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Thai Electrical & Mechanical Contractors Association (TEMCA) as the professional organization has officially opened the Centre for Competency Assessment according to Section 26/4 (2) authorized by Department of Labor Skill Development since the 18th November 2015. This is the first private sector center of Thailand located at the 7th floor of LPN Building, Nang Lynchee Road. The missions of the center are to evaluate and issue the licenses to building electricians. According to the Skill Development Promotion (No.2) Act 2557 and the government gazette on the 27th of December 2015, from the 26th of October 2016, the building electricians will need professional licenses to perform their duties. To obtain the licenses, the building electricians will have to undergo the assessments in 3 criterions including knowledge and skills passing national labor skills standards, work experience determined from work history and specific features and working attitude. This effort will efficiently develop and elevate labor skill standard of electrical practitioner in Thailand.

To realize the importance of the elevation of labor skill standard, TEMCA has sent representatives to work with the Department of Labor Skill Development over a decade as well as founded the authorized 8 labor skill standard testing centers where provide testing and issuing the certifications to the building electricians. All the certified electricians are encouraged to apply for the professional licenses at the Centre for Competency Assessment according to Section 26/4 (2).

On this happy note, I would like to thank Green World Publication Co., Ltd. and Marshall Cavendish Business Information for publishing the Thailand Builder's Directory. For years, this directory has proven to be both the valuable information resource, and useful tool for TEMCA members.

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