;
40 YEARS Joseph Andolina, John A. Battaglia, Curtis A. Mulhollan, Cleave E. Mulhollan, David G. Vogt; and

Local 83 • Kansas City, Mo.

SCOT ALBERTSON, BM-ST of Local 83, Kansas City, Mo., reports presentation of membership pins to the following:

35 YEARS Timothy Reed, Dennis Sammett, Don Whitsell;
30 YEARS John Guertin, James Hartzog, William Kuntze;
20 YEARS Robert Postlewait, Donald Bauer, Donald Buchanan, Paul Haberkamp, Gernard LeBlanc;
15 YEARS Marvin Stickney, Bobby Warman;
10 YEARS James Allen, Joanne Bartels, Paul Germond, Earnest Goerbig, Larry Welch, Jim Williamson Sr.,
5 YEARS Jeffery Richards, Gregory Theodore, Ted Vore;

Local 169 • Detroit

BOB HUTSELL, BM-ST of Local 169, Detroit, reports presentation of membership pins to the following:

70 YEARS Edward Etter, Charles Forbush, Ray Swistara, Carl Wanerus, Anthony Weiner, Robert West, James Wright;
65 YEARS Robert Postlewait, Donald Bauer, Donald Buchanan, Paul Haberkamp, Gernard LeBlanc;
60 YEARS Edward Etter, Charles Forbush, Ray Swistara, Carl Wanerus, Anthony Weiner, Robert West, James Wright;
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25 YEARS John Guertin, James Hartzog, William Kuntze;

Local 191 retirees receive 60-year pins

RETIERED MEMBERS OF LOCAL 191, VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA, RECEIVED PINS ACKNOWLEDGING THEIR 60TH YEAR OF MEMBERSHIP WITH THE UNION DURING CEREMONIES RECENTLY. Group photo, left to right, Local 191 BM-ST Jim Fitzpatrick and retirees Roy Gallop, Wes Morhart, Stan Betts, Darrell Walker, and Ernie Smith. In accompanying photo are 93-year-old Howie East, left, and Fitzpatrick. Not pictured are 60-year members Corky Bryant and Art Holland. Chartered in 1951, Local 191 represents members employed in shipbuilding and repair; the fabrication of logging equipment, pressure vessels, and structural steel; and the refitting of naval ships and submarines.
With deep sorrow, the International Brotherhood records the death of these members as reported to the International Secretary-Treasurer’s office and extends its heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved families.

NTL Bernard, Eddie R. 27  Beiter, Dennis B. 104  Altenburg, Alan E. 237  Curbow, William E 549  McKay Jr., George A.
NTL Boikous, Janis 27  Crowe, John F. 104  An, Se R. 237  Garagliano, Thomas J 549  Richardson, Ronald
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NTL Denton, John R. 27  Lamastus, David 104  Greenwood, Perry H. 242  Fowler, James D 568  Selbee Sr., Elgin M.
NTL Felix, Edward J. 27  Wolf, Woodrow L. 104  Holmen, Gene E. 263  Arnold, George 568  Singleton, John A.
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11 DeTonancour, Dete L. 85  Gordon, Robert L 177  Phillips, Donald M. 456  Zollner, Michael L. 696  Parrette, James R.
11 Hayes, William W. 88  Harper Jr., Alex E. 182  Johnson, Andrew D. 482  Seely, Robert A 696  Wanholm, Ray C.
13 Coleman, Patrick 92  Hodges, George L 191  Bryant, Gordon F 487  Thyes, Robert L 752  Tiron Jr., John J.
13 Frank, Roy W. 92  Moseley, Fred W. 193  Duncan, Hewell L. 502  Laanui, Moses K. 802  Stewart, Kenneth W.
13 Loch, Leonard W. 92  Ries, Ralph R. 193  Parker, Robert W. 502  Munroe, Albert G 802  Toth, Frank J.
26 Roberson, Hubert M. 92  Zapata, Jaime L. 203  Gushue, James 531  Barajas, Eduardo 900  Hannahs, Richard R.
26 Williams, Troy 101  Roberts, L E 204  Davis, Richard L 549  Lopez, Fernando 900  Hollis, H. L.

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THE DEATH BENEFIT PLAN under the Boilermaker-Blacksmith National Pension Trust has paid the beneficiaries of the following deceased members who were covered by the plan since the last issue of our publication.

If you have not yet been furnished this information, contact your local lodge, secure the beneficiary forms, complete the required information, and forward to the Administrative Office of the Pension Fund, 754 Minnesota Avenue, Suite $22$, Kansas City, KS 66101, at the earliest possible date.

NOTE: These additional death benefits can only be derived for members who worked under a collective bargaining agreement with an employer contributing to the Boilermaker-Blacksmith National Pension Trust.
Local 169 • Detroit (continued)

25 YEARS Paul Pentecost, Jack Teschendorf;

20 YEARS David Beaulieu, Lou Burruzeo, Jim Calouette, Donald Chester, Rick Edgar, Richard Grant, Kenneth Haas, Eric Henkle, Arnold Huber, Larry Kelley, Duane Kraai, Kelly Luokkala, Michael McDonald, Robert MacLeod, Layne Neddow, Calvin Ridgeway, Michael Richter, Allan Sullivan, Alex Zarb; and


Local 433 • Tampa, Fla.

JAMES BARNES JR., BM-ST of Local 433, Tampa, Fla., reports presentation of membership pins to the following:

45 YEARS John Parry;

40 YEARS James Denmark.

Local 500 • Portland, Ore.

DARIN MCCARTHY, BM-ST of Local 500, Portland, Ore., reports presentation of membership pins to the following:


Local 549 • Pittsburg, Calif.

DALE BILYEU, BM-ST of Local 549, Pittsburg, Calif., reports presentation of membership pins to the following:

70 YEARS Lavern (Tom) Velasco;

65 YEARS George Nimmo;

55 YEARS Hans Hoogendoorn;

45 YEARS William M. Fox, Richard Hartung, John Riccobungo, Billy Wyrick;

35 YEARS Robert Cuneo, Richard Cunz, Tommy Dunlap, Danny Gomez, Leroy Gomez, Jack Nail, Gary Van Overschelde, John Wilson;

30 YEARS Bruyn Dixey, Pault Finau Sr., Michael Hansen, Eric Howard, Gerry Johnson Jr., James Kennedy, Benjamin Upchurch;

25 YEARS Allen Clayton, Richard Ghiselli, Timothy Taylor;

20 YEARS Bernice Hall; and

15 YEARS John Bauman, Thomas May Jr.

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900 Spinelli, Jack H. 1622 Craven, Cecil W.
906 Bracken, Jeremy M. 1666 Page, Billy E.
920 Boutet, David A. 1670 Hill Jr., Eligha
1073 Gamble, David L. 1702 Hoch, David J.
1212 Washington, Prentiss 1999 Hamlett, James W.
1234 Green, Lois 1670 Hill Jr., Eligha
1240 Lewis, Robert K. 1702 Hoch, David J.
1240 Watts, Shelby 1702 Hoch, David J.
1509 McGowan, Joseph E. 1622 Craven, Cecil W.
1509 Navarro, Dante 1666 Page, Billy E.
1509 Wasikowski, Harvey P. 1670 Hill Jr., Eligha
1600 Thorn, Kermit E. 1702 Hoch, David J.

D331 Hofman, Darwin R.
D381 Korakis, Kenneth N.
D385 McMunn, Deborah M.
D469 Gilbert, Alfred P.
D472 Delaval, Donald G.
D494 Williams, Joseph
M3 Hudson, Mary R.
M18 Mikkiewicz, John
M24 Long, Dixie
S4 Showalter, David L.
S50 Lam, Joseph J.
S1978 Christensen, Scott

587 Fawor, Curtis 6,000.00
587 Garsee, Donny M. 6,000.00
587 Harford, Beauford E. 6,000.00
587 Kelley, Earl L 3,000.00
587 Kirkland, Terry G. 6,000.00
587 Oates, Ronny E. 6,000.00
587 Overstreet, Kyle S. 6,000.00
587 Pompeo, Sr., Dewey 6,000.00
587 Smith, William L. 6,000.00
587 Sonnier, James B. 6,000.00
587 Tillman, Gordon* 1,200.00
590 Jackson, Ola H. 6,000.00
592 Chapman, Wayne E.* 3,000.00
620 Polosko, Louis J.* 3,000.00
627 Clark, Scottie L.* 3,990.00
627 Crawford, Jasper L.* 6,000.00
627 Dotty, Richard E. 6,000.00
636 Home, Gerri A. 6,000.00
636 McAuley, Clifford A. 6,000.00
647 Cox, Robert E. 4,000.00
647 Hanson, Arthur P. 6,000.00
647 Johnson, Lavene E.* 1,500.00
647 Olson, Gerald O. 6,000.00
647 Peters, Anthony E. 7,500.00
647 Savage, Bradley J. 1,419.18
647 Tornmanson, Ellis M.* 3,000.00
647 Veralrud, Arden N. 6,000.00
651 Alicata, Concetto* 3,000.00
667 Lybold, Raymond V.* 3,000.00
667 Mahaffey, Robert L.* 2,000.00
667 Yoho, Jerry W. 6,000.00
679 Fountain, Leslie T.* 5,756.88
684 Cleveland Sr., David 3,000.00
688 Walker, Gary W. 3,000.00
693 Morgenstier, William C. 6,000.00
696 White, Robert W. 6,000.00
697 Schmitt, James H. 6,000.00
697 Van De Loo, Vincent* 1,000.00
729 Adams, Norris A. 6,000.00
744 Cutshall, Marilyn L.* 2,000.00
744 Eberl, Julius J.* 3,000.00
744 Wilson, Clarence E. 6,000.00
801 Morina, Salvatore C. 6,000.00
802 Bull, Donald S. 6,000.00
802 Campbell, John 6,000.00
802 Gibbs, John W. 5,613.58
802 Lang, Oscar W.* 6,000.00
802 Siple Jr., George J. 6,000.00
802 Stevens Jr., John M. 6,000.00
807 Fazata, John S. 6,000.00
807 Moseley, Fred W. 6,000.00
900 Thomas, Joseph 575.74
906 Cekus, Gary R. 6,000.00
906 Palmer, Kevin D. 5,000.86
911 Mattern, Robert L. 6,000.00
1086 Wymer, Daniel D. 6,730.63
1212 McMahand, Alvin 6,000.00
1212 Miller, Donald E.* 6,000.00
1234 Green, Lois A. 5,643.15
1240 Watts, Shelby 3,000.00
1509 McGowan, Joseph E.* 6,000.00
1509 Megal, Jerome W.* 6,000.00
1509 Papanik, Peter J. 1,500.00
1600 Yeoward, Fred K.* 2,000.00
1603 Penny, John R. 6,000.00
1610 Robinson, Edward D. 5,881.98
1622 Small Jr., David 10,101.68
1624 Kozol, John J.* 2,000.00
1670 Hawks, Darrel E. 2,936.18
1670 Miles, Ernest F. 6,000.00
1679 Patterson, Barney A. 6,000.00
2000 Lang, Oscar W. 6,000.00
D472 DeLaval, Donald C. 6,000.00

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A safe work environment is essential to every field construction worker and the MOST OSHA 10/30 Program ensures that Boilermakers are the best trained and safest workforce on your project. Today’s workplace is constantly changing, which makes it crucial for workers to be current on federal requirements and safety standards. The MOST OSHA 10/30 Program sets the standard for the industry by helping workers recognize dangers and prevent injuries on the job by raising awareness of hazards.

Since its inception in 1993, the MOST OSHA 10/30 Program has saved the industry billions of dollars and reduced injuries by more than 90 percent.

In addition to reducing lost time for injuries and providing a safe work environment for Boilermakers, the program also reduces liability issues for Owners and Contractors, making it a win-win-win for everyone involved.

“The MOST OSHA 10/30 Program is a critical part of our NACBE/IBB joint effort to improve the safety and quality aspects of what we have to offer the Owner community,” said John Erickson, executive director of NACBE. “Having all Contractors utilizing the same safety program and all Boilermakers trained in that program brings obvious efficiencies and it literally makes our safety concepts a ‘way of life’ for all involved.”

This ‘way of life’ has led to decades of reductions in lost time and compensable injuries. Although those categories are typically mentioned as the value of this program, its real worth lies in one of the most mundane daily tasks on a job site, walking safely through the gate at the end of the day. That is the real value for Owners, Contractors and the Union.

“At FirstEnergy, safety is the highest priority and the most important detail on any of our job sites,” said George Farah, vice president, Fossil Engineering and Construction, FirstEnergy Corp. “I am always very impressed with how the Boilermakers take safety so seriously on our job sites and in their training, especially with the MOST OSHA 10/30 Program. The advantage that the MOST OSHA 10/30 Program provides is immeasurable. We continue to see safety performance improve and are thankful for the Boilermakers who take their own time to train and stay as safe as possible.”

The MOST OSHA 10/30 Program gives Boilermakers the peace of mind that they are current with the latest federal requirements and safety standards, and Owners and Contractors the security that they have a safe and prepared workforce that will reduce liability issues and ensure profitability. Ultimately, the safer the job site, the better the next opportunity will be for everyone involved.

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