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Dear City of Ottawa Electrical License Holders:

With the new year of 2020 fast approaching, the National Electrical Code (NFPA-70) is introducing their newest code updates. Traditionally, the City of Ottawa had adopted the newest version of the electrical code with each upgrade in the code cycle. If the City adopts the latest version of the National Electrical Code, I will let you know.

As we all know, the NEC has a minimum standard in place to safeguard persons and property. The Electrical Commission feels that with most communities in Illinois ceasing their electrical license programs, the City of Ottawa wants to maintain the excellent standards they have established. The City has a great program in place with over 500 licensed electricians for 2019. Although many municipalities require a licensed electrician, few offer a testing process to acquire a license.

In addition to the latest release of the NEC, the City is considering implementing a Continuing Education Program that will require all our Electrical License holders to complete a code update course. If the City does implement a Continuing Education Program, appropriate course work will have to be completed within 12 months from adoption by the City Council. The Electrical Commission is working on the future requirements. If approval for this program is granted, you will be notified.

Finally, Ottawa's annual license fee has remained the same for over 13 years yet our cost of maintaining this licensing program has increased each year. As a result, the City will be changing its' annual Electrical License fee to \$150.00 for 2020 licenses.

As always, thank you for your continued cooperation with the Electrical Commission of the City of Ottawa.

Sincerely,

Timothy F. Aussem
Electrical Inspector

CITY OF OTTAWA
301 West Madison Street
Ottawa, Illinois 61350



When submitting your fee, current General Liability insurance and picture required to maintain your City of Ottawa Electrical License for 2020, please provide the following information for our files.

Thank you.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

YOUR NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

BUSINESS/COMPANY NAME: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

CITY OF OTTAWA LICENSE NUMBER: _____