NATIONAL ELEVATOR INDUSTRY, INC.
ANNOUNCES NEW 2010 BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND TRUST COMMITTEE

Highlights

- New board to further mission of association; promotion of safety in building transportation for new and existing technologies a chief objective.
- Trust Committee will continue to administer the rights and obligations of organization with regard to building transportation industry benefit plan trusts.

SALEM, N.Y. (April 28, 2010) - The National Elevator Industry, Inc. (NEII) announced today the election of its new Board of Directors, including officers and Trust Committee members. These elections became effective April 27, 2010, and were made in conjunction with NEII’s annual meeting held in Rosemont, Illinois. The newly elected Board of Directors and officers include:

- **Randy Wilcox, President** – Wilcox currently holds the position of president, North and South America Area (NSAA) for Otis Elevator Company, where he is responsible for all business operations in these regions. He has more than 25 years of industry experience and is entering his third term as the NEII President.

- **Vance Tang, Vice President** – Tang is the North American Area director for KONE Corporation and president and chief executive officer for KONE Inc. He is responsible for the elevator and escalator business as well as the door service business being developed in the United States, Canada and Mexico.

- **Stephen D. Patton, Treasurer** – Patton is the assistant controller, North and South America for Otis Elevator Company. He has more than 23 years of industry experience and is entering his third term as the NEII Treasurer.

- **Edward A. Donoghue, Secretary** – Donoghue is the spokesperson and managing director for NEII. He has served NEII for over 34 years, acted as chair of numerous industry organizations and is one of the foremost authorities on elevator codes and safety, formerly serving as NEII’s Codes and Safety Consultant.

- **Michael Corbo, Mitsubishi Elevator** – Corbo is general manager/senior vice president of Mitsubishi Electric & Electronics, USA’s elevator and escalator division. Corbo has more than 20 years of industry experience and has been involved with NEII for seven years; including serving as NEII’s board president from 2005 to 2007.

- **Barry Pletch, ThyssenKrupp Elevator Company** – Pletch serves as chief executive officer of ThyssenKrupp Elevator’s Americas Business Unit, where he is responsible for all business operations in North and South America.

- **Kenny Yamashiro, Fujitec America, Inc.** – Yamashiro is chief operating officer for all Fujitec America operations. He has 24 years of experience and has served with the company in Japan, Asia and Europe.

- **John Kenner, Schindler Elevator Corporation** – Kenner serves as president, North America, responsible for the company’s business in the U.S. and provides operational support for the Canadian business.

The NEII Board of Directors is responsible for managing and directing the affairs of the association as it pertains to its mission statement, which includes driving the formation of codes and standards, providing and supporting educational activities and acting as a conduit for communicating industry information.

**Trust Committee**

The Trust Committee is solely responsible for administering the rights and obligations of NEII with regards to the NEII Benefits and Educational Trusts. The newly-elected Trust Committee includes:
• **Gregory Garger, Chairman**, Otis Elevator Company – Garger is vice president of human resources, North and South America Area (NSAA), Otis Elevator Company.

• **Bruce Brenizer, Vice Chairman**, Mitsubishi Elevator – Brenizer serves as senior vice president of human resources, Mitsubishi Electric & Electronics U.S.A., Inc.

• **Timothy Grace**, Schindler Elevator Corporation – Grace is a member of the Schindler Management Committee and is responsible for human resources initiatives across North and South America, the United States and Canada.

• **J. Patrick Heaney**, ThyssenKrupp Elevator Company – Heaney serves as vice president of labor relations for the U.S. field operations of ThyssenKrupp Elevator Corporation.

• **Charles Moore**, KONE, Inc. – Moore holds the position of senior vice president of human resources, for the North American operations.

“NEII’s ongoing success can be attributed to the collective experience of its board members and Trust Committee,” says Randy Wilcox, president, NEII Board of Directors. “I’m looking forward to another successful year working with the talented individuals in our industry to advance NEII’s objectives in the areas of codes and safety.”

**About NEII**

NEII, the national trade association of the building transportation industry, was established to promote safe building transportation for new and existing products and technologies, the adoption of current codes by local government agencies, and to encourage responsible legislation and regulatory measures at all levels of government. Regular membership is available to those corporations, firms or companies that, as part of their normal business operations, provide or perform any of the following: manufacturing (including parts or components used by others in the manufacture, repair or maintenance), installation, or the repair and maintenance of elevators, escalators, moving walks and related equipment. Trust membership is available to those corporations, firms, or companies that, as part of their regular business, employ members of the International Union of Elevator Constructors (IUEC) and contribute to the benefit trusts (Trusts) established by agreements between the IUEC and NEII. Individual memberships are available to persons who are not employees of NEII member companies or organizations. NEII promotes safe building transportation and works with various organizations on the formation, adoption and enforcement of the latest building transportation codes and standards. For more information about NEII, [neii.org](http://neii.org).

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