

# Articles of Incorporation

(Adopted October 1954)

(Incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia as recorded by the Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia on September 3, 1948; reincorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia as recorded by the Recorder of Deeds on November 3, 1954.)

**FIRST.** The name or title by which said corporation shall continue to be known is "NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED."

**SECOND.** The existence of this corporation shall be perpetual.

**THIRD.** The particular business and objects of this corporation shall be: To represent, promote and advance the interests of the electrical contracting industry as a whole, of all its branches and of the consuming public, including without limitation, the promotion and encouragement of more efficient, safer and more economical electrical installations and the more efficient and economic distribution of electrical supplies and equipment, the collection and dissemination of information and data of value to the industry, the encouragement of active competition and sound business practices, the discouragement of unfair trade practices and unfair and uneconomic labor practices, the promotion of cooperation and good will among the members of the electrical contracting industry and between them and the employees of the industry, the members of allied industries, governmental bodies and the public, and the fostering and conducting of educational courses and programs for the electrical contracting industry, its members, its employees and the public.

The corporation shall have all the powers that may be now or hereafter conferred on corporations formed under chapter 6 of Title 29 of the District of Columbia Code (1953 edition). In pursuance of and not in limitation of the general powers conferred by law and

the objects herein set forth, the corporation shall have the power to borrow money and to take, hold, receive and accept, purchase, sell, convey, lease, mortgage, pledge or encumber or otherwise acquire or dispose of real and personal property necessary for the purposes of the corporation, and other real and personal property the income from which shall be applied to the purposes of the corporation.

**FOURTH.** The number of the trustees, directors or managers of this corporation, for the first year after this reincorporation, shall be one hundred sixteen, and they shall be known as Governors and constitute the Board of Governors of National Electrical Contractors Association, Incorporated. There may be an Executive Committee of The Board of Governors.

**FIFTH.** This corporation is not organized for pecuniary benefit and shall be a membership corporation without stock or stockholders. It shall be a nonprofit, mutual improvement and educational corporation. No member shall ever derive any income or profits from its operation other than as compensation for services rendered to the corporation. It is intended that the corporation shall be operated so as to be entitled to receive any and all tax benefits or exemptions, Federal or State, which from time to time may be granted to educational and/or mutual service corporations, or to confer any such benefits or exemptions upon the persons, firms or corporations making contributions, gifts or bequests thereto.

**SIXTH.** This corporation may adopt a Constitution and Bylaws providing for the internal structure and management of the corporation not inconsistent herewith which may be amended as therein respectively provided.

**SEVENTH.** Neither the officers, governors or members of this corporation or their property shall be subject to or chargeable with the payment of corporate debts or obligations.