

# MassEcon Developments

## News for Members

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## MassEcon News

### The Wait is Over...Economic Impact Winners Announced!

After receiving nominations, conducting site visits, hearing the company "pitches" and deliberating over the finalists, winners for the 2015 Economic Impact Awards have been announced and will be presented at the November 24 Luncheon. Click [here](#) to learn more about this event, sponsorship, and watch the finalist company "pitches." Congratulations to the winners!

#### Gold Winners

- \* GE Healthcare(Central)
- \* TripAdvisor (Greater Boston)
- \* Aspen Technology(Northeast)
- \* Joseph Abboud Manufacturing (Southeast)
- \* Berkshire Sterile Manufacturing (West)

#### Silver Winners

- \* Great Wolf Lodge (Central)
- \* Baxalta (Greater Boston)
- \* Southwick (Northeast)
- \* LaFrance Hospitality Company (Southeast)
- \* Kennametal (West)

#### Bronze Winners

- \* SanDisk (Central)
- \* Carbonite (Greater Boston)
- \* Energi (Northeast)
- \* South Shore Millwork (Southeast)
- \* Mohawk Fine Papers (West)

#### Community Heroes

- \* Jack's Abby (Central)
- \* Microtek (Chicopee)

#### Global Leader

- \* Massport

Know anyone interested in volunteering at the Awards Luncheon? Email [Annie](#).

## ReadyMass 100 in the News

Site Selection magazine featured Menck Windows, the manufacturer that MassEcon and other state partners helped locate in Western MA. The story recognized MassEcon's ReadyMass 100 portfolio of "shovel ready" sites, whose Chicopee property became home to Menck. Read more [here](#).

## Upcoming Events

Meet & Greet with MOBD Regional Directors

When: Tuesday, November 10, 1 - 2 p.m.



### Thank you to Our Sponsors!



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# WPI

Thank you to WPI for hosting the Robotics Industry Roundtable





Join Nam Pham, Assistant Secretary of Business Development, and the MOBD Regional Directors at the MassEcon November 10 Meet & Greet in Boston.



Thank you to Commissioner of the Division of Capital Asset Management & Maintenance Carol Gladstone - Featured Guest Speaker at September Members Meeting



Holiday Lunch on December 10 at the UMass Club will feature UMass President Marty Meehan

**S A S A K I**

Thank you to Sasaki Associates for sponsoring the Holiday Lunch

Where: TBD, Boston  
RSVP to [Annie](#)

### Team Massachusetts Economic Impact Awards Luncheon

When: Tuesday, November 24, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Where: Renaissance Boston Waterfront Hotel - 606 Congress Street, Boston  
Register [here](#)

### Annual Meeting and Holiday Lunch

**When:** Thursday, December 10  
Members Meeting: 11:30 a.m. - Noon  
Holiday Lunch with Marty Meehan, UMass President: Noon - 1:30 p.m.  
**Where:** UMass Club - 1 Beacon Street, Boston  
RSVP to [Annie](#)

## Committee Meetings

### Government Relations Committee

November 6  
TD Bank, 200 State Street, 10th Floor, Boston  
8 - 9:30 a.m.

### Location Support Committee

December 8 (Note new date)  
Dacon, 16 Huron Drive, Natick  
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.  
*ReadyMass 100 Evaluation Meeting 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.*

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

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

## Member News

CEO of **MassDevelopment**, Marty Jones, was recognized as a 2015 Distinguished Leader by CREW and participated in the organization's Network Convention and Marketplace in Seattle, Washington.

Bob Brustlin of **VHB** will receive the "Visionary Leadership" award at the [Annual TECET Leadership Dinner in November](#), an event which recognizes prominent regional or national leaders who are dedicated to advancing the engineering and surveying professions and the public good.

Congratulations to design and construction management company, **Dacon Corporation**, which celebrated its 30th Anniversary in September. Read more [here](#).

The BBJ recognized [11 MassEcon member companies](#) for their generous charitable contributions of more than \$100,000 over this past year.

**Transwestern | RBJ** was named one of the "100 Best Workplaces for Women" by *Forbes Magazine*.

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

## Projects

#2725

**Project Wildfox:** MassEcon was contacted by an Indianapolis-based site location consultant representing a Rhode Island food and beverage company. The company is considering 50,000 - 100,000 SF buildings and 10-acre industrial parcels within a 45 mile radius of Woonsocket, Rhode Island. Connecticut and Rhode Island are also being



Doug Kehlhem presenting at MOBD Municipal Meetup in Malden

## 2015 Calendar Highlights

**Tuesday, November 10, 2015**  
**Meet & Greet with the Regional Directors of MOBD**

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

**Thursday, December 10, 2015**  
**Annual Meeting & Holiday Lunch at UMass Club at 1 Beacon Street in Boston**  
**Featured Speaker: Marty Meehan, UMass President**

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considered. **Update: The company has changed its real estate requirement and is now considering shovel ready land sites 5-7 acres, zoned for industrial/manufacturing use.**

### #2722

**Project Azalea:** MassEcon coordinated partners from MassBio, MLSC, and MOBD, who recently met with a Washington D.C. site location consultant representing a major biopharmaceutical company considering a 140,000 SF expansion in Massachusetts. This project represents a \$215 million investment and 320 new jobs. Major biotech hubs in the eastern U.S. are being considered. Thank you to MassEcon members Ernst & Young for assisting the team with a request for information, and Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP for hosting the meeting at its office in the Seaport District. **Update: The consulting team is changing project specifications to a larger expansion scenario. When completed, the new specifications will be shared with the Massachusetts team.**

### #2732

MassEcon provided market research and information to a Massachusetts-based real estate broker that is representing an out-of-state logistics company considering Boston, Cambridge, and Somerville for a back office operation. This project represents 100 new jobs.

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

## Staff in Action

In addition to meeting with members and planning for MassEcon's fall events, **Susan Houston** was (and will be) on the road this month, attending the first meeting the Governor's Economic Development Council, travelling to Springfield as part of the MA Marketing Partnership board, serving as a panelist at the *New England Real Journal's* summit on commercial real estate, and welcoming members to the Robotics Roundtable at WPI.

**Doug Kehlhem** recently presented at Municipal Meet-up in Malden, an information session for municipalities in the Northeast Region, hosted by MOBD. Doug has been on the road, meeting with economic development and real estate partners such as the Newton-Needham Chamber of Commerce, Marlborough EDC, SouthField in Weymouth, and the Quincy Shipyard. Doug also played in the Massachusetts Biomedical Initiatives with MassBio and CBRE.

**Annie O'Connell** organized the Robotics Industry Roundtable at WPI, ran in the VHB 5K race to support VHB Cares and attended the Northeastern University co-op fair with **Madison Dinndorf**.



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