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Carl Cochenour, Commissioner
City of Toledo Department of Bldg. Inspections
One Government Center, Suite 1600
Toledo, OH 43604

Dear Carl,

This is a letter of recommendation for Mike Deaton with Laibe Electric Co. to serve on the City of Toledo Electrical Board of Controls. Mr. Deaton is the President of Laibe Electric that is a very well established company that has been performing electrical work in Toledo since its establishment in 1926. Mike Deaton is very industry minded and is an active member of our association currently serving as a trustee on the Toledo Electrical Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee as a management representative. He further serves on several other Chapter committees and has helped our local industry with his time and talent. I cannot think of a better applicant. Enclosed is a copy of his resume for your consideration.

Please do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Todd Michaelsen, Chapter Manager
Ohio/Michigan Chapter NECA

Wired for the Future



Michael Deaton

President

Responsibilities

- Oversee daily business operations and management of electrical and communication projects.

Qualifications

- 22 years of experience in the electrical and communications construction industry.

Education & Memberships

- Bowling Green State University—Construction Management Degree
- Toledo JATC Apprenticeship Program
- IBEW Local Union No 8
- Systimax ND3341 & SP3321
- YPO Member /Board Member

Licensing

- Contractors License in:
 - California
 - Kentucky
 - Michigan
 - North Carolina
 - Ohio
 - Oklahoma
 - South Carolina
 - Virginia
- Ohio Fire Alarm License
- Michigan Fire Alarm License
- BICSI- RCDD

Market Experience

- Bio-Refinery
- Commercial/Industrial
- Government
- Institutional/Educational
- Healthcare

Project Experience

Spartan Chemical:

- New 100,000 SQFT Hand Sanitizer Process Facility

University of Toledo—Hospital:

- Time & Material Contract Since 2011

Cleveland Cliffs— New HBI Facility:

- Estimated and project managed the low voltage and fire alarm installation.

IBC Projects:

- Souk Mediterranean Kitchen Bar / Sabria
- Burt's Theatre
- Barber Farris Produce Building
- IBC Properties

ProMedica- Generations of Care Project

- 695,000 SQFT Patient care tower
- Electrical & Technology Design Assist

ProMedica— New Hickman Hospital

- 200,000 SQFT Regional hospital
- Electrical & Technology Design Assist

ProMedica HQ— Design Assist

- 225,000 SQFT New Headquarters
- Electrical & Technology Design Assist