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## REUSABLE "BOLT TEMPLATE" SETTING NEW STANDARD FOR CAST-IN-PLACE POLE BASES

Sacramento, CA (January 20, 2014) – Construction Innovations LLC announced today that its BOLT STAR® anchoring system for pole bases is experiencing rapid adoption by contractors all across the nation.

In just eight months since shipments began, BOLT STAR is now being used by contractors in 42 states and is drawing attention from potential foreign distributors. The innovative tool is engineered to hold four anchor bolts and electrical conduits securely in place while supporting the rebar cage during the pour of a round concrete pole base. The structural bases are commonly specified for parking lot and outdoor area lighting, street lighting, security camera poles, street signs and flag poles. BOLT STAR eliminates the time consuming and error prone task of having to fabricate a "bolt template" out of wood for every pole base. The tool delivers a 57% more efficient construction process that saves labor.

Contractors using BOLT STAR report labor savings of 50% or more compared to the conventional process. "Bolt Star was easy to set up and even the inspector liked it. We used to waste a lot of time building wood templates and supports, and simply throw them away at the end of the job. Bolt Star cuts the set up time in half, and we have a tool that can be used again on the next project." says Todd May, Director of Field Operations for Elite Power. May adds, "BOLT STAR's wide arm openings are perfect for pouring from a concrete chute. You can get to work with a trowel right after the pour and smooth the entire top of the base. Remove Bolt Star after the concrete sets up, wash it down and you're done."

Reusability is another important advantage of BOLT STAR. "We reused the Bolt Star tool at least six times and it's still going strong. It is an extremely durable product," reports Steven Newell, foreman with Elecnor Belco Electric Inc.

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"Our goal was to develop a more sustainable solution that eliminated the custom fabrication of bolt templates for pole bases – the drilling of holes in plywood and cutting of 2x4 wood supports only to discard these forms after the pour. It's a wasteful and inefficient construction process.

BOLT STAR saves labor and delivers an extremely short payback period," says Ken Gregory, President of Construction Innovations. "When you consider saving 20-30 minutes on each pole base, plus lowering the risk of bolts shifting out of alignment, it's no wonder that BOLT STAR is fast becoming the new industry standard for cast-in-place pole bases."

Construction Innovations has moved quickly to establish a national distribution network of over 400 locations. "We are delighted with the strong, positive response to BOLT STAR from both key national distributors and contractors all over the country," Gregory added. BOLT STAR is made in the USA and is available in 18-inch and 24-inch sizes, which addresses about 90% of the parking lot and area lighting pole bases being built today.

## **About Construction Innovations**

Construction Innovations LLC is dedicated to improving the construction industry through the creation of innovative products, tools, methods and services. Through its manufacturing division, Pole Position Tools, the company designs and manufactures tools for the construction of poles and pole bases. These tools are then distributed to contractors through a nationwide dealer network. The company also provides a complete line of specialized services to construction companies focused on increasing efficiency, including manufacturing and kitting services for electrical and low voltage systems, BIM coordination and construction layout services, and Lean manufacturing consulting services.

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