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The Marine Trades Association of New Jersey Elects its 2009-2010 Officers & Directors and Presents Sponsor of The Year Awards

Manasquan, NJ: On April 23rd, 2009, the Marine Trades Association of New Jersey (MTA/NJ) held its Annual Dinner & Elections and elected its 2009-2010 Officers & Directors. The MTA/NJ Sponsor of the Year Awards were also presented during the event.

Rick Traber of Pier 47 Marina in Wildwood will serve as President of the Association. Kersten Roehsler of Viking Terminal Marina in Sayreville will serve as First Vice President and Fred Brueggemann of Key Harbor Marina & Yacht Sales in Waretown will serve as Second Vice President. John Curtis of The Ship Chandlers in Point Pleasant remains the Treasurer and Raymond Bogan of Sinn, Fitzsimmons, Cantoli, Bogan & West in Point Pleasant Beach continues as Secretary.

The Directors that were elected and serving staggering terms are Brian Fischer of MESCO in Thorofare and Dave DiPaolo of Shore Point Marina & Yacht Sales in Bayville. The following directors were reelected or are continuing their terms: Scottie Franklin of Main One

Marina in Avon-by-the-Sea, Walter Johnson, III of Johnson & Towers, Inc. in Mt. Laurel, Tom Mackie of South Harbor Marine in Waretown and Chris Ohrenich of John B. Wright Insurance in Cape May.

The following directors were newly appointed by the President to serve a one year term: Dave Giombetti of Silver Cloud Harbor Marina in Forked River and Pat Salinas of Morgan Marina in Parlin. The following directors were reappointed: Michele Blivin of B & E Marine in Wildwood; Channing Irwin of Irwin Marine in Red Bank, Michael Sinnema of Birdsall Services Group in Lakewood and Greg Wright of John B. Wright Insurance in Manasquan.

The MTA/NJ once again held its Sponsor of the Year Awards at the Annual Dinner. The MTA/NJ established this award to show its appreciation and to recognize the leading sponsors of Association events. This year, the MTA/NJ was pleased to be able to award three very deserving companies sponsorship recognition. The first award, for the third runner up, went to Boat Safe Insurance Agency located in Brick. The second award went to Point Bay Fuel located in Toms River. The highly coveted Top Sponsor of the Year award, for the fourth year in a row, went to John B Wright Insurance with offices in Manasquan, Waretown and Cape May. John B. Wright has been an outstanding supporter of the Association not only through sponsorships but through assistance at events and establishing beneficial programs for the members. For more information, contact Melissa Danko, MTA/NJ Executive Director, phone: (732) 292-1051, email:

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About the MTA/NJ

The Marine Trades Association of New Jersey (MTA/NJ), established in 1972 and comprised of over 300 marine related businesses, is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting and protecting the recreational marine industry and waterways in the State of New Jersey. The MTA/NJ is dedicated to the interests of the industry as a whole for the benefit of its individual members and the consumers whom they serve.