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David Howell Elected NUCA Chairman of the Board

Midwest Mole Executive Takes Top Job at Utility Construction Association

(Fairfax, Va.) – The National Utility Contractors Association’s (NUCA) Board of Directors formally inducted David Howell as their new Chairman on February 13 at their Annual Meeting held in Tucson, Arizona.

In his acceptance speech, Chairman Howell discussed the year ahead for the association and gave the meeting’s audience a look at his forthcoming work for the benefit of our member’s companies and the nation’s utility construction industry.

"This coming year we will continue the efforts that the last few Chairmen have been leading and that is the advancement and modernization of our organization," said Howell in his acceptance speech. "The one thing we cannot do is to ever rest on our laurels. NUCA is the only trade group out there that represents the contractors and the American utility industry. We will continue to work together on funding, regulation, damage prevention, safety, and workforce development. My goal is that as part of our efforts we also work to find ways to provide for the future generations with the same opportunities I was able to take advantage of that NUCA has offered."

Howell currently serves as NUCA’s Vice-Chairman and has served over the last few years as both Treasurer and Secretary. He has also represented multiple NUCA Chapters on the association’s executive committee, including the chapters in Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Virginia.

Howell is the Vice President of Business Development for Midwest Mole. He has been with the Midwest Mole family of companies for over 20 years, beginning his career working on trenchless tech projects across the country. During his time with the company, he has also held a variety of roles, including Field Engineer, Project Manager, Safety Director, and Railroad Division Manager. Howell holds a degree in civil engineering technology from Purdue University.

Also elected to the leadership team at the February 13 NUCA Annual Meeting was Jason Clark as Vice-Chair, Kirk Blomgren as Treasurer, and Victor Serrambana as Secretary. Kevin Cripps, the former chairman, now becomes Immediate Past Chairman.

The association also elected several new vice-chairs to its top leadership team. Tony Raposo (NorthEast Region Vice-Chair), Mike McShane (MidWest Region Vice-Chair), Luke Lopez (West Region Vice-Chair), Shawn Martin (Central Region Vice-Chair), and Jason Holden (At-Large) were also elected to the NUCA Executive Committee.

Howell concluded in his Thursday speech to our members, “There is nothing more noble for our industry than for us to come together and work for the betterment of our industry.”

Howell’s term as Chairman of the Board will end one year from now at the next NUCA Annual Meeting, scheduled for March 2025 in Tampa, Florida. After his term is completed, Howell will then become the association’s Immediate Past Chairman and continue to serve on the Board of Directors.

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