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***JAY BADAME OF TISHMAN CONSTRUCTION AND DAVID PINTER OF ZWICKER
ELECTRIC ELECTED TO LEADERSHIP OF BTEA AS CO-CHAIRMEN***

NEW YORK—January 26, 2012 – Louis J. Coletti, President & CEO of the Building Trades Employers' Association (BTEA) has announced that **Jay Badame** of Tishman Construction Corp. an AECOM Company, and the Building Contractors Association, and **David Pinter** of Zwicker Electric and National Electrical Contractors Association, New York City Chapter have been elected as Co-Chairmen of the Association. This is the first year that the association has elected co-chairmen that demonstrate the unity within the organization between construction managers/general contractors and subcontractors. This is to enforce the goal of all members in advancing the success and interests of union contractors in New York City.

The expansion of the BTEA's core leadership group signifies the unprecedented support that the organization has earned among the construction contractor community.

As President and Chief Operating Officer of Tishman Construction Corporation, An AECOM Company, for New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, Mr. Badame is responsible for projects, operations, administration, personnel, and business development in those regions. Mr. Badame also serves on the company's Management Committee. Mr. Badame has more than 30 years of construction industry experience and joined Tishman Construction in 1985.

As President and Chief Operating Officer, he has played a key role in expanding Tishman's portfolio in many sectors and regions, including the opening of Tishman Construction's regional office in Philadelphia.

David Pinter drives Zwicker Electric and is responsible for its leadership position in New York's electrical contracting industry. David Pinter joined Zwicker in 1972 and has worked in every aspect of the electrical contracting business, including accounting, engineering, estimating, purchasing, operations and project management. His technical expertise and business acumen led to his promotion to Chief Financial Officer, followed by his appointment to Executive Vice President and then President and CEO in 1984. He was elected in January 2012 as the national vice president of the National Electrical Contractors Association. He will be representing the Northeastern United States on the executive board of national NECA.

Badame and Pinter are joined by a solid roster of officers including Vice Chairmen Steven Alessio of Sweet Construction Corp., Anthony Bell of Martin Associates, Inc., Peter Cafiero of

Island Painting, Inc., Pat A. DiFilippo of Turner Construction Co., Michael Gabbay of Plaza Construction Corp. and Arthur Rubinstein of Skyline Steel Corp., along with Treasurer Don DeNardo of Lend Lease LMB, Inc., General Counsel Robert S. Peckar, Esq. and Steve Charney of Peckar & Abramson, Past Chairman Kenneth A. Durr of Durr Mechanical Construction, Inc. and Lifetime Member John Cavanagh of Cavanagh/Stewart International, Inc.

The Board has announced its agenda for 2012 and several committees to advance its mission including:

- Government Affairs
- Construction Safety
- Construction Manager/General Contractor Roundtable
- Construction Fire Safety
- Subcontractor Roundtable
- Strategic Plan

The association has experienced strong involvement by its members in the past year and has expanded its committees to include more contractor participation and to address the needs of the greater construction industry.

About The Building Trades Employers' Association (BTEA)

The Building Trades Employers' Association (BTEA) consists of 27 trade union contractor associations, representing the 1,700 construction managers, general contractors and specialty subcontractor firms in New York City, who employ 125,000 tradespeople. Members range in size from multi-billion dollar internationally recognized firms to small and mid-sized specialty trade contracting firms. The BTEA works to advance the interest of New York City Construction Trade Associations and their corporate members, recognizing that a vibrant unionized construction industry is essential to the economic future of New York City. For more information, visit <http://www.bteany.com>.

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