Mass. Electric Construction, Local 96 Underway with 3.4MW Solar Farm for Town of Shrewsbury

Washington, D.C. – Mass. Electric Construction Company, headquartered in Waltham, MA, has been awarded and is underway with electrical construction of the 3.4MW ground-mount solar farm at the Shrewsbury, Massachusetts landfill for the Town of Shrewsbury.

A crew of 35 IBEW Local 96 electricians is providing installations for the large-scale solar project, which is comprised of an RBI ground-mount racking system designed to withstand 100mph wind speed and 55psf snow loading, and 11,880 SunTech solar panels. Mass. Electric Project Manager Kevin Conlon and Local 96 Foreman Dave Michaels are supervising the project team. Construction began in early April and the project is targeted for completion in fall 2018. The Local 96 contractor is teaming with EBI Solar, based in Cincinnati, Ohio.


WASHINGTON, D.C. – IBEW Local 96 Business Manager Thomas Maloney and Business Agent David Martinelli proudly represented the Worcester electrical union at the annual IBEW Construction and Maintenance Conference in Washington D.C., April 11-13, 2018. Maloney and Martineelli met with Massachusetts legislators, discussing issues important to the electrical construction industry in Central Massachusetts.

The theme of the conference, “Evolve, Expand and Energize” was introduced in the General Session, as Lonnie Stephenson, President of IBEW International, presented a powerful message of building a stronger union, through proactive outreach and organizing efforts, so that “every worker doing quality electrical work has a place in the IBEW.” He also spoke of the necessity of outreach to our nation’s young people, as early as when they are in junior high school, so they understand there is an outstanding career path for them as electricians.

The conference’s special guest speaker was retired Naval Special Warfare Development Group Team Leader Robert O’Neill, one of the most highly decorated combat veterans of our time. O’Neill, who led the Naval SEAL Team 6 mission in the Osama bin Laden raid, spoke of his experience and the importance of brotherhood and teamwork in his service and in achieving success in all endeavors. “Even on the bin Laden raid,” he said, “everyone talks of Seal Team 6. No one talks about the pilots, the aircrew, the intelligence analysts who were all so integral to the success of the effort.” The overriding message, which was so appropriate to IBEW leadership, electricians and contractors alike, was, “Everyone’s part of the team. Believe in yourself, believe in your team.”

The conference also showcased innovative electrical products and technologies that are powering the electrical industry.
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