

Limited Energy - Unlimited Potential

Statewide Limited Energy JATC Newsletter

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Training Today's Industry for Tomorrow's Technology

Job Posting for Limited Energy Training Director

The Minnesota Statewide Limited Energy JATC Trust Committee and Training Committee are currently accepting resumes for the Training Director position.

The Training Director is responsible for administering the Limited Energy Training Program in Minneapolis/St. Paul, Rochester and Duluth. Major job responsibilities include financial and office administration as well as curriculum development and classroom development and administration.

To be considered for the position of Training Director, applicants must have a strong background in and extensive knowledge of the Limited Energy industry. Excellent administrative and communication skills are also required. Existing limited energy journeymen are encouraged to apply, but a current IBEW Union card is not a job requirement.

Questions and/or resumes may be forwarded to any Minnesota NECA Chapter or IBEW Local as soon as possible.

Minneapolis

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St. Paul

NECA 380 E. Lafayette Frontage Rd Suite 216 St. Paul, MN 55107 651-224-3377

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South Central NECA 5100 Gamble Drive, Suite 365 St. Louis Park, MN 55416 952-591-1800

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Twin Ports Arrowhead NECA 802 Garfield Avenue, Suite 102 Duluth, MN 55802 218-722-8115 IBEW Local 292 312 Central Avenue Suite 292

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Continuing Education Classes

If you are employed by a contractor who is signatory to the Limited Energy Agreement, you can register for continuing education classes with **no classroom fee**.

Other license holders can also register for this training. However, there is a \$100 fee for anyone not employed by a signatory limited energy contractor.

Continuing Education Class Schedule: FRIDLEY

July 9 **Basic CCTV** July 27 & 28 Residential Audio/Video August 8 & 15 Local Area Networks August 20 Basic Security Systems August 24 & 25 **Basic CCTV** September 7 & 14 Fire Alarm Systems **Basic Fiber Optics** September 19 & 20 September 22 & 29 Computer Fundamentals October 12 & 13 Paging Systems Card Access October 17 & 18 October 29 Residential Audio/Video

Classes with two dates listed are week day evening classes from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on BOTH evenings. Classes with one date listed are Saturday classes from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. NEC code book, hard hat and safety glasses are needed for these classes.

If you, or anyone you know is interested in registering for a class, you can register on line through our website or you can call our Fridley office. Please remember, we need a minimum of 10 participants and a maximum of 25 students for any class.

When registering for class, DON'T SHORT CHANGE YOURSELF. Don't take a class you could teach just to get your continuing education credits. You will benefit most by taking a class that you plan to learn something from.

Cisco CCNA

The 2nd semester of Cisco CCNA classes will be available for all members that completed the 1st semester. This class will begin on Monday, September 12th and continue for 18 consecutive Mondays. Call the JATC if you are interested. You already have the books you will need.



From Jim's Desk

As many of you are aware, a couple of months ago, I informed the Trust and Education Committees that

it was my plan to seek out other job opportunities and would be, at some point in time, leaving my position as the Limited Energy Statewide Training Director.

During my tenure here, I have learned a lot and am proud of my contribution in the development of this training program and the development of the continuing education program.

Training people in this industry and helping IBEW/NECA members become more qualified through training is a passion of mine. I have always believed that, through training, we can be a workforce that has the opportunity to be a force to reckoned with.

My last day as the Statewide Training Director will be July 15th as I have accepted another offer and will be starting that position on July 18th.

I know that I will miss the daily interaction with the apprentices in my capacity as Training Director. But my passion for training will not allow me to completely separate myself from the JATC. I have agreed to continue teaching continuing education classes and to assist the JATC in whatever capacity needed.

The success of this program will continue and the success of each apprentice will also continue to be enhanced through training.

NICET Class

We have many people requesting a NICET Test Preparation class. In response to your requests, we have scheduled a class for your benefit.

This class will begin on Wednesday, September 14th and will continue for ten consecutive Wednesdays.

Although there is no classroom fee, you will be required to have a current NFPA 72 Code Book. We will have them available for purchase at the price of \$48.00 each. The books that are required to purchase from our JATC will be the Fire Alarm Systems textbook and the workbook totaling \$55.00 for both.

If you are interested in participating in this class, please call our JATC as soon as possible as classroom space will be limited to a maximum of 20 participants. We anticipate that there will be a lot of people registering for this class so don't wait to register.

Power Limited Technician License Testing

The Minnesota Legislature has been called into a special session by the Governor to resolve critical issues. What you may not be aware of is one item that was decided on which may affect you.

A person who has submitted an application by 09-30-05 to take the power limited technician exam administered by the State Board of Electricity is not required to meet the qualifications to take the test.

What this means for you is that you now have a small window of opportunity to apply and test without meeting all the qualifications which include 5 years of working experience in this area.

If you are interested in applying to test, you can get your application <u>www.electricity.state.mn.us</u>. From here you can click on the following:

Electrical Licensing Personal Licensing Personal Licensing Forms

Personal Electrical License & Examination Application.

Download the application form, fill it out and mail it to the Minnesota Board of Electricity along with your \$35 application fee.

We are holding a license test preparation class on September 10th and October 8th. If you are interested, call our office to register.

The Answer Box

Please keep asking questions. Remember, the question you ask is probably something that someone else is wondering.

Question: I am an apprentice, but I am not currently attending school. Do I still need to pay the annual apprenticeship fee?

Answer: YES! If you are an indentured apprentice, you must pay this annual fee. The date is not determined by the date you signed your indenture papers. This fee is assessed to all apprentices on the same date, even if they have only been indentured of a month or only have one month left before they will complete apprenticeship.



Question: When do I start back to school again?

<u>Answer</u>: August 1st will be the start of the next session. This will be for apprentices taking 3rd year Installer and 2nd year Technician classes. This will allow the session be completed before January 2006 when classes will start for 1st and 2nd year Installer students.