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**KEENEY JOINS LABOR-MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE
LEADERSHIP COUNCIL SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS**

EDWARDSVILLE, ILL., JULY 19, 2004... The Labor Management Committee of the Leadership Council Southwestern Illinois today announced Kenneth Keeney as its newest member.

Keeney is the owner and CEO of Pyramid Electrical Contractors, Inc. He has worked for the company since 1981 where he began as a project superintendent until 1983, when he took over ownership and became vice president. He became CEO of the company in 1994. Previously, Keeney has worked for Lowry Electric as a journeyman electrician, and also at Sachs Electric where he was worked on large industrial projects.

Keeney is chairman of numerous organizations and committees such as the Fairview Heights Electrical Commission, the Southwestern Illinois Division of NECA, NECA Labor Management Committee, NECA Negotiating Committee, IBEW Local 309 Health & Welfare Fund, and IBEW 309 Vacation Fund. He is president of Midwest Regional Peer Group of Electrical Contractors, and was a delegate for the White House Conference on Small Business in 1995. He is Also the Illinois advisory director for UMB Bank. Keeney is also a delegate for the NECA Telecommunications Committee, NECA Strategic Planning Committee, and a member of Belleville Building Zone of appeals. He is Secretary of the IBEW Local 309 Income Security Fund, and a trustee of the IBEW Local 309 401k Retirement Fund and a Volunteer for the Gateway Regional Medical Center Hospice.

The Labor-Management Committee was formed in 1983 by the Leadership Council Southwestern Illinois and exists to serve employers and unions in Madison and St. Clair Counties in Illinois. For more information about the Labor-Management Committee of the Leadership Council Southwestern Illinois, please call (618)650-2681 or visit the Labor-Management Committee web site at www.ezl.com/lmc.

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