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## **IBEW Local 103 and NECA Boston form partnership with New England Patriots**

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Boston, MA Since its opening in 2002, union electricians and technicians from the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 103 and contractors of the Greater Boston Chapter, National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA Greater Boston Contractors) have helped light Gillette Stadium by providing comprehensive electrical services to the home of the six-time Super Bowl Champion New England Patriots. IBEW and NECA Greater Boston Contractors are also playing a key role in the construction of Gillette Stadium's \$225 million north end expansion project.

Now, IBEW Local 103 and the NECA Greater Boston Contractors have forged a broader strategic advertising relationship with the New England Patriots that will help power several key initiatives.

As part of the partnership, Gillette Stadium concourses and video boards will display the IBEW Local 103/NECA Greater Boston Contractors Powering Boston emblem.

IBEW Local 103 has the strength of 10,000 members in eastern Massachusetts, while the Greater Boston Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association is an employer association that includes nearly 100 electrical contracting companies that use IBEW Local 103 electricians, technicians and apprentices to deliver the highest level of productivity and professionalism.

"IBEW Local 103 is very excited about this new partnership," said Lou Antonellis, business manager of IBEW Local 103. "Our charitable efforts and work in the neighborhoods we serve align nicely with Kraft Sports + Entertainment and all of Patriots Nation."

"The Patriots' organization personifies the excellence and the commitment to skills, professionalism and dedication to the Electrical Industry every single day," said Kristen Gowin, NECA Greater Boston, executive manager. "We're looking forward to a strong and productive partnership."

"The entire Patriots' organization knows that we can count on our electrical and lighting infrastructure for every game, every concert and every stadium event without exception," Jason Stone, VP of site operations for Kraft Sports + Entertainment. "The professionalism of IBEW Local 103 & NECA Boston Contractors is unmatched in the industry, and we are proud to have them as part of our family."

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