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### Notice of Proposed Changes to Regulations for Electrical Administrators

#### Proposed Regulations - FAQ

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#### 1. What are the regulations being proposed? Why are the regulations being amended?

See each section and changes below.

#### 12 AAC 32.015(a)(6)- Application for licensure by examination.

This section is being amended by changing the name and contact information for the electrical administrator examination testing provider. The company that administers the exam was changed many years ago, this is to make the regulations align with the current examination testing provider.

Other changes include:

- Removing the requirements to submit the certificates of support directly from three people completing the form. This means that the certificates of support may be submitted to the department through the applicant.
- Allowing for more qualified individuals to complete the certificates of support for an applicant for an electrical administrator license. The change will mean that a person with at least journeyman level experience may complete the forms, including an electrical inspector or electrical engineer. Due to several states not licensing electricians or electrical administrators, the change will allow a person in a state that does not license individuals to complete the certificates in support if they can document the required employment status.

#### 12 AAC 32.025(a)(8)- Application for licensure by credentials.

Changes to this section include:

- Removing the requirements to submit the certificates of support directly from three people completing the form. This means that the certificates of support may be submitted to the department through the applicant.
- Allowing for more qualified individuals to complete the certificates of support for an applicant for an electrical administrator license. The change will mean that a person with at

least journeyman level experience may complete the forms, including an electrical inspector or electrical engineer. Due to several states not licensing electricians or electrical administrators, the change will allow a person in a state that does not license individuals to complete the certificates in support if they can document the required employment status.

#### **12 AAC 32.035(3)- License renewal.**

This section is for the license renewal requirements. It is proposed to be amended to require certification instead of providing evidence on the renewal form, showing the licensee has complied with the continuing education (CE) requirements. The purpose of this change is to allow the licensee to certify they have completed the CE without having to list each of the courses on the form. Since ten percent of licensees are randomly selected for audit for CE compliance, there is no need to list the CE courses on the form.

#### **12 AAC 32.055. Qualifications for an electrical administrator license in the unlimited linework category.**

This section is being amended by adding an additional way to obtain qualifying experience for the unlimited linework category. The new language will allow for a combination of practical experience as a journeyman lineman and experience in management as a field superintendent in outside linework. Current requirements allow for either four years of experience in the last six years before the date of application as a journeyman in outside linework, or four years of experience in construction management as a field superintendent in outside linework, but it does not allow for a combination. This will allow an individual to qualify who has been in both positions, by combining the experience for a total of four years in the last six years in either position.

#### **12 AAC 32.125(b)- Scope of electrical administrator license in the outside communications category.**

The amendment to this section is removing the term “telegraph”. Statutes were updated in 2019 by removing the outdated term “telegraph”, this change is a conforming amendment.

#### **12 AAC 32.145- Qualifications for an electrical administrator license in the unlimited commercial wiring category.**

This section is being amended by adding an additional way to obtain qualifying experience for the unlimited commercial wiring category. The new language will allow for a combination of practical experience as a journeyman in inside commercial wiring and experience in management as a field superintendent in inside commercial wiring. Current requirements allow for either four years of experience in the last six years before the date of application as a journeyman in inside commercial wiring, or four years of experience in construction management as a field superintendent in inside commercial wiring, but it does not allow for a combination. This will allow an individual to qualify who has been in both positions, by combining experience for a total of four years in the last six years in either position.

#### **12 AAC 32.195(b)- Scope of an electrical administrator license in the inside communications category.**

The amendment to this section is removing the term “telegraph”. Statutes were updated in 2019 by removing the outdated term “telegraph”, this change is a conforming amendment.

### **12 AAC 32.345(a)- Report of continuing education.**

This section is regarding removal of the reporting of continuing education on the renewal form requiring the applicant to list each individual course the licensee has completed during the renewal period. This aligns with the changes made to 12 AAC 32.035. What this means is the applicant for renewal of a license will no longer be required to list each course on the renewal form. There will be a box to check and a statement certifying the applicant has met the required continuing education.

### **12 AAC 32.995(2)- Definitions.**

This section is being amended to clarify the definition for “division” is the division of corporations, business, and professional licensing.

## **2. Will these changes affect current licensees?**

Yes. This will make changes to the renewal requirements by removing the requirement to list the continuing education on the renewal form. The division will continue to audit ten percent of the licensees for continuing education compliance.

## **3. Are there any costs to the applicant for these changes?**

No costs are expected.

## **4. What are the positive and negative consequences of the regulations?**

Applicants for licensure will know which testing company is administering the electrical administrator examination.

Renewal applicants will no longer be required to list the individual continuing education courses on the renewal application, saving time for the applicant.

These changes will provide an additional way of obtaining the necessary qualifying experience for certain individuals who would not otherwise meet the qualifications to obtain a license in the unlimited commercial wiring category.

There are no negative consequences to the proposed changes.

## **When will the new regulations be effective?**

After the public comment deadline, comments received are compiled and given to the Division Director for consideration. The division may adopt the regulation as written/publicly noticed, may

amend and adopt them, choose to take no action, or may withdraw the proposed regulations in part or in its whole. After division action, the adopted regulations go to Department of Law (DOL) for final review/approval. DOL either approves or disapproves regulations. Once approved by DOL, it goes to the lieutenant governor for filing. Regulations takes effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor.

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