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Susan Houston Executive Director



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#### Dear Friends:

It is our pleasure to report to you on the efforts and accomplishments of MassEcon for 2014.

With the economy having exhibited unequivocal growth, MassEcon continued to invest in initiatives that are essential for the long term. Celebrating the achievements of businesses that invest in Massachusetts; welcoming start-ups and companies new to Massachusetts; and promoting the assets of all regions of the state are foundational elements of MassEcon's work.

During 2014, 60 companies planning for future growth relied on MassEcon's services to evaluate the Commonwealth as a location for expansion and relocation. Our progress over the year reflects the efforts of a team that includes public officials; industry and trade associations; the business community; state, regional, and local economic development professionals; and our dedicated corps of members. We are fortunate to work with so many capable parties in promoting the assets of Massachusetts.

Looking ahead, with projections of continued economic expansion, it is essential that the entire Commonwealth be poised to capture its fair share of growth. Retaining and attracting business requires an organized effort of an informed and creative economic development team. Having worked in partnership with five gubernatorial administrations, MassEcon brings a consistent, non-partisan voice to the enterprise, and we are proud to be a player on the team.

We thank our members, staff, and partners for making our work possible.

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**MASSECON** is a non-profit, non-partisan entity that serves as the state's private sector partner in promoting Massachusetts as the premier choice for business growth. Deploying on-the-ground services since its founding in 1993, MassEcon works to ensure that business stays, grows, and thrives in the Commonwealth.

### Site Location

MassEcon's statewide Site Finder Service is an economic development resource for companies seeking to expand or locate within Massachusetts. MassEcon staff work cooperatively with real estate brokers, site location consultants, and state, regional, and local economic development officials to enable companies to access property information that supports their real estate and location needs.

### Research & Information

MassEcon provides expanding and relocating companies with information about demographics, workforce, education, infrastructure, industry sectors, and other matters relevant to the location decision. In comparing Massachusetts to other states, MassEcon ensures that the full value proposition for a Massachusetts location is evident. Providing more than data, this service links companies with people and resources on the state, regional, and local levels.

# Marketing

Under the banner of *Massachusetts, It's All Here*, MassEcon celebrates the achievements of Massachusetts companies from all regions of the state through its annual Economic Impact Awards; takes the Massachusetts story on the road through selected trade show and business development missions; and serves on the board of the Massachusetts Marketing Partnership.

### Massachusetts Ambassadors

MassEcon oversees the Massachusetts
Ambassadors program, a network of senior executives throughout the Commonwealth who serve as peer contacts for companies evaluating the state as an expansion location. Ambassadors can volunteer their time by hosting visiting executives, providing media testimonials on Massachusetts as a place to live and work, sponsoring welcome receptions for companies new to Massachusetts, and other activities.

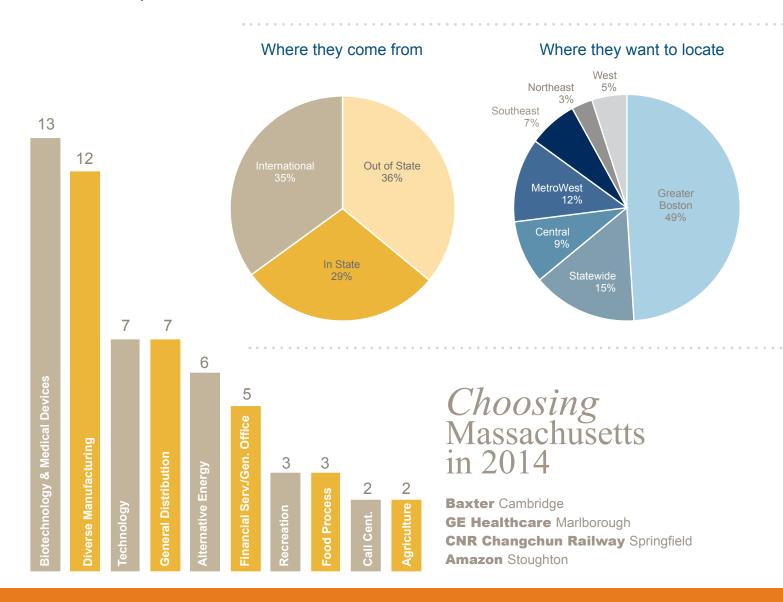
GUBERNATORIAL ADMINISTRATIONS IS A TESTAMENT TO THE ENDURING NATURE OF THE ORGANIZATION'S WORK.



# **Results:** by the numbers

**IN CONJUNCTION** with the Massachusetts Office of Business Development and other state, regional, local, and industry partners, MassEcon is proud to have provided services this year to 60 companies considering Massachusetts as an expansion location; these companies represented a total of 5,500 jobs and came from in state, out of state, and abroad.

### Meet the companies



6 MASSECON IS AN OUTSTANDING RESOURCE FOR OUR CLIENTS.
THEY UNDERSTAND THE KEY BUSINESS FACTORS THAT DRIVE THE
LOCATION DECISION AND SERVE AS A CRITICAL LINK BETWEEN THE
PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS.

# **Choosing:** Massachusetts



Baxter's new home: 650 East Kendall Street in Cambridge. Photo: Courtesy of BioMed Realty.

### Spotlight: Baxter

In 2014, Baxter announced its intention to locate its Global Biologics Innovation and R&D Center in Cambridge. Baxter's search for a location, which began in October 2013 and culminated in a lease signing in September 2014, exemplifies MassEcon's services at work. A trusted source of intelligence for site selection advisors, MassEcon was

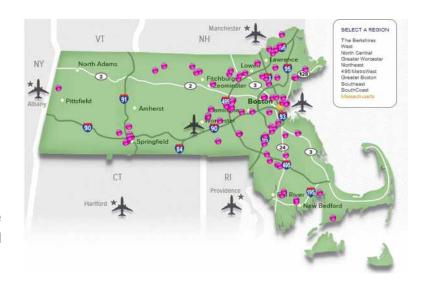
asked by Baxter's consultant, Deloitte Consulting Chicago, to provide guidance in searching for a Massachusetts location. MassEcon tapped the trade association, MassBio, for industry expertise, and together the MassEcon-MassBio team coordinated a year-long effort that included real estate tours; meetings with industry executives; overview of schools, neighborhoods, and amenities; introductions to state and local officials; and more. Many parties contributed to the effort including the Massachusetts Life Sciences Center, the Executive Office of Housing & Economic Development, the Massachusetts Office of Business Development, and MassEcon members. The result is a win for the Commonwealth: 400 new jobs will be brought to the state.



# The ReadyMass 100, an online resource,

showcases a continually refreshed portfolio of up to 100 market ready properties that

provide location options for expanding and relocating companies. These properties are zoned, permitted, infrastructure served, and in Class A condition. Representing diverse property types, and selected by a committee of real estate experts twice yearly, they send a concrete message to the marketplace that Massachusetts can meet the real estate needs of growing companies in all parts of



the state. MassEcon markets these properties through massecon.com, earned media, and through a series of receptions with national site selection advisors.



# Partners: building connections



# Private Sector Engagement

A UNIQUE element of MassEcon's services is the ability to rally its private sector membership to support business recruitment and retention. Under the Team Massachusetts umbrella, MassEcon members volunteer to provide real estate market overviews, site tours, cost estimates, community information, sector knowledge, and more — all on behalf of growing jobs in Massachusetts.

# Regional & Local Partnerships

MASSECON'S corporate members from the regional and local economic development community immeasurably add to the ability to promote the assets of all regions of the state. Working together with MassEcon, these organizations are instrumental in educating decision-makers about the benefits of growing businesses in their areas. MassEcon staff, in turn, provides resources to its local and regional partners. In 2014, MassEcon staff presented expertise at theTown of Westborough Economic Development Committee, MassInc Forum for Gateway Cities, and MassDevelopment Academy in Milford. MassEcon also served on the New England Economic Partnership board and the EDC of Western Massachusetts Corporate Attraction Committee.

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495/MetroWest Partnership

City of Boston/BRA

**Brockton 21st Century** 

Marlborough EDC

Merrimack Valley EDC

MetroWest Chamber of Commerce

North Shore Alliance for Economic Development

Pittsfield Economic Development Authority Quincy Chamber of Commerce

SouthCoast Development Partnership

Taunton Development Corporation

Town of Framingham

Westborough EDC

Western Massachusetts EDC

Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce

MASSECON IS AN INVALUABLE PARTNER IN ENSURING THAT NEW BEDFORD HAS ACCESS TO KEY OPPORTUNITIES TO BRING INVESTMENT AND JOBS TO OUR CITY AND REGION. ITS NATIONAL MARKETING EFFORTS PROVIDE US WITH AN EXCELLENT PLATFORM TO SHOWCASE OUR ASSETS.

# **Expertise:** engaging industries



#### **Conference Panelests**

#### **Moderator**

**Greg Bialecki**Secretary of Housing & Economic Development

#### **Panelists**

**Tim Healy**Chief Executive Officer,
Chairman & Co-Founder
EnerNOC

#### **Anita Worden**

Co-Founder & Chairwoman Solectria Renewables

Joseph Zink
President & CEO
Atlantic Management

#### **MASSECON'S Annual Conference** —

Prime Properties, Prime Communities: Choosing Locations for Growth-Oriented Companies was held for over 115 attendees on June 20 at the Newton Marriott Hotel. Massachusetts Secretary of Housing & Economic Development, Greg Bialecki, moderated the event, and the panelists provided insights on location and its impact on companies' competitiveness. Recruitment of talent, amenities, commuting patterns, and occupancy costs all featured in the wide-ranging discussion with perspectives from Boston's Innovation District, City of Lawrence, and MetroWest









(top right and bottom left) Anita Worden of Solectria Renewables and Joseph Zink of Atlantic Management responding to questions from audience.







#### **CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS**

Workshops were introduced at this year's Annual Conference to enable conference attendees to interact in small group settings with experts in place marketing, site selection, and incentives.

#### **TOPICS**

- Marketing Matters: Positioning Your Location for Competitive Advantage
- Behind the Scenes of Corporate Site Location
- Win-Win: Creating an Incentive Package that Both Your Community and Company Will Love
- ReadyMass 100: Getting Your Property on the Short List of Top MA Locations



# Marketing: celebrating Massachusetts





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Deval L. Patrick

Accepts Statewid Champion Award **EACH YEAR, MASSECON HONORS** growing businesses from each of the Commonwealth's five regions that make outstanding contributions to the Massachusetts economy. This event, which is the only celebration of its kind in Massachusetts, has recognized dozens of companies from throughout the state that have been leaders in job growth, financial investment, and community involvement. The process is launched with a Finalists Reception in September, when all finalists have an opportunity to tell their story before their peers, and it culminates with an awards luncheon on the Tuesday before Thanksgiving. On November 25 before 400 guests, MassEcon presented the **Eleventh Annual Team Massachusetts Economic Impact Awards** to 18 outstanding companies and to Governor Deval L. Patrick who displayed exemplary leadership in economic development throughout his eight years in office. This year also recognized three companies as Community Heroes.

ECONOMIC IMPACT AWARD WINNERS

2014

#### **CENTRAL**

Gold AIS, Inc.
Silver Quest Diagnostics
Bronze Pall Life Sciences

### GREATER BOSTON

Gold EF Education First Silver Biogen Idec Bronze Pfizer

#### **NORTHEAST**

Gold Keurig Green Mountain Silver Asahi/America Bronze Entegris

#### **SOUTHEAST**

Gold Hydroid Silver Matouk Bronze Crown Uniform & Linen Service

#### WEST

Gold Sinicon Plastics Silver Nuclea Biotechnologies Bronze Menck Windows

#### **COMMUNITY HEROES**

Accurounds Avon
PlumChoice Lowell
uniQure Lexington

### Corporate Welcome Reception

**EACH YEAR, MASSECON WELCOMES** companies new to Massachusetts at its Corporate Welcome Reception held at Genzyme's beautiful headquarters in Cambridge. The event brings together over 100 private sector leaders and senior state officials to welcome companies that have recently opened offices in the state and to introduce them to the rich Massachusetts network.

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### Thank you to host Genzyme and sponsor WinterWyman









#### **MassEcon on the Road**

**Helping the Commonwealth** grow its rich economic base, MassEcon each year hosts out of state events that introduce the assets of Massachusetts to corporate site selectors, those professionals on the front lines representing companies considering expanding or relocating. Our goal is to ensure that Massachusetts is on the short list as companies consider their expansion: as a result of relationships developed at these events, MassEcon is called upon as a credible resource for information about the Commonwealth.

Over the course of 2014. MassEcon hosted Massachusetts hospitality receptions in New York City in conjunction with the Medical Device & Manufacturing Show; in **Chicago** at the United Center; and in Washington **D.C**, in conjunction with the CoreNet Global Summit. MassEcon also participated in the Massachusetts Pavilion at the BIO Summit in San Diego. Helping tell the Massachusetts story were MassEcon members from MassDevelopment, Hinckley Allen, Marlborough Economic Development Corporation, VHB, Patriot Place, Sasaki Associates, and Investment Consulting Associates.





# Highlights: 2014

#### January 24

Members Meeting Dr. Alan Clayton-Matthews Professor, Northeastern University

#### March 21

Members Meeting Lisa Strout Director, Massachusetts Film Office

#### March 31

Hospitality Reception for Site Selectors at United Center Chicago

#### April 16

Corporate Welcome Reception Genzyme

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Members Meeting Dr. Patricia Flynn Trustee Professor of Economics & Management, Bentley University

#### June 10-13

MassEcon at Medical Design & Manufacturing East Conference New York

#### June 23-27

MassEcon at BIO Summit San Diego

#### June 20

Annual Conference Prime Properties, Prime Communities Newton Marriott Hotel

#### July 16

Summer Reception John Barros Chief of Economic Development, City of Boston

#### September 17

Economic Impact Award Finalists Reception

#### September 24

Members Meeting Liz Levison Human Resources Business Partner, Quest Diagnostics

#### October 25-29

Business Attraction Mission Washington, D.C.

#### November 25

Economic Impact Awards Luncheon Boston Renaissance Waterfront Hotel

#### **December 11**

Annual Holiday Lunch Laurie Leshin President, WPI UMass Club





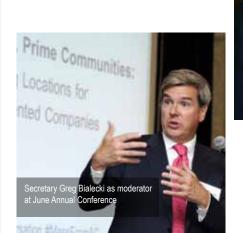


Governor Deval L. Patrick and MassDevelopment's Marty Jones at Economic Impact Awards Luncheon





Executive Director Susan Houston thanking Chairman Fred Mulligan of Cutler Associates for his three years of service





(from left) Community Hero winner Mike Tamasi of Accurounds with Citizens Bank representatives Rick Musiol and Greg Buscone









John Barros delivering remarks at Summer Reception held at Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP





Mark DiNapoli of Suffolk Construction introducing WPI President Laurie Leshin at Annual Holiday Lunch



Mayor of Lawrence, Dan Rivera (third from left), with Economic Impact Award winners from Asahi/America



Mike Scott, of Nutter, McClennen & Fish LLP, welcoming guests to the Finalists Reception

LEADERS OF EVERY INDUSTRY SHOULD BE INVOLVED WITH MASSECON. MASSECON IS UNIQUELY POSITIONED—
BECAUSE OF ITS STATEWIDE REACH AND COLLABORATIVE ETHIC— TO MAKE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STATE'S BUSINESS CLIMATE.

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**Bowditch & Dewey** 

**Brockton 21st Century** 

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