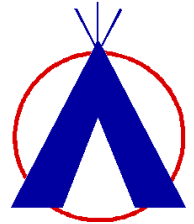


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TPE Industries Hiring Announcement

Electrical contracting industry veteran, **MARK J. RECTENWALD** has joined Pittsburgh-based TPE Industries to lead its commitment to the electrical utilities for new construction and service work activities in this area.

With 30 years of experience in heavy industry and an established reputation covering the full spectrum of power generation, transmission, and distribution work, Mark will be addressing the ever-growing opportunities in both traditional and newly-emerging industries.

Commenting on his new position, Rectenwald pointed out, "It is exciting to take this big step forward in my personal career with the confidence of knowing that I am joining a highly competent team of individuals in ten market areas who all enjoy the solid backing of one of the electrical construction industry's most well-respected privately-held corporations."

Having begun his career as an apprentice electrician and having steadily progressed through the ranks from electrical journeyman to field supervision to company management, Mark Rectenwald brings to this new role the kind of credentials for which there is no substitute. As has always been his reputation, he will offer TPE customers the benefit of confidently being able to entrust the electrical needs of their production facilities to the professional care and competence of the well-trained team under his leadership.

Founded in 1988 as TP Electric, Inc., TPE Industries has grown steadily each year because of working closely with their customers to solve problems and complete work on-time and under budget. The strength at TPE resides in a focused, market-specific approach, TPE brings the same values and hard work to the table every day. Our customers have learned to put their trust in us, regardless of the size of the job.

With three separate divisions focused on industry and application specific needs, TPE has brought industry leadership to their team in previous hires as well as new ones.

Proudly affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), TPE Industries continues to maintain long-standing customer relationships with some of the area's premier companies. In 2004, TP Electric became involved in the Natural Gas and Oil industry. Today TP electric, Inc. is the Gas and Oil Division, TP Electric & Power, LLC is the Industrial and Commercial Division and TP Automation is the process control and automation division of TPE Industries.