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Telecom Union Leader Re-elected

(Downers Grove, IL) – The leader of the State’s largest union of telecommunication workers was sworn into office this week after being re-elected to a third term.

Ronald E. Kastner was elected by the 11,200 member International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local Union 21 to serve as President-Business Manager and Financial Secretary.

Kastner, a life long resident of Chicago’s suburbs and member of the IBEW for over 35 years, advocates for extensive preparation before employer negotiations and strongly encourages a high level of active, membership involvement in political and legislative activities in the State of Illinois. “As next years re-write of the Illinois Telecommunications Act unfolds, AT&T, Comcast, and our state’s political leaders will see an unprecedented involvement of our union in the shaping of new legislation. We will need every member involved to impress Illinois legislators with how serious we are about job security and taking care of our customers. I’m pleased the members have again expressed their confidence in our team’s experience.”

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Background

Local Union 21 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW – an affiliate of the AFL-CIO) is made up of 11,200 members working mostly in Illinois and NW Indiana. Working under dozens of contracts, Local Union 21 members largely work in skilled jobs in the telecommunications industry. IBEW Local Union 21, headquartered in Downers Grove, IL, is the largest IBEW communications union in the United States and Canada and the fourth largest local union in the IBEW.

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