

# CASE STUDY

**MKT Restaurant**  
Montreal, Quebec, Canada



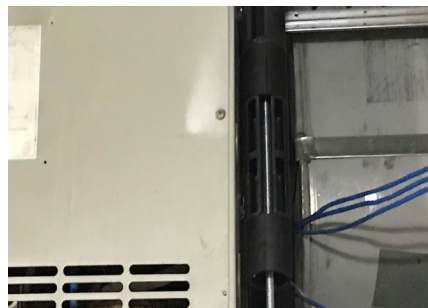
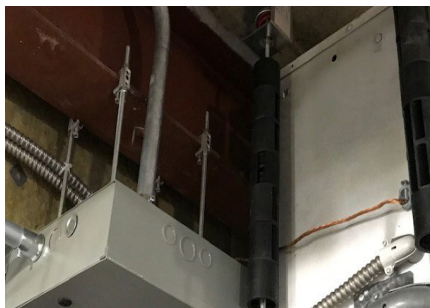
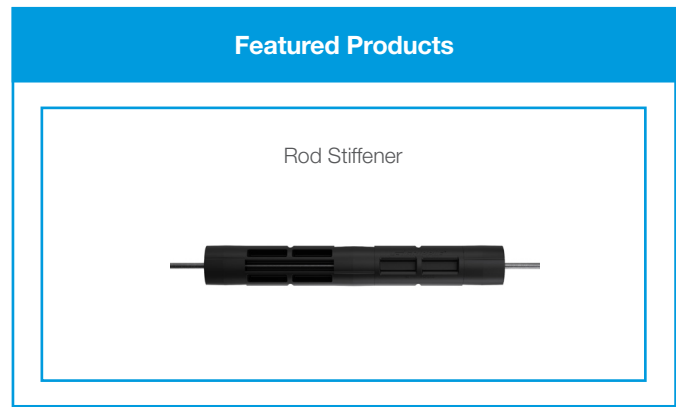
TIME SAVINGS  
**5.5 HOURS**

LABOR SAVINGS  
**\$330**

TOTAL SAVINGS  
**\$357**

On a renovation project at the city's MKT restaurant, Gripple's [Rod Stiffener](#) was used for the bracing of air conditioning units. The easy-to-install nature of the product meant the project's tight deadline could be met by the Contractor.

Project Summary	
<b>Building type</b>	Commercial
<b>Main Contractor</b>	AVICOR
<b>MEP Contractor</b>	Simpkin Electricque
<b>Building structure</b>	Concrete
<b>Services</b>	HVAC



“We were working to a tight deadline for this project, and the Gripple solution allowed us to deliver the job **on time.**”

- Martin Moreau, Foreman, Simpkin Electricque -

## COST SAVING SUMMARY

	Gripple solution	Traditional method
Overview	<b>Rod Stiffener for 3/8" rod</b>	Unistrut and stiffeners
Material cost	<b>\$50</b>	\$77
Installation time	<b>30 mins</b>	6 hours
Labour rate (per hour)	<b>\$60</b>	\$60
Total labour cost	<b>\$30</b>	\$360
Total cost	<b>\$80</b>	\$437

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### PROJECT DETAILS

The MKT restaurant is located in downtown Montreal and offers Italian food in a modern environment. During a renovation project at the restaurant, a solution was needed for the bracing of air conditioning units. There was a very tight deadline on the project to ensure that the restaurant could be reopened as planned.

The GripplE Rod Stiffener offers an innovative alternative to stiffening threaded rod without using struts, pipes or clamps. It was chosen for this project due to its quick speed of installation as its 'click and connect' mechanism makes installation simple without the need for tools.

The Contractor on the project found that the Rod Stiffener was easy to stock and handle on site as there are fewer components compared to traditional methods.

The installers found it 'dummy proof' and were able to install it easily, especially as no measuring or cutting is required. The 'out of the box' solution removes the need to cut steel strut/pipe to length with a saw on site. This made it easy for the Contractor to manage the job site and to deliver the project on-time and with reduced labor.

The Rod Stiffener has a versatile design, with the addition of a 'crush tooth' which allows the stiffener to be installed on 3/8" and 1/2" threaded rod.

