

MIACCA April 2019 Newsletter

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- MIACCA Calendar of Events
- MIACCA Sponsors FSU students to ACCA Conference
- MPSC Collaborative Meeting
- MIACCA's RAP Program (update)
- ACCA Awards Highest Honors to MIACCA Members

Message from President Bill Krestakos

- Work-Force Development
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- Federated Insurance: Marijuana Webinar

Michigan Legislative & Regulatory Update



MPSC VAPS Collaborative Meeting Discusses Data Transfer

Last month MPSC held a collaborative meeting in Lansing to discuss the possibility of a website providing information as to how to retrieve information regarding the new Value Added Program (VAPS).

The website's goal is simply information. "If you are a utility and the law says you must provide information to all of your competitors, you may not know who they are; this website will be designed to level the playing field in making an informed request by providing all of the needed information," said Director Bill Stosik.

Why MPSC is envisioning each utility having a website of its own in which a user can make a request - basically a way to have easy access to all pertinent information - although no conclusion was made as to the implementation of the site and whether it should be hosted by each utility.

Other topics regarded the level of security needed and the timelines for such an implementation. Essentially, the issue will be how the



We have certainly been busy this year. MIACCA has been sure to attend everything from important meetings regarding legislation in our industry to wonderful trade show events and much more.

Remember that not only are we your voice in Michigan, but we are also a resource for your company to be able to earn certifications and complete training. Please feel free to contact us if there is something that your company needs that you don't see on our calendar of events or website.

We always look forward to hearing from you and as we are here to serve, we want to know what we can do for you, the valued MIACCA member.

I also wanted to take a moment to congratulate our members Phil Forner and John Sedine on being awarded two of very prestigious national awards by ACCA. You data is transferred from one entity to another entity and if the recipient has an acceptable level of Information Technology security in place to satisfy the security policy of the sender (utility).

The meeting adjourned stating that it will try to get a report within a couple of weeks though MPSC was not sure what will happen after the report is submitted or how long before a response will be made regarding the access to the VAPS information.

MIACCA on behalf of our members has submitted the following comments to the MPSC for their consideration: Click Here to read MIACCA's comments

MIACCA Report All Permits (update)

As many of you know, MIACCA has implemented a program to help promote proper licensing and consumer safety. We are now able to report that we have been 100% successful on our follow-ups with each submitted form which has led to an incident in which a proper permite was not pulled, was followed up on by MIACCA, and the proper permit has been pulled.

This is proof positive that the program works and we still need your help to continue to make it effective. Remember, this is anonymous and it is intended to ensure the safety of our public and our contractors.

So if you suspect that work is being done without the proper permit being pulled, please complete the following. (please fill out as much as possible to expedite processing) Here is a link to our RAP Program Reporting form: Click Here

ACCA Awards
Highest Honors to
MIACCA
Members

can read more about these awards by Clicking HERE.

As always stay safe and keep up the great work!

MIACCA
Sponsors FSU
students in
attending the
2019 ACCA
Annual
Conference

MIACCA is proud to announce that we were able to sponsor Ferris State University students in being able to attend the 2019 ACCA Annual Conference in San Antonio, TX.

Click Here to read the Ferris State thank you letter



ASSESSING THE STATE OF ENERGY STORAGE MARKET INTEGRATION IN MICHIGAN

Join industry experts and stakeholders for a one-day public collaborative that



ACCA has awarded MIACCA members Phil Forner of Allendale Heating Company and John Sedine of Engineered Heating & Cooling the prestigious The Spirit of

Independence Award and the Distinguished Service Award respectively.

According to ACCA "John Sedine has been a devoted leader in the industry and ACCA for more than 25 years. He served as Chairman of the ACCA Board of Directors in 2010, served on the Board of the Michigan contracting association, and has served on several state and national code councils. John has contributed to the success of ACCA's standards and codes programs by lending his expertise to the development of multiple ACCA initiatives, including the Quality Installation program, ACCA Manual LLH – Low Load Homes, and countless other efforts."

The Spirit of Independence Award, given to Forner, is ACCA's highest honor. "[It is] presented to an individual who makes significant and lasting contributions to the strength, success, and independence of HVACR contractors. The award recognizes one individual who goes above and beyond the call of duty, displaying creativity, ingenuity, and perseverance in their pursuit of a better industry.

As all of you, our members know, being a part of MIACCA is not only a locally recognized privilege showing professionalism and a commitment to the HVAC/R industry, but our members are such whom are recognized by even national standards.

MIACCA is proud to have these contractors as part of our brood and we look forward to seeing how our members continue to innovate and build in our industry.

Click HERE to read about the *Spirit of Independence* award and HERE to read the full *Distinguished* Service Award

will assess the promise and pitfalls of integrating energy storage capabilities into the power marketplace in Michigan. "Plugging into Storage" will offer a technology overview and highlight projects in Michigan. Panel discussions will address regulatory questions, barriers to energy storage, and what the future holds. The conference is from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. March 25 at the Michigan Agency for Energy offices in Lansing.

More Information



Marijuana in the Workplace FEPN

Employers are increasingly perplexed about how to avoid mistakes in confronting the use of marijuana by employees, on and off the clock. In this webinar, we will explain recent changes in state law, and we will suggest some effective guidelines for establishing workplace safety and productivity in this fastchanging environment. We will talk about medical marijuana, what steps employers can take today,



WFD HVACR Update

Submitted by Michael Cain:President Michigan Engineered Comfort Corporation (MECC) | Facility Engineers, Contractors & Consultants

Macomb CC:MIACCA's effort's with the organization, "Veteran's Returning Home", are making progress. \Box

- Does anyone need good help? Driver's, Installer's, PM Technician's and more???□
- Already, several contractors have stepped up and agreed to participate with a new apprenticeship program that is quickly becoming a reality in Macomb County.
- There is VA money & MI Works money, to help you provide jobs for our soldiers.
- Contact us to see how you can hire Patriots and put good men and women to work!

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MIACCA is seeking input from our members as to what you will be looking for in future employees.

Please help us by taking this poll and offering your input

Take Our Work Force Development Poll and what steps they should avoid, when confronted with a medical marijuana issue in the workplace.

This webinar will be rounded out with some concrete real-world examples and frequently occurring scenarios which any employer can learn from. Find out more and sign up for the webinar here.

Product Spotlight



Taco 006e3™ Provides
High-efficiency Hot
Water Recirculation

The unit features a whisper-quiet, permanent-magnet ECM motor designed to use minimal electricity

The infinitely variable, wet-rotor circulator is designed specifically to make installation and operation of domestic hot water recirculation systems easier and more efficient.

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