



Press Release:

Global KES partners with the Cordish Companies' ECI to develop the KCPL District Restaurants

Date: 4/29/08

In the spring of 2007, the Cordish Company, one of the leading real estate development and most successful entertainment operating businesses in the world, through their restaurant and club division, ECI (Entertainment Concepts Investors, Inc.), approached Global Kitchen Equipment Supplies (Global KES) with an incredible opportunity and a unique challenge. The goal was to specify the equipment and supplies, provide consultation, consolidate numerous products from a variety of manufacturers, and perform complete installation services for a total of 16 full service casual and fine dining restaurants and commissary kitchens within critical deadlines for each released job, most of which were 3 to 4 weeks, in the heart of downtown Kansas City, Missouri.

This opportunity was part of the Kansas City Power & Light District, a dynamic nine-city-block-area of retail, entertainment, office and residential spaces centrally located in historic downtown Kansas City. Global KES accepted the challenge and began to work with ECI's seasoned team of developers to plan and organize the execution of the project which was to occur simultaneously with the renovation, restoration, and construction of the spaces that would become the fine restaurant establishments that make up the KCPL District restaurant segment. Global KES completed the project within the confines of the timeline, scope, and budget of the project and to the satisfaction of the Cordish Company and ECI.

Key to the success of this endeavor was the veteran staff of Global KES who executed under the tightest of time constraints as well as the unique challenges posed by delivering to a very active construction zone through the busy streets of downtown Kansas City. The project was completed in late spring, 2008, and the KCPL District is now a vibrant center piece of the downtown area nightlife.