



Synergy

OUR 51ST YEAR

CONTRA COSTA CHAPTER

August 2014



Labor Day, a holiday recognized under all of our Agreements with IBEW, will be observed on Monday, September 1, 2014. Our Inside Wireman Agreement and the Sound and Communication Agreement specifically prohibit any work from being performed on Labor Day, except in the case of an emergency.

You should also be aware that Friday, August 29, 2014, is a "Carpenters Off-Day" which is considered a holiday for the Inside Agreement—with the exception of Project Agreement Jobs and the Industrial Maintenance Agreement. The Friday before Labor Day is also a permanent holiday under the Sound & Communication Agreement.

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

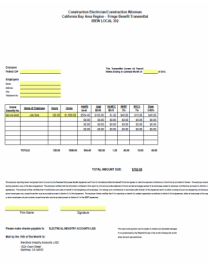
CALCTP-AT - August 15th

The Electrical Industry Trust will be sponsoring an additional Contractors Acceptance Testing class for those of you who were unable to attend the June 27th class. Remember that this class is required for your firm to qualify to self-certify the lighting portion of your jobs, with permits issued on and after July 1st of this year. To register for the program, which is free of charge to all signatory contractors, use the link below. If you have any questions about CALCTP, please contact the Chapter Office and we will attempt to get your questions answered.

[Sign Up Now!](#)

Access CW/CE Fringe Benefit Online

For those contractors that need to report fringe benefits under the CW/CE Memorandum of Understanding, you can access the transmittal form (in Excel format) for doing so on our website by going to <http://www.ccneca.org/Agreements.html>, where you will see the link enabling you to



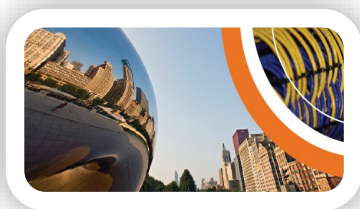
download and save the form to your computer. Please note that the report and check are due at the NECA office in Martinez by the 15th of the month after the hours worked. The health benefits under that MOU are under the NECA/IBEW (National) Family Medical Plan, which requires timely contributions for individuals to maintain their benefits. Contact the NECA office for any questions on contribution-related issues.

Succession Planning Seminar Dates

Those of you that attended the Chapter Meeting last week had the opportunity to hear Aaron Peabody and Don Ledoux from Summit Financial talk about succession planning and how and why it is so important to work far in advance to achieve the best after-tax outcome. Their presentation was meant to be a quick overview of the full 2-hour workshop they present with much more detail on exit and succession planning. If you would like to attend, the full workshop is being offered in Pleasanton on September 17th and September 23rd, and in Danville, on September 25th. For more details or to register, you may contact Nicole Capra at Summit Financial (925-866-7800) or via email (ncapra@summitadvisors.com).

Notice of Non-Responsibility

Joe Sweeney of Sweeney, Mason, Wilson, and Bosomworth recently did an excellent piece on the [Notice of Non-Responsibility](#). It is a good read for the contractors that do TI work, and conveys the types of circumstances that do not shield the owner of a property from your lien rights simply because they file the notice.



NECA 2014 Chicago

September 27-30, 2014

[Download or View the Brochure Here](#)

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[CALCTP-AT Registration Form](#)

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[CW/CE Fringe Benefit Transmittal Spreadsheet](#)

[Public Works Contractor Online Registration](#)

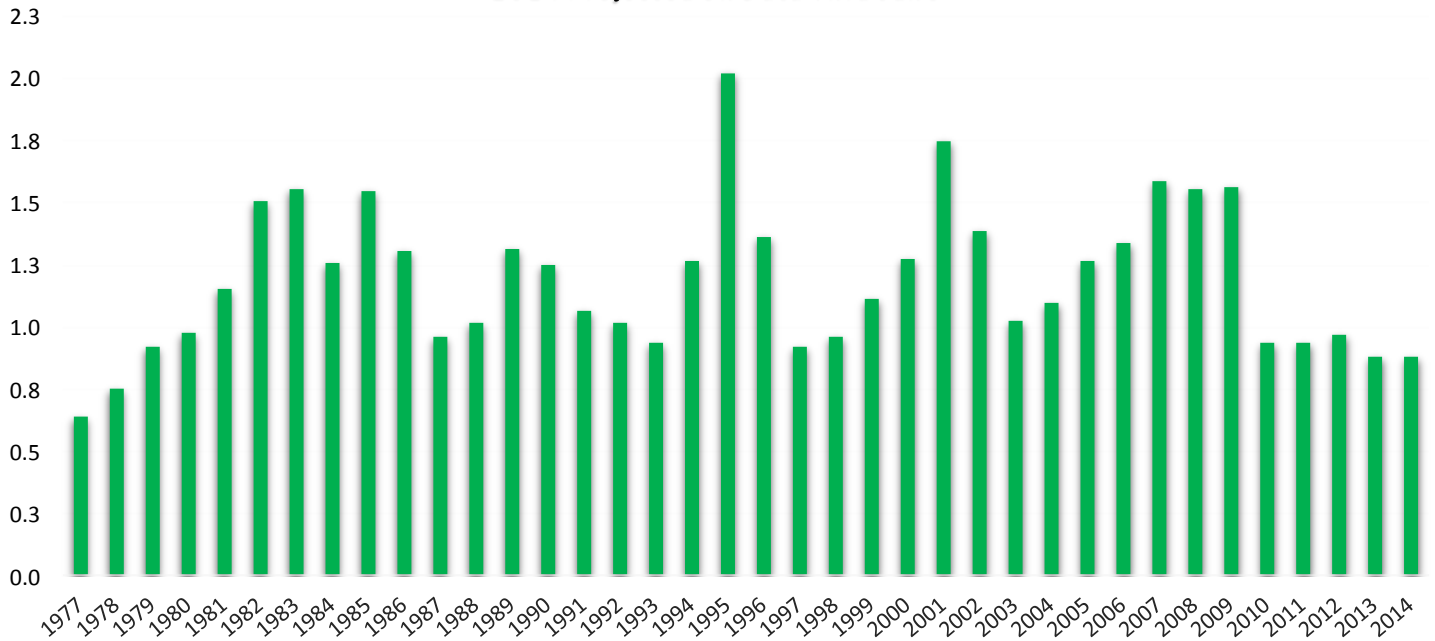
[NECA 2014 Convention Website](#)

[Wage Rates & Cost Per Hour Sheets](#)

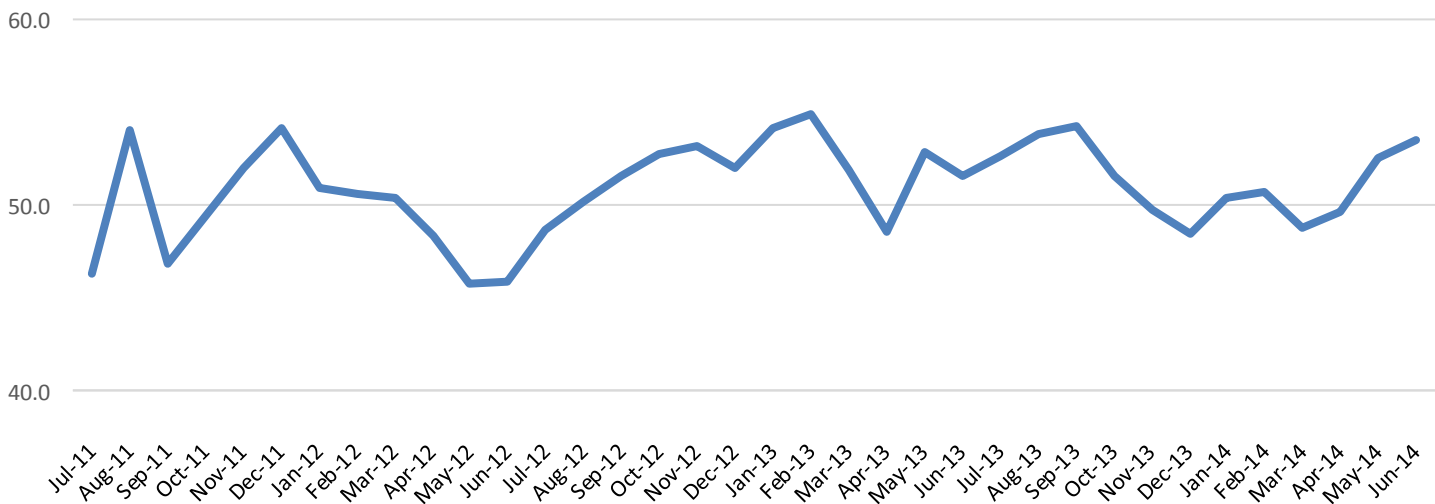
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Construction Manhours For IBEW Local 302 Electricians

2014 Projected on Data Thru June



Architecture Billings Index June 2014 - Index 53.5



Any score above 50 indicates an increase and score below 50 indicates a decline.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5 Health & Welfare 1:00 p.m. Training Center Martinez	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 JATT 3:00 p.m. Training Center Martinez	13	14	15 CALCTP-AT Class Training Center Martinez	16
17	18	19 Retirement 10:00 a.m. Training Center Martinez	20	21 LMCC 5:30 p.m. Training Center Martinez	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 INDUSTRY TRUST 11:45 a.m. Primas Walnut Creek	29 Carpenter Off-Day	30
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