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***THE SUBCONTRACTORS TRADE ASSOCIATION WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS***

***Over 350 Members Strong, the STA Leads as New York's Premier Multi-Specialty Subcontractors Association***

**NEW YORK— August 26, 2008— The Subcontractors Trade Association (STA)** is pleased to announce that the association has recruited over 50 new members in the past year. Now, with over 350 members, the STA has continued to experience significant growth in the New York market and enjoy recognition as a leading advocate for union subcontractors in the city's multifaceted construction industry.

Some of the association's newest members include Christine Knoblock of Christine Painting, Inc., Donald Betterbed of Twin County Sheet Metal, Inc., and Peter Viceconte, P.E. of RMSK Contracting Corp., among others. "Joining The STA has been a positive experience thus far. It serves as a critical resource for members to obtain insight and support for issues faced within the industry," commented Christine Knoblock.

Along with its newest members, the association also welcomes its newly elected officers and board, stewarded by Robert Samela of A.C. Associates as President. This new leadership team is working hard to accomplish several goals for the association's members, such as making "prompt pay" a standard so that subcontractors are compensated appropriately. "We are a very effective organization. We work to make positive changes that help us all as an industry," stated Robert Samela, as he summarizes the STA's efforts.

This growing organization is comprised of talented management professionals, who are continually encouraged to take advantage of the STA's services. With a history of support and a promising future, the association is committed to representing its members in dealing with public agencies, authorities, and private developers, and ultimately to finding methods for improving and enhancing economic standing in today's market. Members are also provided with best practices, some of which include tips on tapping into the power of the construction industry, creating legislative change, obtaining positive cash flow, and building the *right* relationships. Together the tools and resources that the STA offers its members, allow for personal and professional advancement.

For more information on how to become a member of the STA, visit [www.stanyc.com](http://www.stanyc.com). All union subcontractors are encouraged to join the association and take advantage of its many solutions.

**ABOUT SUBCONTRACTORS TRADE ASSOCIATION, INC.**

*The Subcontractors Trade Association (STA) is New York's leading association of union subcontractors. Established in 1966, it is now comprised of 350 members representing every field within the construction industry. The STA focuses its activities on problems affecting subcontractors in public and private construction, including progress payments, bid-shopping, improper back charges, legislation, prevailing wage enforcement, lien laws, insurance and bonding, among other issues. With the goal of increasing market share for its member subcontractors, the STA provides members with the information, representation and support they require for success. More information can be found at [www.stanyc.com](http://www.stanyc.com).*

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