NEW JERSEY IEC AND ROCKY MOUNTAIN IEC NAMED LEGISLATIVE CHAPTERS OF THE YEAR

The Independent Electrical Contractors named New Jersey IEC and Rocky Mountain IEC Legislative Chapters of the Year at the recent 52nd Annual IEC National Convention and IEC Electric Expo 2009 in St. Louis, Missouri.

“I am proud to recognize these two chapters for all their hard work in the legislative arena,” said Larry Mullins, IEC National Executive Vice President and CEO. “Their efforts have protected the rights of small businesses and their employees throughout our industry.”

In the category with 31 to 60 contractor members, New Jersey IEC (pictured at right) was recognized as an IEC National Legislative Chapter of the Year for diligently working through the legislative process to create a safe and fair environment for all electrical contractors to work.

Some examples of legislative efforts of New Jersey IEC include: writing and introducing legislation making it illegal to advertise as an electrical contractor without an Electrical Contractor’s License and Business Permit as well as writing and introducing legislation requiring all Electrical Contractors to attend 10 hours of Continuing Education on the National Electrical Code changes every three years. They wrote & introduced legislation that require that in house industry Journeymen Electricians register with the Licensing Board and attend 10 hours of Continuing Education on the Code Changes in order to renew their registration every three years.

NJ-IEC has also successfully blocked legislative efforts to weaken the NJ Electrical Contractors License and Amending legislation to exempt electrical contractors from additional licensing or regulatory requirements including the Burglar and Fire Alarm License, Fire Alarm Registration, Home Improvement Contractor Registration HVAC License and many more.