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NCCCO Elects Directors, Officers for 2015

Fairfax, Virginia, March 11, 2015—The Board of Directors of the National Commission for Directors of the National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators (NCCCO) has announced the industry leaders who will serve NCCCO during 2015.

Re-elected to the office of **President** for a one-year term is *Thom Sickelsteel*, Sickelsteel Cranes, Mount Vernon, WA. Sickelsteel joined the Board in 2009 and has served as President since 2012.

Re-elected to a one-year term as **Vice President** is *Kerry Hulse*, Deep South Crane & Rigging, Houston, TX. Hulse previously served on the Board in his former capacity as Chairman of the Commission. Following his retirement from the Commission he was elected to the Board in 2012.

Re-elected to a one-year term as **Secretary/Treasurer** is *Peter Juhren*, Morrow Equipment Co., Salem, OR. Juhren has been a member of the Board since 2011.

Continuing in the position of **Immediate Past President** is *J. Chris Ryan*, Boh Bros. Construction, New Orleans, LA. Ryan, who has been a member of the Board since 2003, has previously served as President, Vice President, and as Secretary/Treasurer.

Ellis Vliet, Turner Industries Group, Baton Rouge, LA, continues to serve the Board in the capacity of **Chairman, Commissioners**.

Also continuing to serve on the Board are *Vinal George Bell*, Cianbro, Pittsfield, ME; *James T. Callahan*, International Union of Operating Engineers, Washington, DC; *Lyle P. Nichols*, Kiewit Companies, Englewood, CO; and *Tim Watters*, Hoffman Equipment, Piscataway, NJ.

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The [National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators \(NCCCO\)](#), currently celebrating its 20th anniversary since it was established by industry in 1995, is an independent, non-profit organization dedicated to the development and implementation of a nationwide program for the certification of crane operators and related personnel. Since then, NCCCO has certified more than 110,000 individuals through over 875,000 nationally accredited written and practical examinations, and issued more than 280,000 certifications, representing over 20 certification designations, in all 50 states. For the latest NCCCO news, follow [@NCCCOorg](#) on Twitter.