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New Mechanical Inspection Standards Effective June 14

2005 National Electrical, 2004 Elevator and 2004 Boiler/Pressure Vessel Codes Take Effect

(Juneau) – New regulations become effective June 14, 2006, adopting the 2005 National Electrical Code as the minimum electrical standards in the State of Alaska. Projects that have progressed beyond the “Request for Proposal” stage may continue to use the older version of the codes, while new projects must be designed to the standards of the new codes.

“Contractors in particular need to take note of these new regulations and incorporate the standards in their bids and plans,” said Department of Labor & Workforce Development Commissioner Greg O’Claray.

Also on June 14, new regulations become effective adopting the 2004 edition (ASME A17.1-2004) of the Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators as the minimum code standards applicable to elevators, escalators, platform lifts and stairway chairlifts in the State of Alaska, with certain exceptions. Additionally, new regulations become effective June 14 adopting the 2004 edition of the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, and addenda as amended and interpreted as of July, 2003, as the minimum code standards applicable to boiler and pressure vessels in the State of Alaska.

Additional regulations taking effect relate to inspection fees for elevators, asbestos abatement applicants for certificates of fitness, applicants for hazardous painting certificates, experience requirements for boiler and pressure vessel operators’ licenses, certificate of fitness requirements for plumber, electrician and power linemen trainees and rescinding the reciprocal agreement with the state of Idaho.

For complete details of new regulations going into effect June 14, please see the complete posting at www.state.ak.us. Click on Notices in the top menu to get to the Online Public Notice page, and view by publish date for June 5.

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