



## NETA's PowerTest 2018 Electrical Power Systems Conference Sparks Innovation, Achievement Among Industry and Thought Leaders

Five days of high-powered education, training, and networking drew more than 500 industry professionals from around the nation

PORTAGE, Mich., April 04, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- The best and brightest in electrical testing and maintenance lit up PowerTest 2018, the premier electrical power systems event. The annual five-day conference hosted 513 attendees from February 26 - March 2, 2018, at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center in Washington, D.C.

"It is the highlight of our year to host the gathering of so many of the industry's leading electrical power system professionals," says NETA Executive Director Missy Richard. "Part of what makes PowerTest the industry's top event is the sharing of ideas, collaboration, and networking among leaders and experts in the field. We are so pleased to see the conference continue its upward growth trend over the last couple of years, which allows us to offer even more opportunities to promote technical excellence, world-class programs, and consensus standards."

The PowerTest technical agenda offered five days of educational and interactive sessions that facilitated the exchange of ideas, helping to shape the future of the electrical power systems industry by involving electrical testing technicians, engineers, and managers from a cross-section of all industries reliant upon large power generation and distribution facilities.

Highlights of the conference included:

- | 27 detailed 45-minute technical presentations by industry leaders
- | 12 in-depth 4-hour seminars covering current topics and industry issues
- | 30 power systems leaders presenting the latest products and services at the New Product Forum
- | 10 Spotlight Stage presentations detailing trends, industry insights, and most sought after products and services
- | All-day seminars such as Megger Best Practices and Doble Laboratory
- | Keynote speaker Robert McCall, author of "Zero Accidents and Injuries: Are You Willing to Pay the Price?"
- | Opportunities to earn CEUs and receive exam preparation

In addition, attendees and local electrical power systems professionals took advantage of the PowerTest Trade Show on Tuesday afternoon, featuring 82 top-tier vendors whose mission include providing PowerTest attendees with real-world solutions to their everyday challenges.

Founded in 1972 by nine electrical testing companies, NETA was created to establish standards for electrical testing of electrical power equipment and systems. Today, NETA is the only accrediting body of electrical testing organizations, providing assurances that NETA Accredited Companies specific requirements necessary to perform electrical testing to the industry's highest standards.

### **SAVE THE DATE: PowerTest 2019 Heads to Texas**

Join NETA and leading electrical power systems professionals at the next premier industry conference March 11–15, 2019, at the Gaylord Texan Resort and Convention Center in Grapevine, Texas. Sponsorship and exhibitor opportunities are available for companies seeking leadership visibility at the event. NETA's industry partners are encouraged to reserve exhibit space and confirm sponsorships as soon as possible. Inquiries should be directed to Laura McDonald at 269-488-6382 or [lmcdonald@netaworld.org](mailto:lmcdonald@netaworld.org).

### **ABOUT NETA**

[NETA](#) is an ANSI Accredited Standards Developing Organization that creates and maintains standards for electrical maintenance and acceptance testing for electrical power equipment and systems, as well as a standard that addresses the certification of electrical testing technicians. NETA is an association of leading electrical testing companies comprised of visionaries committed to advancing the industry standards for power system installation and maintenance to ensure the highest level of reliability and safety.

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**PowerTest 2018**



More than 500 of the best and brightest in electrical testing and maintenance gather at PowerTest 2018 from February 26 - March 2, 2018, at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center in Washington, D.C. One of the highlights of the five-day, high-powered conference was keynote speaker Robert McCall, author of "Zero Accidents and Injuries: Are You Willing to Pay the Price?"

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