



**PROJECT NEWS**

# Aldon Electric Completes Revitalization of Northeastern University's William E. Carter Playground

**NECA contractor teams with Architect: Stantec, Boston, MA;  
GC: Bond Brothers, Medford, MA; EE: RDK, Andover, MA**



BOSTON, MA – Aldon Electric, Inc., headquartered in Weymouth, MA, has completed electrical construction of Northeastern University's renovated, state-of-the-art William E. Carter Playground, a public-private partnership project located on Columbus Avenue in Boston.

The Carter Playground redevelopment, a collaboration between Northeastern and the City of Boston, is comprised of the modernization of two football/soccer/baseball/lacrosse fields, five tennis courts, and recreational equipment for Northeastern students and the city's youth. Northeastern has

committed \$26 million to the construction of the park and \$86 million dollars to its maintenance over the next 30 years.

Aldon Electric provided complete power and lighting installations for the project's redevelopment, teaming with general contractor Bond Brothers. The extensive lighting scope consisted of installing Musco sports pole lights, City of Boston street lighting, and lighting control systems. Street lights can be controlled both from City of Boston and NEU/Carter Park lighting control cabinets.

The first phase of the project – the renovated tennis courts

and athletic fields – opened last September when Northeastern hosted a ribbon-cutting with Mayor Martin J. Walsh to officially celebrate the Park's reopening. Phase two, which included construction of the dome with its interior sports field, was completed in January.

In the second phase, the NECA Boston contractor provided power and fire alarm system installations for the facility's air structure, as well as the dome's lighting, and tel/data conduit infrastructure. A 150kW standby generator was installed to ensure the air structure and its equipment maintain power during a power outage. The



dome covers one of the sports field during the winter and opened in late January to both city residents and Northeastern students. The dome is primarily being used by Northeastern



students who participate in club and intramural sports.

Among the project's unique and demanding requirements, the Aldon Electric project team, headed by Project Manager John Michael and Foreman Mike Fernandes, closely coordinated with MBTA personnel in the installation of the Musco Pole bases and lights, which are within the MBTA's right of way. The sports lights were hoisted by crane and work was performed without disruption to the MBTA's public transportation and to the public.

Aldon Electric managed a field crew of six IBEW Local 103 electricians in the multi-phase 18-month project.

