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MECA Hires VP of Operations

Omaha, NE – The Metropolitan Entertainment & Convention Authority is pleased to welcome Scott Kavanaugh as its Vice President of Operations. Scott joins the MECA team with 21 years of experience in hotel, stadium, arena and convention center management.

Most recently, Kavanaugh served as the Director of Operations for the Utah Valley Convention Center in Provo. He was charged with opening the new facility, hiring staff and developing operating procedures at the 83,000 square foot building. Kavanaugh also served as General Manager of the Sioux Falls Convention Center and gained a reputation for developing strong relationships with shareholders, clients and city officials.

“It is exciting to join such a dynamic company. I look forward to working with the staff who takes pride in making CenturyLink Center Omaha, TD Ameritrade Park Omaha and the Omaha Civic Auditorium such great venues for the city,” said Kavanaugh.

Kavanaugh began his new position with MECA at the end of August.

About MECA

The Metropolitan Entertainment & Convention Authority (MECA) is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that builds and manages public venues in Omaha, Nebraska. After a vote of approval from the citizens of Douglas County in May 2000, MECA was formed to construct and operate Qwest Center Omaha. Formal operations commenced on August 25, 2000 with the signing of a 99-year Lease and Development Agreement with the City of Omaha. Qwest Center Omaha opened in September 2003 and its name was changed to CenturyLink Center Omaha in 2011. At the City’s request, MECA assumed operations of the Omaha Civic Auditorium in July of 2004. In January 2009 MECA broke ground for TD Ameritrade Park Omaha, opening the stadium in April 2011. MECA also manages the Red Sky Music Festival, held each July outdoors in the stadium and on the festival grounds. For more information about MECA, visit www.omahameca.com.

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