

National Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee for the Electrical Industry

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Milwaukee Electric Tools Agrees to a 3-Year \$2.5 Million Extension of Its Support of the NJATC and Its Training Programs

The Platinum Level Training Partner will enhance the "Milwaukee Test and Measurement Academy"

UPPER MARLBORO, MD – The National Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee for the Electrical Industry (NJATC) is pleased to announce an extension of the *Milwaukee Test and Measurement Academy*, first announced at the National Training Institute in Ann Arbor, Michigan, in August 2010. Milwaukee continues to demonstrate an exceptional level of support for the workers in the organized electrical industry by entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) outlining this support. For an additional 3 years, Milwaukee will continue to support the NJATC's blended learning program not only through the *Test and Measurement Academy* but also through the augmentation of other areas within the NJATC curriculum.

The NJATC is a nonprofit organization founded by the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) to develop and standardize education in the electrical industry. Milwaukee's \$2.5 million extension of support will continue to ensure the company's predominant position as an NJATC "Platinum Level" training partner. This 3-year extension will continue existing programs and add additional resources and scholarships to the NJATC curriculum, including:

- The Milwaukee Test and Measurement Academy—Currently includes an "Introduction to Meters" and a series of 7 "Work Order" scenarios that will allow learners to troubleshoot real-world installations in an immersive 3D gaming environment.
- Local JATC support—Through the implementation of the *Big H.O.S.S. (Hands-On Simulated Systems)* program and outfitting of a limited number of JATCs per year with display boards and endowment of products to 30 JATCs per year.
- Support for the NJATC National Training Institute (NTI)—Through the support of both NTI graduates and Outstanding Apprentices, as well as support for every "Instructor Group" participant in the Institute.

"The NJATC is proud to continue to build a long-term relationship with a company of the caliber of Milwaukee; there is no doubt that this MOU propels the relationship to higher levels. We always desire to work with companies who are leaders in the market, and there is no doubt that Milwaukee fits this description," said NJATC Executive Director Michael Callanan. "The NJATC is grateful for the commitment from Milwaukee and believes that the partnership is a good fit because of the NJATC's aspiration and commitment to being a leader in the creation and delivery of world-class training materials for the organized electrical industry," Callanan said.

"Since launching a complete line of test and measurement products in 2009, we remain focused on educating future generations of apprentices and journeymen," said Milwaukee President of Sales Darrell Hendrix. "We are extremely proud to partner with the NJATC to further develop educational tools that will ultimately increase the student's productivity and safety."

About Milwaukee Electric Tool Corporation

Milwaukee Electric Tool Corporation, a Brookfield, Wisconsin-based subsidiary of Techtronic Industries Co. Ltd. (TTI) (HKEx stock code: 669, ADR symbol: TTNDY) is an industry leading manufacturer and marketer of professional, heavy duty power tools and accessories. Products include the legendary SAWZALL® reciprocating saws, M12[™], M18[™] & M28[™] LITHIUM cordless tools, HOLE-HAWG® drills, portable band saws, circular saws, driver drills, hammer drills, rotary hammers, grinders, sanders and a line of Test & Measurement and Hand Tools. Accessories include SAWZALL® blades, SWITCHBLADE® self-feed bits, BIG HAWG® hole cutters, THUNDERBOLT® drill bits and SHOCKWAVE Impact Duty[™]. For more information on the full line of Milwaukee® power tools and accessories, please call 1-800-SAWDUST or visit www.milwaukeetool.com.

About NJATC

The NJATC is a nonprofit organization founded in 1941 by the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW). The organization is committed to developing and standardizing education in the electrical industry to properly and effectively train members of NECA and the IBEW; providing the electrical construction industry with the most highly trained and skilled workforce possible. Since its inception, more than 325,000 apprentices have completed NJATC training programs and become competent Journeymen, making the organization one of the largest training and apprenticeship programs of its kind. For more information, go to www.njatc.org.

About National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA)

NECA is the voice of the \$130 billion electrical construction industry that brings power, light, and communication technology to buildings and communities across the United States. NECA's national office and 119 local chapters advance the industry through advocacy, education, research, and standards development. For more information, visit <u>www.necanet.org</u>.

About The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW)

The IBEW is an international labor organization that has trained the most qualified electricians in the trade for more than 117 years. With approximately 725,000 members in the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Republic of Panama, the IBEW has members in construction, utilities, manufacturing, telecommunications, broadcasting, railroads and government. For more information, visit <u>www.ibew.org</u>.

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