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The Electrical Association is writing to express our collective support for the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry's proposed fee adjustments for electrical permitting and inspection services.

Rationale for Support

After careful consideration, we believe these fee increases are essential and justified for the following reasons:

1. The current fee structure has remained unchanged since 2007, failing to keep pace with the actual costs of providing critical safety inspection services.
2. The proposed fee adjustments represent a responsible approach to ensuring adequate funding for the electrical inspections unit.
3. The modest increases will directly support the continued high-quality work of electrical inspectors who play a crucial role in public safety.

Proposed Fee Adjustments

We specifically endorse the following proposed changes:

- Support the new \$25 application fee
- Support the \$10 remote virtual inspection fee
- Increasing the minimum inspection fee from \$35 to \$55
- Raising the circuit fee from \$6 to \$12

Closing Statement

We urge the Minnesota Legislature to approve these necessary and reasonable fee increases to maintain the highest standards of electrical safety and inspection services.

Respectfully submitted,

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