



Central Construction forms rope access services division

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New York, NY Central Construction has formed Central Access, a new division providing rope access services for buildings of all sizes and complexities. The group is headed by T.J. Lueddeke, a Society of Professional Rope Access Technicians (SPRAT) certified professional with more than a decade of experience.

“Central Access is adding yet another level to our full-service profile,” said Michael DiFonzo, president, Central Construction. “With this division, we are extending our one-stop-shop approach to the benefit of current and future clients who already appreciate our reputation for delivering the highest standards of work in the industry.”

Central Access will primarily use its own Petzl-manufactured equipment to ensure façade safety, aesthetics, and performance. The rope access division’s projects will be primarily focused on FISP (Façade Inspection Safety Program) inspections, permits and CD5 filings (completed in-house), and real-time identification of required maintenance and emergency repairs.

Lueddeke, president, Central Access said, “As a division of one of the city’s best regarded construction firms, we are able to work together to complete projects quickly and economically. The fact that Central Construction holds Special Riggers licenses makes it an excellent pairing with our rope access services. In the event issues are discovered during an inspection, they now may be resolved with minimal downtime using specifications from a building’s engineer or architect, and a

Central Construction crew to the make the requisite repairs.”

With a team of SPRAT certified professionals who prioritize safety and precision, Central Access utilizes experience, skill, and the latest technologies to examine hard-to-reach areas with minimal disruption to building occupants and the surrounding environment. The group’s extensive background in rope access enables them to provide expert inspections of facades and parapets ranging from historic landmarks to modern office towers.

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