

MASSACHUSETTS CONVENTION CENTER AUTHORITY

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Statement from Massachusetts Convention Center Authority (MCCA) Executive Director David Gibbons

Diversified Communications' decision to not go forward with the Seafood Expo (March 15-17, 2020) creates a significant financial loss for the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority ("MCCA"), our vendors and contractors, hotel and restaurant partners, and thousands of tradeshow and hospitality workers who participate in putting on a show of this magnitude. The MCCA will work with the City of Boston, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and our other industry partners to minimize the impact as much as possible, just as other large venues around the world have had to do recently.

The MCCA has, and will continue, to take all available measures to ensure the health and safety of our guests, employees, vendors and contractors, and the events they work and attend at our venues, including daily communications with public health authorities and close monitoring of the situation as it changes. The MCCA continues to observe and implement the recommendations set forth in the U.S. EPA's Emerging Pathogen Policy regarding cleaning disinfectants effective against the Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) and Boston continues to be considered at low risk.

About the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority (MCCA)

The Massachusetts Convention Center Authority owns and oversees the operations of the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center, the John B. Hynes Veterans Memorial Convention Center, the MassMutual Center in Springfield, MA, the Boston Common Parking Garage, The Lawn On D Powered by Citizens Bank, and The Lot On D. The MCCA's mission is to generate significant regional economic activity by attracting conventions, tradeshows, and other events to its world-class facilities while maximizing the investment return for the residents and businesses in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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