NOTICE OF INTENT

Workforce Commission Plumbing Board

Plumbers—Introductory Information; Licenses (LAC 46:LV.101, 301(F) and 301(R))

In accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:953, the Louisiana State Plumbing Board (board), hereby determines that the implementation of an amendment to LAC 46:LV.101 to define terms utilized in the proposed amendment to 301 (F) and (R) which is necessary to provide for alternative signage regulations when working on a multi-site project. The proposed amendments do not qualify as an occupational regulation. This adjustment will be effective upon final publication in the *Louisiana Register*.

Title 46 PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS Part LV. Plumbers

Chapter 1. Introductory Information

§101. Definitions

Multi-site – any location where the employing entity is performing work as defined in 101 in or on more than one adjacent structure.

Site – any location where the employing entity is performing work as defined in 101 in or on a single structure.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1277 and R.S. 37:1366.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Adopted by the department of Labor, State Plumbing Board, 1968, amended and promulgated by Department of Employment and Training, State Plumbing Board, LR 17:57 (January 1991), repromulgated by the Department of Labor, State Plumbing Board, LR 30:2068 (September 2004), amended by the Workforce Commission, Plumbing Board, LR

Chapter 3. Licenses

§301. Licenses Required

A. – E. ...

F. Every employing entity shall maintain an established place of business, with facilities for receiving complaints, calls and notices during normal business hours, from any person for whom it is performing plumbing or from the board and its representatives. It shall display a sign, plainly visible from the street at every place where it and its employees are performing plumbing work. If the employing entity is the sole-employing entity for a multi-site project, where employees are performing plumbing work, it may post one sign, plainly visible from the street, at the entrance of the project. All posted signs shall designate the employing entity's full name, address, telephone

number and master plumber license number issued by the board to the designated active master plumber in its employ. The sign posted at a single site shall include legible lettering at least 2 inches high with the words "Louisiana Licensed Master Plumber" (or abbreviated "LA Lic. Master Plumber" or "LMP ______"). For multi-site projects, where only a single sign is posted, in addition to the above requirement, the lettering must be at least 4 inches high. The employing entity shall also identify itself by permanent signs or lettering affixed to its service vehicles on both sides of such vehicles indicating the same information required of job-site signs in at least 2-inch lettering." All public advertising, solicitations, customer invoices, and business correspondence issued by or on behalf of an employing entity shall set forth the information described herein.

G. – Q. ...

R. Every employing entity shall maintain an established place of business, with facilities for receiving complaints, calls and notices during normal business hours, from any person for whom it is performing gas fitting or from the board and its representatives. It shall display a sign, plainly visible from the street at every place where it and its employees are performing gas fitting work. If the employing entity is the sole-employing entity for a multi-site project, where employees are performing natural gas work, it may post one sign, plainly visible from the street, at the entrance of the project. All posted signs shall designate the employing entity's full name, address, telephone number and master gas fitter license number issued by the board to the designated active master gas fitter in its employ. The sign posted at a single site shall include legible lettering at least 2 inches high with the words "Louisiana Licensed Master Gas Fitter" (or abbreviated "LA Lic. Master Gas Fitter" or "LMNGF"). For multi-site projects, where only a single sign is posted, in addition to the above requirement, the lettering must be at least 4 inches high. The employing entity shall also identify itself by permanent signs or lettering affixed to its service vehicles on both sides of such vehicles indicating the same information required of job-site signs, in at least 2inch lettering." All public advertising, solicitations, customer invoices, and business correspondence issued by or on behalf of an employing entity shall set forth the information described herein.

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AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1366(D).

HISTORICAL NOTE: Adopted by the Department of Labor, Plumbing Board, 1968, amended and promulgated by the Department of Employment and Training, Plumbing Board, LR 17:49 (January 1991), amended by the Department of Labor, Plumbing Board LR 19:897 (July 1993), LR 19:1593 (December 1993), LR 21:1348 (December 1995), LR 25:1857 (October 1999), amended by the Workforce Commission, Plumbing Board, LR 42:576 (April 2016), LR 43:541 (March 2017), LR 43:972 (May 2017), LR

Family Impact Statement

The proposed amendments to LAC 46:301 and the adoption of LAC rule should have no known or foreseeable impact on any family as defined by R.S. 49:972(D) or on family formation, stability and autonomy. Specifically, the implementation of this proposed rule has no known or foreseeable effect on:

1. The stability of the family.

2. The authority and rights of parents regarding the education and supervision of their children.

3. The functioning of the family.

- 4. Family earnings and family budget.
- 5. The behavior and personal responsibility of children.
- 6. The ability of the family or local government to perform this function.

Poverty Impact Statement

The proposed amendments to LAC 46:101 and 301 should have no impact on poverty as described in R.S. 49:973.

Small Business Impact Statement

The proposed amended Rule should have no adverse impact on small businesses as defined in the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

Provider Impact Statement

The proposed amended Rule is not anticipated to have any impact on providers of services funded by the state as described in HCR 170 of the 2014 Regular Legislative Session.

Public Comments

Any interested person may submit written comments regarding the content of this proposed Rule change to Ashley Jones Tullier, Executive Director of the Board, 11304 Cloverdale Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA, no later than 5:00 p.m., December 10, 2020.

> Ashley Jones Tullier Executive Director

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RULE TITLE: Multi-Site Signage

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

There are no anticipated implementation costs or savings to the Louisiana State Plumbing Board (Board), state or local governmental units as a result of the proposed rule change. The proposed rule change would allow those employers performing plumbing or gas fitting work on a multi-site project, defined as work on more than one adjacent structure, to post one sign at the entrance of the project, rather than at every location where they are performing work.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

There is no impact on the revenue collections of state or local governmental units as a result of the proposed rule change.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS, SMALL BUSINESSES, OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

The proposed rule change may result in a decrease in costs to those employers who are the sole employing entity for a multi-site project by allowing them to post fewer signs at a worksite.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

The proposed rule change will have no effect on competition and employment.