

Association Supports North American Transformer Companies Through Networking, Education, And Technical Advancement

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The electrical and electronic transformer manufacturing base in North America has been in constant flux for the past two decades. Dramatic economic, technological and social revolutions have driven much of this change. As we become more connected, mobile, and sustainable as a culture, our power electronics technology must keep pace through improvements in efficiency, size and cost. Vehicle electronics, wireless charging, wind and solar energy conversion and the smart grid are all placing new demands on inductive devices. The off shoring of much of the electronics value chain, and the consolidation of the on-shore manufacturing base has reshaped the face of transformer manufacturing in the U.S.

In response to these challenges, The Transformer Association has grown and evolved over the past 15 years, more than doubling its membership.

The Transformer Association (TTA) is a manufacturing trade association whose members include inductive device manufacturers and key suppliers. Its focus is to strengthen the transformer industry in North America through networking, education, and technical advancement. The association's programs are designed to provide information about management, compliance and technical trends relevant to the industry.

The TTA holds two regular meetings each year. The spring meeting focuses on technical and safety agency issues while also providing a forum for industry business leaders to interact. The annual meeting, in early December, investigates industry and economic trends and challenges in an interactive forum.

This year, the TTA is supporting the CWIEME Expo in Chicago, October 8-10. CWIEME is an international trade show, aimed at the electromagnetic, insulation materials, coil, electric motor and transformer manufacturing industries.

For more information on The Transformer Association, please visit us at <http://www.transformer-assn.org/>

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