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New England Institute of Technology Partners with ABBRA to Host Cutting-Edge Marine Training Classes

East Greenwich – March 26, 2025 – In a groundbreaking collaboration aimed at enhancing the skills of marine industry professionals, New England Institute of Technology (NEIT) partnered with the American Boat Builders and Repairers Association (ABBRA) to host a comprehensive two--day training program. This dynamic event took place on March 18th and 19th at NEIT's state-of-the-art Marine Technology campus in Warwick, Rhode Island, led by NEIT's Marine Technology instructor Ted Chamberlin who has extensive experience in the marine industry. Attendees benefited not only from his expertise, but also from the opportunity to network with peers in the field.

The training program featured two specialized one-day classes designed to equip participants with critical knowledge and practical skills:

Day 1: Marine Electrical Principles

This course is tailored for marine professionals looking to deepen their understanding of electrical principles and apply them effectively in real-world scenarios. Participants covered fundamentals of marine electrical systems and explored essential topics such as:

- electrical safety
- circuit design
- wiring techniques
- and, troubleshooting.

Day 2: Marine Diesel Principles

From basic engine theory to advanced diagnostics, this course covered a comprehensive overview of diesel technology. Technicians focused on the principles of marine diesel engines and gained insights into:

- engine components
- maintenance practices
- and performance optimization.

The class was designed to empower marine professionals with the skills needed to maintain and repair diesel engines efficiently, contributing to safer and more reliable marine operations.

"We are thrilled to collaborate with ABBRA to offer these critical training sessions," said Amy Grzybowski, Vice President of Workforce Development at NEIT. "By providing hands-on learning experiences and access to cutting-edge facilities, we aim to support the professional growth of marine technicians and contribute to the industry's overall excellence. We look forward to conducting more training sessions and provide a resource for the members of ABBRA to help improve their technicians on the latest marine technologies."

About New England Institute of Technology

The New England Institute of Technology, based in East Greenwich, Rhode Island, is a leader in providing hands-on, career-oriented education. With a focus on innovation and excellence, NEIT offers a wide range of programs designed to prepare students for success in today's competitive job market.

About ABBRA

The American Boat Builders and Repairers Association (ABBRA), based in Warren, Rhode Island, is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing the boatbuilding and repair industry. Through education, advocacy, and professional development, ABBRA supports the growth and success of its members and the broader marine community.

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