

MassEcon Developments

News for Members

July 2015

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MassEcon Annual Conference
Panelists Undersecretary Neal-Johnson, Secretary Pollack, Secretary Beaton and Secretary Ash with Moderator Geri Denterlein and MassEcon Executive Director Susan Houston



Lt. Governor Karyn Polito -
Featured Guest Speaker at
Summer Reception



Thank you to Nutter McClennen
& Fish LLP for hosting
the Summer Reception

MassEcon News

Highlights from MassEcon Annual Conference

Four economic development cabinet secretariats gathered at MassEcon's Annual Conference on June 19 to discuss issues facing the Commonwealth in the areas of transportation, energy, workforce development and housing. See [videos](#), [photos](#), and article from [The Boston Globe](#). Click [here](#) to read Denterlein's blog, highlighting the Conversation with the Cabinet and read the *Mass It's All Here* blog [here](#). Thank you to our sponsor [BSC Group](#).

New UMass President to Speak at Holiday Lunch

We're excited to announce that Marty Meehan, the new president of UMass, will be the featured speaker at MassEcon's Holiday Lunch on December 10 in Boston. Stay tuned for details.

MassEcon is Looking for Fall Interns

MassEcon is now accepting applications for its fall internship. If you know someone interested in marketing, economics, research, writing, or event planning, please encourage them to apply by submitting a cover letter and resume to [Annie](#).

Sponsor Economic Impact Awards

Get involved in supporting economic growth in Massachusetts by sponsoring the 2015 Economic Impact Awards. Thank you to **Transwestern | RBJ, WPI, Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP, Santander, and Fidelity** for stepping up early as sponsors. Add your company [here](#)!

MassEcon on the Road

New York City: Medical Design & Manufacturing East Tradeshow and Site Selection Reception

MassEcon's Doug Kehlhem attended the **MD&M East** medical device trade show in New York City with partners from MassDevelopment and MA Life Sciences Center. While in New York City, MassEcon hosted an evening reception at 230 Fifth for site selectors and corporate real estate executives. This was a productive way to engage with corporate decision-makers about the advantages of doing business in Massachusetts. Thank you to our sponsors, **Transwestern | RBJ, Marlborough EDC, Patriot Place, and Ozzy Properties.**

BIO International Convention

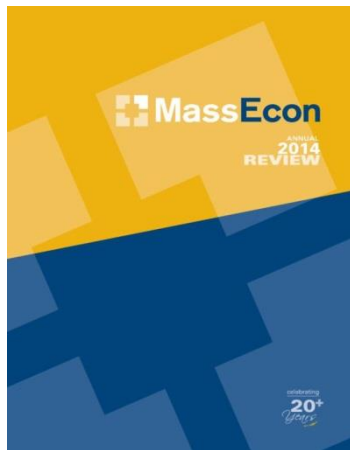
In mid-June, Doug attended the **BIO International Convention** in Philadelphia. **MassDevelopment, Newmark Grubb Knight Frank, Marlborough EDC, and the MetroWest Chamber of Commerce** joined MassEcon to staff a pod in the Massachusetts Pavilion.

Government Relations

Governor Baker's Administration recently held **regional roundtables** throughout the state to help shape the new administration's economic development agenda. Each new administration is required to submit a policy and strategic plan as



Doug Kehlhem with MassDevelopment's Kelly Aridson, Day Pitney's Bill Pezzoni, and Marlborough EDC's Tim Cummings at BIO International Convention in Philadelphia



2015 Calendar Highlights

Wednesday, July 15, 2015
Summer Reception at Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP

Wednesday, September 16, 2015
Team MA Economic Impact Awards
Finalists Reception at Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP (for sponsors only)

outlined in Section 6 of the 2010 economic development [legislation](#). The legislature **approved a budget of \$38.14 billion**, with \$33.5 million dedicated to workforce training. Read more [here](#).

Assistant Secretary Michael Kennealy was appointed Acting Director of the **MA Life Sciences Center**.

Upcoming Events

July Summer Reception

When: Wednesday, July 15

Speaker: Lt. Governor Karyn Polito

4 - 4:30 p.m.: Members Meeting

4:30 - 6:30 p.m.: Reception

Where: Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP - 155 Seaport Boulevard, Boston

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Click [here](#) for directions.

Register [here](#).

Committee Meetings

Government Relations Committee

August 7, November 6

TD Bank, 200 State Street, 10th Floor, Boston
8 - 9:30 a.m.

Program & Events Committee

September 9, October 21

Perkins + Will, 225 Franklin Street, Suite 1100, Boston
8:30 - 10 a.m.

Membership & Marketing Committee

October 7

MassEcon, 101 Walnut Street, Watertown
9 - 11 a.m.

Location Support Committee

September 10, December 3

Dacon Corporation, 16 Huron Drive, Natick
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Click [here](#) to learn more about the Committees

To Join a Committee, please email [Annie](#)

Member News

Congratulations to **Tranwestern | RBJ** for being named one of the Best Places to Work for the third time by the *Boston Business Journal*. Read more [here](#).

Bob Halpin was named 2015 Citizen of the Year by the Framingham Rotary Club after three years of working as **Framingham** Town Manager. Read more [here](#).

Please send Member News to [Annie](#).

Projects

#2703 Project Heron: MassEcon, MLSC, MOBD, and MassBio are working with a Boston-based global consulting, site selection and real estate firm representing a major life sciences company considering Greater Boston for a 300,000 SF office/R&D facility that will employ a few hundred people. MassEcon has provided research and information to the consultant in support of the project. At this point, four other out-of-state locations are being considered.

Friday, September 25, 2015
Members Meeting

Thursday, October 1, 2015
Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 15
Robotics Industry Roundtable at WPI

Tuesday, November 24, 2015
Team MA Economic Impact Awards Luncheon

Thursday, December 10, 2015
Annual Meeting & Holiday Lunch
Featured Speaker: Marty Meehan, UMass President

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#2708 Project Diamond: MassEcon, MLSC, MOBD and MassBio are assisting a Maryland-based cost consulting and project management advisory consulting firm. They have a key client in the biopharmaceutical industry and are looking to identify candidate locations for a 150,000 SF build-to-suit with 275-350 employees. MassEcon has provided research and information along with suitable land options in Greater Boston, Southeast Massachusetts, and Central Massachusetts.

Please contact [Doug](#) for more information.

Staff in Action

Susan Houston, along with trade association leaders, attended a briefing by the Olympics 2024 team convened by Jim Rooney, the new President of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce. Susan also participated in the Baker administration's economic development roundtable held in Quincy (along with Doug in Worcester and Annie in Lowell). Finally, the Massachusetts Marketing Partnership Board, of which Susan is a member, is gearing up in July for the first meeting under the new administration.

Doug Kehlhenn attended the MD&M East medical device trade show in NYC and hosted a networking reception with NYC-based site selectors. Doug also attended the BIO International Convention in Philadelphia. At the end of the month, Doug hosted a delegation of real estate and government officials from Singapore visiting Kendall Square as a center of excellence for the life sciences industry. Doug arranged meetings with Baxalta, Kendall Square Association, and a group luncheon.

Annie O'Connell participated in the discussion on talent retention and workforce development at the Economic Development Regional roundtable in Lowell. She is also working to prepare for the upcoming Summer Reception and Economic Impact Awards.



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