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You are receiving this forfeiture because a Department investigation found that you engaged in electrical work without possessing any electrical license. A license is required in the State of Wisconsin to perform most electrical work, Wis. Stat. § 101.862(2). An investigation by the Department found by a preponderance of the evidence that you engaged in electrical work when you were hired by Richard Dart to install an off-grid solar system at N1498 Shimon Road, Ogema, Wisconsin. This work is not exempt from license requirements unless the voltage does not exceed 100 volts. There is a preponderance of evidence from the investigation that the

installation of at least four panels for the Dart project exceeded that voltage threshold. The investigation found that you performed electrical work on at least two occasions: May 23, 2020 and June 5, 2020. On May 23, 2020 you started the installation of the solar panels for Mr. Dart. On June 5, 2020, you finished the installation for Mr. Dart. Wis. Stat. § 101.88(3) allows for a forfeiture of up to \$500 for each violation and each day constitutes a separate offense. Therefore the Department finds two violations and a forfeiture of \$500 for each offense.

Second, the Department's investigation found that you held out your company, Independent Power Grid, LLC, as a business engaging in the trade of installing, repairing, or maintaining electrical wiring without possessing an electrical contractor credential in violation of Wis. Stat. § 101.862(1). The Department found that you hired electricians to perform electrical work in connection with your company, Michael Frederick and Marty Coel. The Department has a preponderance of evidence that you held out your company as a business engaged in the trade of electrical wiring on at least three occasions: On May 4, 2020, you had conversations and were hired by Mr. Dart to install the off-grid solar system. On May 23, 2020 you performed some of the electrical wiring work. And on June 5, 2020, you finished the installation. Wis. Stat. § 101.88(3) allows for a forfeiture of up to \$500 for each violation and each day constitutes a separate offense. Therefore the Department finds three violations and a forfeiture of \$500 for each offense.

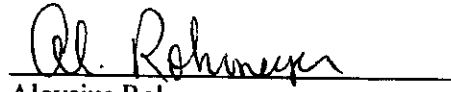
The Department is aware that you are continuing to work with Marty Coel on solar installation projects. These are also violations of Wis. Stat. § 101.862(1) and the Department reserves the right to pursue these violations if you do not immediately cease and desist from engaging in these electrical installation projects until properly credentialed.

Upon the payment of the forfeiture if you wish to continue performing electrical work or holding out your business as an electrical contractor business you shall immediately obtain the appropriate credential. You shall cease and desist from any electrical work until you possess the proper credential. Failure to do so can lead to future disciplinary actions.

You have the right to request a hearing on this matter by sending a request for hearing to the Department of Safety and Professional Services, Chief Legal Counsel, P.O. Box 7190, Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7190, which must be received by the Department no later than 30 days from the date of mailing of this Notice. Any review will be held in accordance with the requirements set forth in Wis. Stat. § 101.02(6). Such request for review shall set out specifically and in full detail every reason why this order is unreasonable, and every issue to be considered by the Department in the review.

For engaging in electrical work without the proper credential and for operating a business without the proper credential the forfeiture of \$2,500.00 is assessed in accordance with Wis. Stat. § 101.88(3).

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin on November 26, 2022.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Rohmeyer", is written over a horizontal line.

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