

# AGREEMENT

Between

ATLANTA ELECTRICAL  
CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION,  
ATLANTA CHAPTER NECA, INC.

And

LOCAL UNION 613  
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD  
of  
ELECTRICAL WORKERS  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

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## Agreement

Agreement by and between the Atlanta Electrical Contractors Association, Atlanta Chapter NECA, Inc. and Local Union No. 613, IBEW.

It shall apply to all firms who sign a Letter of Assent to be bound by the terms of this Agreement.

As used hereinafter in this Agreement, the terms "Association" and "Chapter" shall mean the Atlanta Electrical Contractors Association, Atlanta Chapter NECA, Inc. and the term "Union" shall mean Local Union 613, IBEW.

The term "Employer" shall mean an individual firm who has been recognized by an assent to this Agreement.

## Basic Principles

The Employer and the Union have a common and sympathetic interest in the Electrical Industry. Therefore, a working system and harmonious relations are necessary to improve the relationship between the Employer, the Union, and the Public. Progress in industry demands a mutuality of confidence between the Employer and the Union. All will benefit by continuous peace and by adjusting any differences by rational, common sense methods. Now, therefore, in consideration of the mutual promises and agreements herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

## Article I

### Effective Date—Changes—Grievances—Disputes

Section 1.01. This Agreement shall take effect September 1, 2023, and shall remain in effect until August 31, 2027 unless otherwise specifically provided for herein. It shall continue in effect from year to year thereafter, from September 1 through August 31 of each year, unless changed or terminated in the way later provided herein.

Section 1.02. (a) Either party or an Employer withdrawing representation from the Chapter or not represented by the Chapter, desiring to change or terminate this Agreement must provide written notification at least 90 days prior to the expiration date of the Agreement or any anniversary date occurring thereafter.

(b) Whenever notice is given for changes, the nature of the changes desired must be specified in the notice, or no later than the first negotiating meeting unless mutually agreed otherwise.

(c) The existing provisions of the Agreement, including this Article, shall remain in full force and effect until a conclusion is reached in the matter of proposed changes.

(d) Unresolved issues or disputes arising out of the failure to negotiate a renewal or modification of this agreement that remain on the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month preceding the next regular meeting of the Council on Industrial Relations for the Electrical Contracting Industry (CIR) may be submitted jointly or unilaterally to the Council for adjudication. Such unresolved issues or disputes shall be submitted no later than the next regular meeting of the Council following the expiration date of this agreement or any subsequent anniversary date. The Council's decisions shall be final and binding.

(e) When a case has been submitted to the Council, it shall be the responsibility of the negotiating committee to continue to meet weekly in an effort to reach a settlement on the local level prior to the meeting of the Council.

(f) Notice of a desire to terminate this Agreement shall be handled in the same manner as a proposed change.

Section 1.03. This Agreement shall be subject to change or supplement at any time by mutual consent of the parties hereto. Any such change or supplement agreed upon shall be



reduced to writing, signed by the parties hereto, and submitted to the International Office of the IBEW for approval, the same as this Agreement.

Section 1.04. There shall be no stoppage of work either by strike or lockout because of any proposed changes in this Agreement or dispute over matters relating to this Agreement. All such matters must be handled as stated herein.

Section 1.05. There shall be a Labor-Management Committee of three representing the Union and three representing the Employers. It shall meet regularly at such stated times as it may decide. However, it shall also meet within 48 hours when notice is given by either party. It shall select its own Chairman and Secretary. The Local Union shall select the Union representatives and the Chapter shall select the management representatives.

Section 1.06. All grievances or questions in dispute shall be adjusted by the duly authorized representative of each of the parties to this Agreement. In the event that these two are unable to adjust any matter within 48 hours, they shall refer the same to the Labor-Management Committee.

Section 1.07. All matters coming before the Labor-Management Committee shall be decided by a majority vote. Four members of the Committee, two from each of the parties hereto, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, but each party shall have the right to cast the full vote of its membership and it shall be counted as though all were present and voting.

Section 1.08. Should the Labor-Management Committee fail to agree or to adjust any matter, such shall then be referred to the council on Industrial Relations for the Electrical Contracting Industry for adjudication. The Council's decisions shall be final and binding.

Section 1.09. When any matter in dispute has been referred to conciliation or arbitration for adjustment, the provisions and conditions prevailing prior to the time such matters arose shall not be changed or abrogated until agreement has been reached or a ruling has been made.

## Article II Employer Rights - Union Rights

Section 2.01. Certain qualifications, knowledge, experience and proof of financial responsibility are required of everyone desiring to be an Employer in the Electrical Industry. Therefore, an Employer who contracts for electrical work is a person, firm or corporation having these qualifications and maintaining a place of business and a suitable financial status to meet payroll requirements.

Section 2.02. The Union understands the Employer is responsible to perform the work required by the owner. The Employer shall, therefore, have no restrictions except those specifically provided for in the collective bargaining agreement, in planning, directing and controlling the operation of all his work, in deciding the number and kind of employees to properly perform the work, in hiring and laying off employees, in transferring employees from job to job within the Local Union's geographical jurisdiction, in determining the need and number as well as the person who will act as Foreman, in requiring all employees to observe the Employer's and/or owner's rules and regulations not inconsistent with this Agreement, in requiring all employees to observe all safety regulations and in discharging employees for proper cause.

Section 2.03. For all employees covered by this Agreement, the Employer shall carry Workers' Compensation Insurance, with a company authorized to do business in this state; Social Security; and such other protective insurance as may be required by the laws of the state in which the work is performed. He shall also make contributions to the State Unemployment Compensation Commission regardless of the number of employees.

Section 2.04. Sufficient numbers of Journeymen, and apprentices will be made available for a project in order that working of overtime will be unnecessary except under extraordinary



circumstances. Shift work may be utilized in order to expedite the job and meet completion schedules.

Section 2.05. To ensure a sufficient number of skilled craftsmen to meet the needs of the industry, the parties will continue to expand and improve their presently recognized apprenticeship and journeymen training program.

Section 2.06. No member of Local Union 613 while he remains a member of such Local Union and subject to employment by Employers operating under this Agreement, shall himself become a contractor for the performance of any electrical work.

Section 2.07. (a) The Employer recognizes the Union as the sole and exclusive representative of all its employees performing work within the jurisdiction of the Union for the purpose of collective bargaining in respect to rates of pay, wages, hours of employment and other conditions of employment.

(b) The Employer understands that the Local Union's jurisdiction - both trade and territorial - is not a subject for negotiations but rather is determined solely within the IBEW by the International President and, therefore, agrees to recognize and be bound by such determinations.

Section 2.08. An employer signatory to a collective bargaining agreement or to a letter of assent to an agreement with another IBEW Local Union, who signs an assent to this Agreement, may bring up to four bargaining unit employees employed in that Local Union's jurisdiction in to this Local's jurisdiction and up to two bargaining unit employees per job from that Local's jurisdiction to this Local's jurisdiction for specialty or service and maintenance work. All charges of violations of this section shall be considered as a dispute and shall be processed in accordance with the provisions of this agreement for the handling of grievances with the exception that any decision of a local labor-management committee that may be contrary to the intent of the parties to the National Agreement on Employee Portability, upon recommendation of either or both the appropriate IBEW International Vice President or NECA Regional Executive Director, is subject to review, modification, or rescission by the council on Industrial Relations.

Section 2.09. The Union agrees that if, during the life of this Agreement, it grants to any other employer in the Electrical Contracting Industry, on work covered by this Agreement, any better terms or conditions than those set forth in this Agreement, such better terms or conditions shall be made available to the Employer under this Agreement and the Union shall immediately notify the Employer of any such concession.

Section 2.10. No more than one individual connected with an employing concern as owner, manager, partner, officer or member of a board of directors, or as a spouse of an owner, manager, partner, officer, or member of a board of directors, shall perform any manual electrical work. However, nothing in this rule shall be construed as preventing any individual from making a temporary repair or adjustment where an emergency exists involving a hazard to life or property. An Employer employing said individual shall have the option of either signing a non-bargaining participation agreement with the IBEW Local 613 Benefit Funds and making the required payments on behalf of said individual) or contributing to said funds, on behalf of said individual, an amount equal to the greater of the following:

a. 173 multiplied by the product of the contribution rate in effect for each of the IBEW Local 613 Benefit Funds multiplied by the Journeyman Wireman Rate then in effect; and

b. The total of all compensation paid to the individual during the month multiplied by the contribution rate in effect for each of the IBEW Local 613 Benefit Funds.

Section 2.11. The Union reserves the right to discipline its members for violation of its laws, rules and agreements. Any dispute regarding the manner in which a foreman, lead journeyman, general foreman or area foreman executes his supervisory or job management responsibilities shall be handled as a grievance against the Employer.

Section 2.12. The Employer shall render all assistance to the steward in his power and the steward shall not be removed from the shop or job without consultation with the Business



Manager. The steward shall perform the work of a journeyman wireman. However, he will be given sufficient time to perform his steward's responsibilities.

Section 2.13. The representative of the Union shall be allowed access to any shop or job, at any reasonable time, where workmen are employed under the terms of this agreement.

Section 2.14. (a) This Agreement does not deny the right of the Union or its representatives to render assistance to other AFL/ CIO organizations by removal of its members from jobs when necessary and when the Union or its representatives decide to do so, but no removal shall take place until notice is first given the Employer involved.

(b) When such a removal takes place, the Union or its representatives shall direct the workman on such job to carefully put away all tools, materials, equipment, or any other property of the Employer in a safe manner. The Union will be financially responsible for any loss to the Employer from neglect in carrying out this provision, but only when a safe place is provided by the Employer, for use by the workmen.

Section 2.15. There shall be no limitations on the productivity of workmen or on safe use of proper tools of the trade and construction equipment.

Section 2.16.(a) Journeymen shall provide themselves with not less than the following tools:

Center Punch  
Hacksaw Frame  
Hammer  
Knife  
Level - Small  
Pencil  
2 Channel Lock Pliers, #420  
Pliers – Cutting  
Wire Stripper/Cutter (10-20 AWG copper)  
Screwdrivers - small, medium, large and Phillips head (each not to exceed 8 inches)  
Six Ft. Rule  
25ft Tape Measure  
Square  
Wiggins Type Voltage Meter

The Employer shall furnish all other necessary tools and equipment. Workmen will be held responsible for the tools or equipment issued to them providing the Employer furnishes the necessary lockers, tool boxes, or other safe places for storage.

(b) The Employer shall provide necessary safe places for storage of employee tools on jobs where it is required for the employee by the employer to leave his tools and the employer shall be responsible for replacing all stolen tools of the employee on those jobs, not to exceed the required journeyman tool list.

Section 2.17. On all jobs requiring five or more Journeymen, at least every fifth Journeyman, if available, shall be 50 years of age or older.

Section 2.18. Continuing Education. Labor Management recognizes the need to continually train and educate journeymen to meet the requirements of the ever-changing industry. It shall be the responsibility of the JATC to provide and journeyman to attend necessary classes to attain the skills necessary to meet the customer needs.

Section 2.19. An Employer shall have the exclusive right to name and place all engineers and superintendents on any job or project. All other field supervision shall be designated by the Employer from employees working under the terms of this Agreement.

Section 2.20. Every effort shall be made by the parties to ensure the highest level of productivity and the expeditious performance of the work with the pledge of "eight hours work for eight hours pay". Workmen shall be on the job at the designated starting time and will not



leave until the designated quitting time. There shall be no organized breaks. Loafing, excessive tardiness and unexcused absenteeism will not be tolerated.

Section 2.21. The Local Union is a part of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and any violation or annulment by an individual Employer of the approved Agreement of this or any other Local Union of the IBEW, other than violations of paragraph 2 of this section, will be sufficient cause for the cancellation of his Agreement by the Local Union, after a finding has been made by the International President of the Union that such a violation or annulment has occurred.

The subletting, assigning or transfer by an individual Employer of any work in connection with electrical work to any person, firm or corporation not recognizing the IBEW or one of its Local Unions as the collective bargaining representative of his employees on any electrical work in the jurisdiction of this or any other Local Union to be performed at the site of the construction, alteration, painting or repair of a building, structure or other work, will be deemed a material breach of this Agreement.

All charges or violations of paragraph 2 of this section shall be considered as a dispute and shall be processed in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement covering the procedure for the handling of grievances and the final and binding resolution of disputes.

Section 2.22. No grievance or question in dispute shall be considered by the Labor-Management Committee unless the event giving rise to such grievance or question in dispute shall have been set forth in writing and filed with the duly authorized representative of each of the parties to this Agreement within twenty-one (21) calendar days of the occurrence of same.

### Article III Hours - Wages - Working Conditions

Section 3.01. (a) Forty (40) hours work, Monday through Friday, shall constitute the workweek. A thirty (30) minute meal break shall be allowed. Saturday may be used as a makeup day, and if utilized, a minimum of eight (8) hours must be scheduled.

(b) Hours worked in excess of ten (10) hours per day or forty (40) straight time hours per workweek or on Sunday, shall be paid at one and one-half (1 ½) times the straight time hourly rate. During weeks that contain New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day or Christmas Day, hours worked on Saturday shall be paid at one and one-half (1 ½) times the straight time hourly rate, provided the employee has worked all non-overtime hours made available to him during the workweek. Overtime or Holiday hours paid at time and one-half or double time shall not count toward the 40 hours.

(c) All hours worked on Holidays (including Easter) shall be paid at (2) times the straight time hourly rate.

Section (d) deleted

(e) Unless working pursuant to Sections 3.17 or 3.23, work between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., Monday through Friday, not exceeding ten (10) hours worked that day, shall be paid at the straight time rate plus a ten percent (10%) premium for each hour worked.

(f) When so elected by the Employer, Saturday may be scheduled as a regular workday. A thirty (30) minute meal break shall be allowed. An employee scheduled to work on such Saturday, shall be paid at the straight time rate plus a ten percent (10%) premium, provided the employee has worked all hours made available to him during the workweek. An employee who has not worked all such available hours, shall be paid straight time between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., and straight time plus ten percent (10%) between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

(g) When an employee is required to work continuously around the clock, and into his/her normal shift, the prevailing overtime rate shall apply until there is at least a four (4) hour lapse.



(h) When requesting applicants for employment, the Employer shall notify the Union as to whether the prospective employee may be asked to work the first Saturday following his starting date. An Employer who fails to so notify the Union, will be required to pay said employee the straight time wage rate established in the Agreement plus a ten percent (10%) premium for each hour worked for any work performed on said first Saturday, provided that employee has worked all hours made available to him during the workweek. This subsection shall not apply if working pursuant to Section 3.01 (f).

Section (i) deleted.

(j) There shall be no pyramiding of overtime rates and double the straight time rate shall be the maximum compensation for any hour worked.

(k) During weeks that an apprentice is marked as having attended a day school class, hours worked on Saturday shall be paid at one and one-half (1 ½) times the straight time hourly rate. However, any scheduled hours missed by the apprentice during the workweek, for any reason, (other than the day he attended day school) will first be made up on that Saturday at straight time. Hours paid at time and one-half shall not count toward the forty (40) hours referenced in Section 3.01 (b). No wages or benefits will be paid or owed to the apprentice for the hours spent in school.

Section 3.02. (a) The pay week shall end on Sunday of each week. Wages shall be paid weekly, for the prior workweek, in currency, by check or direct deposit (per Section 3.02(c)), no later than the regular quitting time on Thursday of each workweek.

(b) Employers who do not maintain a permanent office within the jurisdiction of Local 613 shall provide no cost payroll check cashing services to their employees.

(c) If chosen by the Employer, an acceptable method of paying wages shall be by means of electronic transfer directly to the employee's bank account. If requested by the employee, or when the employee does not have a bank account, wages shall be deposited in an account established by the Employer, at a financial institution of the Employer's choosing. Said account will permit funds to be withdrawn by means of an ATM card. No recurring service charges or maintenance fees shall be assessed against the employee in connection with the account established by the Employer. No fees shall be assessed against the employee for accessing funds at an ATM owned and operated by the financial institution at which the Employer has established the account. If an electronic transfer option is chosen, such transfer shall be made no later than 5:00pm on Wednesday (or 5pm Thursday during weeks containing a bank holiday) of each workweek. The employer shall be prohibited from debiting the account of the employee.

Section 3.03. (a) If the employee is not paid in full as required by Section 3.02, 3.20, 3.25 or 3.26, waiting time of a maximum of eight (8) hours per day, at the applicable straight time rate, shall be paid for the first three (3) work days of non-payment. After the first three (3) days of non-payment, waiting time of a maximum of eight (8) hours per work day, at one and one-half (1 ½) times the applicable straight time rate shall be paid until payment is made. Waiting time shall start upon notification to the Employer that the required payment was not made.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 3.03 (a), an Employer shall be permitted to withhold the final payment owed to an employee until such time as the employee returns all property (including but not limited to security badges, keys and tools) issued to such employee. Written notification regarding said withholding must be made at the time that the final payment would otherwise be required. If the property is not returned within seven (7) days of the employee's termination, the Employer shall be permitted to deduct from the final payment the value of the unreturned property along with any fees, fines, penalties or similar costs incurred by or assessed against the Employer as a result of said unreturned property. The Employer will be permitted to make use of this Section 3.03 (b) only if the employee signs a written acknowledgement setting forth the provisions of this Section and listing the property issued to the employee and the value of the property or the fees, fines, penalties or similar costs that will be assessed for the failure to return said property. Employees shall be provided with a written acknowledgement upon the return of all signed for property.



Section 3.04. (a) Holidays. The following holidays or days celebrated as such will be paid double time: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and Easter. Holidays which occur on Saturday shall be observed the previous Friday; holidays which occur on Sunday shall be observed the following Monday, except Easter shall be observed on Easter Sunday.

(b) Beginning 2023, Thanksgiving Day shall become a paid holiday. Beginning 2024, Christmas Day shall become a paid holiday. Beginning 2025, Labor Day shall become a paid holiday. Beginning 2026, Fourth of July shall become a paid holiday. Beginning 2027, Martin Luther King shall become a paid holiday. To qualify for a paid holiday, an employee must have been employed 30 days prior to the holiday and have had no unexcused absences or unexcused tardiness during the 30 days prior to the holiday. An employee who receives a reduction-in-force within 7 days of an upcoming paid holiday shall receive holiday pay provided they received pay for the preceding holiday. A paid holiday shall consist of 8 hours straight time pay with only the 3% NEBF fringe benefits due. Hours paid for holiday pay do not count as hours worked when calculating overtime pay. If a paid holiday falls on a Saturday, it will be observed the previous Friday. If a paid holiday falls on a Sunday, it will be observed the following Monday. Employees will be paid on the regular paycheck that covers the pay period on which a paid holiday is observed.

Section 3.05. All prevailing wage determination jobs shall be bid, and worked, at the applicable rate posted at the time of bid. If, during the course of such a job, the posted prevailing wage rate is increased by the contracting officer, the Employer shall incorporate the changes.

Section 3.06. Section Deleted

Section 3.07. (a) All pay rate changes shall take effect on the first pay period of the month following the upgrade or change in status. This includes Apprentice, CW, and CE upgrades from one level to the next, as well as, and/or tenure pay for Journeymen. (This does not include shift pay, Foreman pay, General Foreman pay, or any premium pay listed in Section 3 of the CBA except those listed above).

Section 3.07. (b). Effective September 4, 2023 - The minimum hourly wage rate for JW's and above are set forth below.

The Lead Journeyman rate is 105% of JW rate, Foreman rate is 110% of JW rate, Lead Foreman rate is 115% of JW rate, General Foreman rate is 120% of JW rate, Area Foreman rate is 125% of JW rate and Journeyman Wireman Cable Splicer rate is 90 cents above JW rate.

Effective September 4, 2023 – An increase of 1.5% of Journeyman Wireman rate will be given to any Journeyman Wireman or above for six (6) months of uninterrupted service with the same employer as a Journeyman Wireman or above. Once they reach two (2) years or more of uninterrupted service with the same employer as a Journeyman Wireman or above the increase goes to 3.0% of Journeyman Wireman rate. Tenured employees will be given the option to direct their tenure pay as a contribution to a jointly administered qualified 401(k) program.

Effective September 2, 2024 - A 2.0% of Journeyman Wireman rate increase will be given to any Journeyman Wireman or above for six (6) months of uninterrupted service with the same employer as a Journeyman Wireman or above. 4.0% of a Journeyman Wireman rate increase will be given to any Journeyman Wireman or above for two (2) or more years of uninterrupted service with the same employer as a Journeyman Wireman or above.

<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>9/4/23</b>	<b>3/4/24</b>	<b>9/2/24</b>	<b>3/3/25</b>	<b>9/1/25</b>	<b>3/2/26</b>	<b>9/7/26</b>
Journeyman	\$35.25	\$36.00	\$36.65	\$38.65	\$39.35	\$40.00	\$42.00
Lead Journeyman	\$37.01	\$37.80	\$38.48	\$40.58	\$41.32	\$42.00	\$44.10
Foreman	\$38.78	\$39.60	\$40.32	\$42.52	\$43.29	\$44.00	\$46.20
Lead Foreman	\$40.54	\$41.40	\$42.15	\$44.45	\$45.25	\$46.00	\$48.30



General Foreman	\$42.30	\$43.20	\$43.98	\$46.38	\$47.22	\$48.00	\$50.40
Area Foreman	\$44.06	\$45.00	\$45.81	\$48.31	\$49.19	\$50.00	\$52.50
Journeyman Cable Splicer	\$36.15	\$36.90	\$37.55	\$39.55	\$40.25	\$40.90	\$42.90

#### Apprentice Wireman

Effective September 4, 2023, the wage scale for apprentices employed under the terms of this agreement shall be as follows:

Effective March 3, 2025, the wages are based on a percentage of the Journeyman Wireman rate:

**Level 1 is 45%, Level 2 is 50%, Level 3 is 55%, Level 4 is 65% and Level 5 is 75%.**

The Apprenticeship Program shall consist of 5 levels, where the upgrade for the next level will take effect upon the completion of 1600 hours of on-the-job training per level. These 1600 hours of on-the-job training completed at each level must be properly verified by the JATC.

Level	OJT Hours
Apprentice Level 1	0-1600
Apprentice Level 2	1601-3200
Apprentice Level 3	3201-4800
Apprentice Level 4	4801-6400
Apprentice Level 5	6401-8000

Effective Date	Effective Date 9/4/2023	Effective Date 3/4/2025	Effective Date 9/1/2025	Effective Date 3/2/2026	Effective Date 9/7/2026
1 <sup>st</sup> level	\$ 16.00	\$ 17.39	\$ 17.71	\$ 18.00	\$ 18.90
2 <sup>nd</sup> level	\$ 17.50	\$ 19.33	\$ 19.68	\$ 20.00	\$ 21.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> level	\$ 20.00	\$ 21.26	\$ 22.00	\$ 22.00	\$ 23.10
4 <sup>th</sup> level	\$ 23.00	\$ 25.58	\$ 26.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 27.30
5 <sup>th</sup> level	\$ 26.00	\$ 28.99	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 31.50

All indentured apprentices, and unindentured are to be listed on the payroll reports along with the journeyman.

Section 3.08. (a) The employer shall have the right to call Foreman by name provided:

- (1) The employee has not quit his previous employer within the past two weeks
- (2) The employer shall notify the business manager in writing of the name of the individual who is to be requested for employment as a Foreman. Upon such request, the business manager shall refer said foreman provided the name appears on the highest priority group.
- (3) When an employee is called as a foreman he must remain as a foreman for 400 hours or must receive a reduction in force.

Section 3.08 (b) Employers may call by name 50% of the actual number of journeymen needed from the currently available applicants registered on the out of work list, provided that the named journeyman is within the top 300 names on the list and has been on the list for at least fourteen (14) days. This shall only apply when requesting two (2) or more employees and will apply only



to the even numbered applicants. Should the non-named journeyman be terminated, unless terminated for cause, prior to being employed for 200 work hours, the employer must simultaneously terminate the employment of both the non-named and one named employee. This section does not change any rights the Employer has under Section 4.03.

(c) During the first thirty (30) days following a layoff, a laid off employee (not terminated for cause) shall have the first right of refusal to accept a referral submitted by his last Employer. This section does not change any rights the Employer has under Section 4.03.

Section 3.09. The number of supervision personnel, as well as the number of journeymen under supervision, shall be determined by the Employer based upon the following:

3 or less Journeyman Wireman:	1 Journeyman shall be designated as the point of contact and shall be responsible for supervisory duties
4 to 6 Journeyman Wiremen:	1 Lead Journeyman
7 to 12 Journeyman Wiremen:	1 Foreman or 2 or more Lead Journeymen
13 to 29 Journeyman Wiremen:	1 Lead Foreman or 1 Foreman and 1 or more Lead Journeymen.
30 or more Journeyman Wiremen:	1 General Foreman

The employer shall designate, for each project, an employee to act as a point of contact and safety coordinator. Larger projects shall also designate a chain of command.

Supervision personnel shall be employees classified in section 3.07(a) as Journeyman Wireman or above.

Section 3.10. Area General Foreman. If the employer chooses to designate an area general foreman, the area general foreman may supervise all work through the designated chain of command.

Section 3.11. Employees are not to take directions or accept layout of any job from anyone but their immediate supervisor, except in cases of emergency.

Section 3.12 deleted.

Section 3.13. Cable Splicers. Cable splicing work shall consist, of the following - "splicing pot head and termination of all circuits having a rating of 2300V and above which are lead-covered and/or shielded." Each cable splicer shall be assisted by a journeyman wireman when assistance is needed.

Section 3.14. High time on water tanks, steeples, TV or radio towers, smoke stacks and silos, where the electrical work performed extends twenty-five (25) feet above the base of these specified structures, the men who climb these structures while performing work above the twenty-five (25) foot level shall receive a premium of three dollars (\$3) per hour in addition to the regular scheduled rate of pay. Any work performed above three hundred (300) feet of the above described structures, the men who perform this work shall receive a premium of four dollars (\$4) per hour in addition to the regular scheduled rate of pay.

Section 3.15. Men performing work on the above structures above twenty-five (25) feet from a spider or bosun chair shall receive a premium of six dollars (\$6) per hour in addition to the regular schedule rate of pay.

Section 3.16. An additional one-dollar (\$1) an hour will be paid for working on bar joists, walk logs, exposed steel and swinging scaffolds when the surface the workman stands or sits on exceeds twenty-five (25) feet above solid floor and the workman is subject to free fall. On similar work above fifty (50) feet, a premium of three dollars (\$3) per hour will be paid in addition to the regular scheduled rate of pay.



Section 3.17. When so elected by the contractor, multiple shifts of at least five (5) days' duration may be worked. When two (2) or three (3) shifts are worked: The first shift (day shift) shall be worked between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. Workmen on the "day shift" shall receive eight (8) hours' pay at the regular hourly rate for eight (8) hours' work.

The second shift (swing shift) shall be worked between the hours of 4:30 P.M. and 12:30 A.M. Workmen on the "swing shift" shall receive eight (8) hours' pay at the regular hourly rate plus 10% for seven and one-half (7 ½) hours' work.

The third shift (graveyard shift) shall be worked between the hours of 12:30 A.M. and 8:00 A.M. Workmen on the "graveyard shift" shall receive eight (8) hours' pay at the regular hourly rate plus 15% for seven (7) hours' work.

A lunch period of thirty (30) minutes shall be allowed on each shift. All overtime work required after the completion of a regular shift shall be paid at one and one-half times the "shift" hourly rate.

There shall be no pyramiding of overtime rates and double the straight rate shall be the maximum compensation for any hour worked. There shall be no requirement for a day shift when either the second or third shift is worked.

Section 3.18. The Employer shall pay for traveling time plus \$12.00 for transportation from shop to job, job to job, and job to shop, within the jurisdiction of the Union, not applicable on initial job assignment. On work outside the jurisdiction of the Union, the Employer shall furnish transportation, board and all other necessary expenses.

Section 3.19. When a man is directed to report to a job and does not start work due to weather conditions, lack of material or other causes beyond his control he shall receive two (2) hours pay unless notified before the job's start time, provided that he has furnished the Employer with a telephone number where he may be reached for notification. If employee begins to work, he shall be paid not less than three (3) hours.

Section 3.20. Any man reporting for work and being laid-off, not having been notified the day previous of such layoff shall receive not less than two (2) hours wages in order to gather his tools and personal belongings and shall be paid in full immediately. The two-hour assessment shall not apply if the employee was absent from the job the previous day. Alternatively, an acceptable method of payment shall be by means of electronic transfer directly to the employee's bank account, if the employee has previously provided the Employer with the information required to accomplish such a transfer, and has consented in writing to have his final wages paid in this manner. If the electronic transfer method is chosen, such transfer shall be initiated on the day of termination. If an employee is not paid accordingly, he shall be paid in accordance with Article 3.03.

Section 3.21 When an employee is required to change his normal shift. There should be at least an eight (8) hour lapse.

Section 3.22. The fabrication and assembly of all materials or equipment other than standard manufactured items, shall be done whenever practical, by workmen employed under the terms of this Agreement.

Section 3.23. (a) Maintenance work shall be that work assigned by the owner to the contractor which shall include repairs, revitalization and upkeep of the owner's property, machinery and equipment within the limits of the owners' facilities. Any work not covered in the above scope shall be governed under the terms of the Inside Agreement.

(b) Overtime shall be paid at time and one-half for all hours over ten (10) per day or forty (40) per week except holidays shall be at double time rates; all other sections of this agreement shall remain the same.

Section 3.24. No Employer shall enter into any private Agreement for the use of any equipment, vehicle or otherwise belonging to the employee, nor shall he bargain with said employee relative to hours, conditions, wage rates, bonuses, or any other profit-sharing arrangement not specified under the terms of this Agreement.



Section 3.25. The following procedure shall be used when employees are terminated: An employee shall be given twenty-four (24) hours advance notice on a lay-off. If the Employer fails to give such notice, the employee shall receive two (2) hours severance pay and shall be paid in full when he leaves the job. Alternatively, an acceptable method of payment shall be by means of electronic transfer directly to the employee's bank account, if the employee has previously provided the Employer with the information required to accomplish such a transfer, and has consented in writing to have his final wages paid in this manner. If the electronic transfer method is chosen, such transfer shall be initiated on the day of termination. If an employee is not paid accordingly, he shall be paid in accordance with Article 3.03.

Section 3.26. An employee terminated for cause by the Employer shall be paid in full by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the next business day at the office of the Local Union. Alternatively, an acceptable method of payment shall be by means of electronic transfer directly to the employee's bank account, if the employee has previously provided the Employer with the information required to accomplish such a transfer. If the electronic transfer method is chosen, such transfer shall be initiated on the day of termination. If an employee is not paid accordingly, he shall be paid in accordance with Article 3.03.

Section 3.27. When an employee is terminated for any reason, the employer shall provide an electronic termination notice that shows the reason(s) for termination. The employer shall provide an electronic copy of the termination notice to the employee, Local Union 613, AECA, and JATC if applicable (i.e., employers do not send copies of terminations to JATC for JW's and CE's). All notices shall be provided by 8:00 A.M. the following workday. Texting of termination notices to employee or notices to Local Union 613, AECA, and JATC are not acceptable. Should the employer refuse to provide the above separation notices, the employee shall be entitled to receive up to a maximum of eight (8) hours pay based on the applicable straight time rate.

Section 3.28. Should the employee wish to terminate his employment with the employer, he shall give the employer two (2) hours' notice. The employer shall provide an electronic copy of the termination notice to the employee, Local Union 613, AECA, and JATC if applicable. All notices shall be provided by 8:00 A.M. the following workday. Texting of termination notices to employee or notices to Local Union 613, AECA, and JATC are not acceptable. Should the employer refuse to provide the above described separation notices, the employee shall be entitled to receive up to a maximum of eight (8) hours pay based on the applicable straight time rate.

Section 3.29. Safety & Work Rules

(a) All employees shall observe and comply with employer's, the owner's, and / or general contractor's rules including safety and OSHA regulations. The employer will inform himself of such requirements and in turn, inform his work force.

(b) A safety meeting should be held at least once a week on the job or shop, where practical and on company time.

(c) Employers shall be responsible for employees having reasonably close access to cool drinking water, toilet facilities, and First Aid Kits.

(d) Two Journeyman shall work together on all energized circuits of 440 volts AC or 250 volts DC or respective higher voltages.

Section 3.30. When working pursuant to Section 3.17, the following provisions shall apply; (a) The first shift (day shift) shall not necessarily be considered the first shift of the week; and (b) The starting time of the shifts may be varied not to exceed two (2) hours by mutual agreement.

#### Article IV Referral Procedure

Section 4.01. In the interest of maintaining an efficient system of production in the Industry, providing for an orderly procedure of referral of applicants for employment, preserving



the legitimate interests of employees in their employment status within the area and of eliminating discrimination in employment because of membership or non-membership in the Union, the parties hereto agree to the following system of referral of applicants for employment.

Section 4.02. The Union shall be the sole and exclusive source of referral of applicants for employment.

Section 4.03. The Employer shall have the right to reject any applicant for employment.

Section 4.04. The Union shall select and refer applicants for employment without discrimination against such applicants by reason of membership or non-membership in the Union and such selection and referral shall not be affected in any way by rules, regulations, bylaws, constitutional provisions or any other aspect or obligation of Union membership policies or requirements. All such selection and referral shall be in accord with the following procedure.

Section 4.05. The Union shall maintain a register of applicants for employment established on the basis of the Groups listed below. Each applicant for employment shall be registered in the highest priority Group for which he qualifies.

#### Journeyman Wireman—Journeyman Technician

GROUP I. All applicants for employment who have four or more years' experience in the trade, are residents of the geographical area constituting the normal construction labor market, have passed a Journeyman Wireman's examination given by a duly constituted Inside Construction Local Union of the I.B.E.W. or have been certified as a Journeyman Wireman by any Inside Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee; and who have been employed in the trade for a period of at least one year in the last four years in the geographic area covered by the collective bargaining agreement.

Group I status shall be limited to one Local Union at one time. An applicant who qualifies for Group I in a local union shall be so registered electronically and remain on Group I in that local union unless and until the applicant designates another local union as his or her Group I local union. If an applicant qualifies for Group I status in a local union other than his or her home local union and designates that local as his or her Group I local union, the business manager of the new Group I status local union shall by electronic means notify the business manager of the applicant's former Group I status local union.

GROUP II. All applicants for employment who have four or more years' experience in the trade and who have passed Journeyman Wireman's examination given by a duly constituted Inside Construction Local Union of the I.B.E.W. or have been certified as a Journeyman Wireman by any Inside Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee.

GROUP III. All applicants for employment who have two or more years' experience in the trade; are residents of the geographical area constituting the normal construction labor market; and who have been employed for at least six months in the last three years in the geographic area covered by the collective bargaining agreement.

GROUP IV. All applicants for employment who have worked at the trade for more than one year.

Section 4.06. If the registration list is exhausted and the Local Union is unable to refer applicants for employment to the Employer within 48 hours from the time of receiving the Employer's request, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays excepted, the Employer shall be free to secure applicants without using the Referral Procedure but such applicants, if hired, shall have the status of "temporary employees".

Section 4.07. The Employer shall notify the Business Manager promptly of the names and Social Security numbers of such "temporary employees" and shall replace such "temporary employees" as soon as registered applicants for employment are available under the Referral Procedure.



Section 4.08. "Normal construction labor market" is defined to mean the following geographical area plus the commuting distance adjacent thereto which includes the area from which the normal labor supply is secured: in the State of Georgia - Banks, Barrow, Bartow, Butts, Carroll, Chattahoochee, Chattooga, Cherokee, Clarke, Clay, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, Dawson, DeKalb, Douglas, Elbert, Fayette, Floyd, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett, Habersham, Hall, Haralson, Harris, Heard, Henry, Jackson, Lumpkin, Madison, Marion, Meriwether, Morgan, Muscogee, Newton, Oconee, Oglethorpe, Paulding, Pickens, Pike, Polk, Quitman, Rockdale, Schley, Spalding, Stewart, Talbot, Taylor, Towns, Troup, Union, Walton, Webster, and White counties; in the State of Alabama - Barbour, Chambers, Lee and Russell counties,

The above geographical area is agreed upon by the parties to include the area defined by the Secretary of Labor to be the appropriate prevailing wage area under the Davis-Bacon Act to which the Agreement applies.

Section 4.09. "Resident" means a person who has maintained his permanent home in the above defined geographical area for a period of not less than one year or who, having had a permanent home in this area, has temporarily left with the intention of returning to this area as his permanent home.

Section 4.10. "Examination"- an "Examination" shall include experience rating tests if such examination shall have been given prior to the date of this procedure, but from and after the date of this procedure, shall include only written and/or practical examinations given by a duly constituted Inside Construction Local Union of the I.B.E.W. Reasonable intervals of time for examinations are specified as ninety (90) days. An applicant shall be eligible for examination if he has four years' experience in the trade.

Section 4.11. The Union shall maintain an "Out of Work List" which shall list the applicants within each Group in chronological order of the dates they register their availability for employment.

Section 4.12. An applicant who has registered on the "Out of Work List" must renew his application every thirty days or his name will be removed from the "List".

Section 4.13. An applicant who is hired and who receives, through no fault of his own, work of forty hours or less shall, upon re-registration, be restored to his appropriate place within his Group

Section 4.14. Employers shall advise the Business Manager of the Local Union of the number of applicants needed. The Business Manager shall refer applicants to the Employer by first referring applicants in GROUP I in the order of their place on the "Out of Work List" and then referring applicants in the same manner successively from the "Out of work List" in GROUP II, then GROUP III, and then GROUP IV. Any applicant who is rejected by the Employer shall be returned to his appropriate place within his GROUP and shall be referred to other employment in accordance with the position of his GROUP and his place within his GROUP.

Section 4.15. The only exceptions which shall be allowed in this order of referral are as follows:

(a) When the Employer states bona fide requirements for special skills and abilities in his request for applicants, the Business Manager shall refer the first applicant on the register possessing such skills and abilities.

(b) The age ratio clause in the Agreement calls for the employment of an additional employee or employees on the basis of age. Therefore, the Business Manager shall refer the first applicant on the register satisfying the applicable age requirements provided, however, that all names in higher priority GROUPS, if any, shall first be exhausted before such overage reference can be made.

Section 4.16. An Appeals Committee is hereby established composed of one member appointed by the Union, one member appointed by the Employer or by the Association, as the case may be and a Public Member appointed by both these members.



Section 4.17. It shall be the function of the Appeals Committee to consider any complaint of any employee or applicant for employment arising out of the administration by the Local Union of Sections 4.04 through 4.15 of the Agreement. The Appeals Committee shall have the power to make a final and binding decision on any such complaint which shall be complied with by the Local Union. The Appeals Committee is authorized to issue procedural rules for the conduct of its business but it is not authorized to add to, subtract from, or modify any of the provisions of this Agreement and its decisions shall be in accord with this Agreement.

Section 4.18. A representative of the Employer or of the Association, as the case may be, designated to the Union in writing, shall be permitted to inspect the Referral Procedure records at any time during normal business hours.

Section 4.19. A copy of the Referral Procedure set forth in this Agreement shall be posted on the Bulletin Board in the offices of the Local Union and in the offices of the Employers who are parties to this Agreement.

Section 4.20. Apprentices shall be hired and transferred in accordance with the Apprenticeship provisions of the Agreement between the parties.

Section 4.21. "When making reductions in the number of employees due to lack of work; Employers shall use the following procedure:

(a) Temporary employees, if any are employed, shall be laid off first. Then employees in GROUP IV shall be laid off next, if any are employed in this GROUP. Next to be laid off are employees in GROUP III, if any are employed in this GROUP, then those in GROUP II, and then those in GROUP I.

(b) Paragraph (a) will not apply as long as the special skills requirement as provided for in Section 4.15(a) is required.

(c) Supervisory employees covered by the terms of this Agreement will be excluded from layoff as long as they remain in a supervisory capacity. When they are reduced to the status of Journeyman, they will be slotted in the appropriate GROUP in paragraph (a) above."

Section 4.22. An applicant who is discharged for cause two times within a 12-month period shall be referred to the neutral member of the Appeals Committee for a determination as to the applicant's continued eligibility for referral. The neutral member of the Appeals Committee shall, within two weeks, review the qualifications of the applicant and the reasons for the discharges. The neutral member of the Appeals Committee may, in his or her sole discretion: (1) require the applicant to obtain further training from the JATC before again being eligible for referral; (2) disqualify the applicant for referral for a period of four weeks, or longer, depending on the seriousness of the conduct and/or repetitive nature of the conduct; (3) refer the applicant to an employee assistance program, if available, for evaluation and recommended action; or (4) restore the applicant to his/her appropriate place on the referral list.

## Article V Apprenticeship and Training

Section 5.01. There shall be a local Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee (JATC) consisting of a total of either 6 or 8 members who shall also serve as trustees to the local apprenticeship and training trust. An equal number of members (either 3 or 4) shall be appointed, in writing, by the local chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) and the local union of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW).

The local apprenticeship standards shall be in conformance with national guideline standards and industry policies to ensure that each apprentice has satisfactorily completed the NJATC required hours and course of study. All apprenticeship standards shall be registered with the NJATC before being submitted to the appropriate registration agency.

The JATC shall be responsible for the training of apprentices, journeymen, installers, technicians, and all others (unindentured, intermediate journeymen, etc.).

Section 5.02. All JATC member appointments, reappointment and acceptance of



appointments shall be in writing. Each member shall be appointed for a 3-year term, unless being appointed for a lesser period of time to complete an unexpired term. The terms shall be staggered, with one (1) term from each side expiring each year. JATC members shall complete their appointed term unless removed for cause by the party they represent or they voluntarily resign. All vacancies shall be filled immediately.

The JATC shall select from its membership, but not both from the same party, a Chairman and a Secretary who shall retain voting privileges. The JATC will maintain one (1) set of minutes for JATC committee meetings and a separate set of minutes for trust meetings.

The JATC should meet on a monthly basis, and also upon the call of the Chairman.

Section 5.03. Any issue concerning an apprentice or an apprenticeship matter shall be referred to the JATC for its review, evaluation and resolve, as per standards and policies. If the JATC deadlocks on any issue, the matter shall be referred to the Labor-Management Committee for resolution as outlined in Article One of this agreement, except for trust fund matters, which shall be resolved as stipulated in the local trust instrument.

Section 5.04. There shall be only one (1) JATC and one (1) local apprenticeship and training trust. The JATC may, however, establish joint subcommittees to meet specific needs, such as residential or telecommunications apprenticeship. The JATC may also establish a subcommittee to oversee an apprenticeship program within a specified area of the jurisdiction covered by this agreement. All subcommittee members shall be appointed, in writing, by the party they represent. A subcommittee member may or may not be a member of the JATC.

Section 5.05. The JATC may select and employ a part-time or a full-time Training Director and other support staff, as it deems necessary. In considering the qualifications, duties and responsibilities of the Training Director, the JATC should review the Training Director's Job Description provided by the NJATC. All employees of the JATC shall serve at the pleasure and discretion of the JATC.

Section 5.06. To help ensure diversity of training, provide reasonable continuous employment opportunities and comply with apprenticeship rules and regulations, the JATC, as the program sponsor, shall have full authority for issuing all job training assignments and for transferring apprentices from one employer to another. The employer shall cooperate in providing apprentices with needed work experiences. The local union referral office shall be notified, in writing, of all job training assignments. If the employer is unable to provide reasonable continuous employment for apprentices, the JATC is to be so notified.

Section 5.07. All apprentices shall enter the program through the JATC as provided for in the registered apprenticeship standards and selection procedures.

An apprentice may have their indenture canceled by the JATC at any time prior to completion as stipulated in the registered standards. Time worked and accumulated in apprenticeship shall not be considered for local union referral purposes until the apprentice has satisfied all conditions of apprenticeship. Individuals terminated from apprenticeship shall not be assigned to any job in any classification, or participate in any related training, unless they are reinstated in apprenticeship as per the standards, or they qualify through means other than apprenticeship, at some time in the future, but no sooner than two years after their class has completed apprenticeship, and they have gained related knowledge and job skills to warrant such classification.

Section 5.08. The JATC shall select and indenture a sufficient number of apprentices to meet local manpower needs. The JATC is authorized to indenture the number of apprentices necessary to meet the job site ratio as per Section 5.12.

Section 5.09. Though the JATC cannot guarantee any number of apprentices; if a qualified employer requests an apprentice, the JATC shall make every effort to honor the request. If unable to fill the request within ten (10) working days, the JATC shall select and indenture the next available person from the active list of qualified applicants. An active list of qualified applicants shall be maintained by the JATC as per the selection procedures.

Section 5.10. To accommodate short-term needs when apprentices are unavailable, the



JATC shall assign unindentured workers who meet the basic qualifications for apprenticeship. Unindentured workers shall not remain employed if apprentices become available for OJT assignment. Unindentured workers shall be used to meet job site ratios except on wage-and-hour (prevailing wage) job sites.

Before being employed, the unindentured person must sign a letter of understanding with the JATC and the employer agreeing that they are not to accumulate more than two thousand (2,000) hours as an unindentured, that they are subject to replacement by indentured apprentices and that they are not to work on wage-and-hour (prevailing wage) job sites.

Should an unindentured worker be selected for apprenticeship, the JATC will determine, as provided for in the apprenticeship standards, if some credit for hours worked as an unindentured will be applied toward the minimum OJT hours of apprenticeship.

The JATC may elect to offer voluntary related training to unindentured, such as Math Review, English, Safety, Orientation/Awareness, Introduction to OSHA, First-Aid and CPR. Participation shall be voluntary.

Section 5.11. The employer shall contribute to the local health and welfare plans and to the National Electrical Benefit Fund (NEBF) on behalf of all apprentices and unindentured. Contributions to other benefit plans may be addressed in other sections of this agreement.

Section 5.12 Each job site shall be allowed a ratio of two (2) apprentice(s) for every three (3) Journeyman Wiremen(man).

Number of Journeymen	Maximum Number of Apprentices/Unindentured
1 to 3	2
4 to 6	4
etc.	etc.

The first person assigned to any job site shall be a Journeyman Wireman.

A job site is considered to be the physical location where employees report for their work assignments. The employer's shop (service center) is considered to be a separate, single job site. All other physical locations where workers report for work are each considered to be a single, separate job site.

Section 5.13. An apprentice is to be under the supervision of a Journeyman Wireman at all times. This does not imply that the apprentice must always be in sight of a Journeyman Wireman. Journeymen are not required to constantly watch the apprentice. Supervision will not be of a nature that prevents the development of responsibility and initiative. Work may be laid out by the employer's designated supervisor or journeyman based on their evaluation of the apprentice's skills and ability to perform the job tasks. Apprentices shall be permitted to perform job tasks in order to develop job skills and trade competencies. Journeymen are permitted to leave the immediate work area without being accompanied by the apprentice

Apprentices who have satisfactorily completed the first four years of related classroom training using the NJATC curriculum and accumulated a minimum of 6,500 hours of OJT with satisfactory performance, shall be permitted to work alone on any job site and receive work assignments in the same manner as a Journeyman Wireman. An apprentice shall not be the first person assigned to a job site and apprentices shall not supervise the work of others.

Section 5.14. Upon satisfactory completion of apprenticeship, the JATC shall issue all graduating apprentices an appropriate diploma from the NJATC. The JATC shall encourage each graduating apprentice to apply for college credit through the NJATC. The JATC may also require each apprentice to acquire any electrical license required for journeymen to work in the jurisdiction covered by this agreement.

Section 5.15. The parties to this Agreement shall be bound by the Local Joint Apprenticeship and Training Trust Fund Agreement which shall conform to Section 3.02 of the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 as amended, ERISA and other applicable regulations.

The Trustees authorized under this Trust Agreement are hereby empowered to determine the



reasonable value of any facilities, materials or services furnished by either party. All funds shall be handled and disbursed in accordance with the Trust Agreement.

Section 5.16. All Employers subject to the terms of this Agreement shall contribute the amount of funds specified by the parties signatory to the local apprenticeship and training trust agreement. The current rate contribution is 1 percent of the gross monthly labor payroll. This sum shall be due the Trust Fund by the same date as is their payment to the NEBF under the terms of the Restated Employees Benefit Agreement and Trust.

## Article VI Fringe Benefits

Section 6.01. It is agreed that in accord with the Employees Benefit Agreement of the National Electrical Benefit Fund ("NEBF"), as entered into between the National Electrical Contractors Association and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers on September 3, 1946, as amended, and now delineated as the Restated Employees Benefit Agreement and Trust, that unless authorized otherwise by the NEBF the individual employer will forward monthly to the NEBF's designated local collection agent an amount equal to 3% of the gross monthly labor payroll paid to, or accrued by, the employees in this bargaining unit, and a completed payroll report prescribed by the NEBF. The payment shall be made by check or draft and shall constitute a debt due and owing to the NEBF on the last day of each calendar month, which may be recovered by suit initiated by the NEBF or its assignee. The payment and the payroll report shall be mailed to reach the office of the appropriate local collection agent not later than fifteen (15) calendar days following the end of each calendar month. The individual Employer hereby accepts, and agrees to be bound by, the Restated Employees Benefit Agreement and Trust.

An individual Employer who fails to remit as provided above shall be additionally subject to having his agreement terminated upon seventy-two (72) hours' notice in writing being served by the Union, provided the individual employer fails to show satisfactory proof that the required payments have been paid to the appropriate local collection agent.

The failure of an individual Employer to comply with the applicable provisions of the Restated Employees Benefit Agreement and Trust shall also constitute a breach of his labor agreement.

Section 6.02. Effective 09/4/23, the individual employer shall contribute and forward monthly to the designated local collection agent for IBEW Local 613 and Contributing Employers Family Health Plan and IBEW Local 613 and Contributing Employers Retiree Health Plan an amount equal to the percentage shown in Table 1 below of his gross labor payroll, plus any additional amounts as designated by any memorandum between the parties, which he is obligated to pay to the employees in this bargaining unit, and a completed payroll report prescribed by the Trustees. The individual employer shall also be authorized and required to deduct from his bargaining unit employees' wages, and forward monthly to the IBEW Local 613 and Contributing Employers Family Health Plan's designated collection agent, an amount equal to the percentage shown in Table 2 below of their gross monthly wages. The payment and payroll report shall be mailed to reach the Trustees or their designated agent not later than fifteen (15) calendar days following the end of each calendar month. Gross labor payroll and gross monthly wages shall be defined as wages paid for all hours worked.

Table 1. Employer Contribution as Percentage of Gross Labor Payroll

Effective	Family Health Plan %	Retiree Health Plan %	Total Contribution %
09/4/2023	17.5%	0.5%	18%

Table 2. Employee Deduction as Percentage of Employee's Gross Monthly Wages



<b>Effective</b>	<b>Family Health Plan %</b>	<b>Retiree Health Plan %</b>	<b>Total Contribution %</b>
<b>09/04/2023</b>	2%	0%	2%

Table 1. Employer Contribution as Percentage of Gross Labor Payroll

<b>Effective</b>	<b>Family Health Plan %</b>	<b>Retiree Health Plan %</b>	<b>Total Contribution %</b>
<b>09/7/2026</b>	18.5%	0.5%	19%

Table 2. Employee Deduction as Percentage of Employee's Gross Monthly Wages

<b>Effective</b>	<b>Family Health Plan %</b>	<b>Retiree Health Plan %</b>	<b>Total Contribution %</b>
<b>09/06/2026</b>	0%	0%	0%

Section 6.03. The individual employer shall contribute and forward monthly to the Local Union 613 Pension Trust Fund's designated local collection agent an amount equal to:

- (a) Eleven percent (11%) of his gross monthly labor payroll paid to the following employee classifications: all Journeyman Wireman (and above);  
Effective September 1, 2025

- (a) Twelve percent (12%) of his gross monthly labor payroll paid to the following employee classifications: all Journeyman Wireman (and above);
- (b) five percent (5 %) of his gross monthly labor payroll paid to the following employee classification: fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) and fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) year Apprentice Wiremen.

Attached to said payment shall be a completed payroll report prescribed by the trustees. The payment and payroll report shall be mailed to reach the trustees or their designated agent not later than fifteen (15) calendar days following the end of each calendar month. Gross labor payroll shall be defined as wages paid for all hours worked.

Section 6.04. (a) Individual employers who fail to remit as provided in Sections 6.02 and 6.03 shall be additionally subject to having this agreement terminated upon seventy-two (72) hours' notice, in writing, being served by the union, provided the individual employer fails to show satisfactory proof that the required payments have been made. If, as a result of violations of this section, it is necessary for the union and/or the trustees of the joint trust funds to institute court action to enforce an award rendered in accordance with subsection 6.04 (b) or to defend an action which seeks to vacate such award, the employer shall pay any accountants' and attorneys' fees incurred by the union and/or fund trustees, plus cost of the litigation, which have resulted from the bringing of such court action. In the sole discretion of the Trustees of the Benefit Funds, the employer shall be required to bear the cost of any audit performed on the employer, conducted at any time, on behalf of the Funds. Pervasive reporting errors and/or a perceived lack of cooperation with the Fund Auditors will result in the Contractor being billed for the full cost of the audit.

(b) If fringe benefit fund payments are not received by the fifteenth (15th) of the month plus sixteen (16) calendar days, they shall be deemed delinquent.

(c) Any employer who becomes delinquent and any new employer signing a Letter of Assent are required to provide a bond or cash in favor of IBEW Local 613 and its fringe benefit trust funds, in the amount herein set forth, for payment of fringe benefits provided by this Agreement and to maintain same for a period of twenty-four (24) months from the Letter of Assent or date of last delinquency. The value of the bond or amount of cash deposit shall be as follows:



Effective January 1, 2024, the value of bond or cash deposit shall be as follows:

Number of Bargaining Employees	Value of the Bond* or Cash Dep
0-2	\$8,000.00
3-5	\$20,000.00
6-10	\$40,000.00
11-15	\$60,000.00
16-more	\$4,000.00 per Bargaining Employee

\* Surety Bonds must be in a form approved by the Trustees and issued by a Surety Company licensed to do business in the State of Georgia with an AM Best Company financial rating of (A-) or better.

(d) The Union shall not refer applicants to any Employer who fails to provide the required bond.

(e) If required to provide a bond, Employers are encouraged to do so in amounts adequate to secure the maximum level of employees required. Employers with inadequate bonds will not have additional applicants referred to them until the appropriate bond is provided as required by the schedule contained in subsection (c).

(f) Employers who fail to comply with the provisions of this Section shall be subject to such additional remedies as may be determined by the Labor-Management Committee.

(g) The Trustees are hereby authorized to waive or modify the above requirements for good cause shown.

(h) The Union shall send the Chapter a copy of the bond upon receipt.

## Article VII Industry Fund

Section 7.01. Each individual Employer shall contribute an amount not to exceed one percent (1%) nor less than .2 of 1% of the productive electrical payroll as determined by each local Chapter and approved by the Trustees, with the following exclusions:

1. Twenty-five percent (25%) of all productive electrical payroll in excess of 75,000-man hours paid for electrical work in any one Chapter area during any one calendar year but not exceeding 150,000-man hours.

2. One Hundred percent (100%) of all productive electrical payroll in excess of 150,000-man hours paid for electrical work in any one Chapter area during any one calendar year.

(Productive electrical payroll is defined as the total wages including overtime paid with respect to all hours worked by all classes of electrical labor for which a rate is established in the prevailing labor area where the business is transacted.)

Payment shall be forwarded monthly to the National Electrical Industry Fund in a form and manner prescribed by the Trustees no later than fifteen (15) calendar days following the last day of the month in which the labor was performed. Failure to do so will be considered a breach of this Agreement on the part of the individual Employer.



Article VIII  
Credit Union

Section 8.01. The employee may elect after 30 days of employment to have money withheld from their paycheck. The employer shall submit withholding at the same time benefits are due per Article VI Section 6.04. The employee may make changes to the election no more than one (1) time each ninety (90) day period.

Article IX  
National Labor-Management Cooperation Fund

"The parties agree to participate in the NECA-IBEW National Labor-Management Cooperation Fund, under authority of Section 6(b) of the Labor-Management Cooperation Act of 1978, 29 U.S.C. 175(a) and Section 302(c)(9) of the Labor-Management Relations Act, 29 U.S.C. 186(c)(9). The purposes of this Fund include the following:

- (1) to improve communication between representatives of labor and management;
- (2) to provide workers and employers with opportunities to study and explore new and innovative joint approaches to achieving organizational effectiveness;
- (3) to assist workers and employers in solving problems of mutual concern not susceptible to resolution within the collective bargaining process;
- (4) to study and explore ways of eliminating potential problems which reduce the competitiveness and inhibit the economic development of the electrical construction industry;
- (5) to sponsor programs which improve job security, enhance economic and community development, and promote the general welfare of the community and the industry;
- (6) to encourage and support the initiation and operation of similarly constituted local labor-management cooperation committees;
- (7) to engage in research and development programs concerning various aspects of the industry, including, but not limited to, new technologies, occupational safety and health, labor relations, and new methods of improved production;
- (8) to engage in public education and other programs to expand the economic development of the electrical construction industry;
- (9) to enhance the involvement of workers in making decisions that affect their working lives; and
- (10) to engage in any other lawful activities incidental or related to the accomplishments of these purposes and goals.

The Fund shall function in accordance with, and as provided in, its Agreement and Declaration of Trust, and any amendments thereto and any other of its governing documents. Each Employer hereby accepts, agrees to be bound by, and shall be entitled to participate in the NLMCC, as provided in said Agreement and Declaration of Trust.

The NLMCC will take effect January 1, 1999.

Each employer shall contribute one cent (\$.01) per hour worked under this Agreement up to a maximum of 150,000 hours per year. Payment shall be forwarded monthly, in a form and manner prescribed by the Trustees, no later than fifteen (15) calendar days following the last day of the month in which the labor was performed. The Atlanta Chapter, NECA, or its designee, shall be the collection agent for this Fund.

If an Employer fails to make the required contributions to the Fund, the Trustees shall have the right to take whatever steps are necessary to secure compliance. In the event the Employer is in default, the Employer shall be liable for a sum equal to 15% of the delinquent payment, but not less than the sum of twenty (\$20), for each month payment of contributions is delinquent to the Fund, such amount being liquidated damages, and not a penalty, reflecting the reasonable damages incurred by the Fund due to the delinquency of the payments. Such amount shall be added to and become a part of the contributions due and payable, and the whole amount due shall bear interest at



the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum until paid. The Employer shall also be liable for all costs of collecting the payment together with attorneys' fees.

## Article X Working Dues Check Off

Section 10.01(a). The Employer agrees to deduct and forward to the Financial Secretary of the Local Union, upon receipt of a voluntary written authorization, the additional working dues from the pay of each IBEW member. The amount to be deducted shall be the percentage amount specified in the approved Local Union bylaws. Such amount shall be certified to the Employer by the Local Union upon request by the Employer.

(b) All such deductions shall be mailed once per month, along with a suitable payroll report showing the deductions for each employee, to reach the Board 13 Collection Account Trust not later than 15 calendar days following the end of the month.

The Union agrees to save the Employer, the Chapter and the Board 13 Collection Account Trust harmless from any action growing out of these deductions and commenced by any employee against them and assumes full responsibility for the disposition of the funds so deducted once they have been turned over to the Financial Secretary of the Union. Collection of these working dues is the exclusive responsibility of the Union.

## Article XI Local 613 PAC

The Employer agrees to deduct and transmit to Financial Secretary of the Local Union an amount of \$.05 per hour from the wages of each employee who voluntarily authorizes such contributions on the forms provided for that purpose by Local 613. These transmittals shall occur monthly and shall be accompanied by a list of the names of those employees for whom such deductions have been made and the amount deducted for each such employee. The Union agrees to save the Employer and the Chapter harmless from any action growing out of these deductions and commenced by any employee against them and assumes full responsibility for the disposition of the funds so deducted once they have been turned over to the Financial Secretary of the Union. Collection of these contributions is the exclusive responsibility of the Union.

## Article XII Administrative Maintenance Fund

Section 12.01. There is hereby established an Administrative Maintenance Fund. Payment shall constitute a debt due and owing to the Administrative Maintenance Fund on the last day of each calendar month and shall be mailed with the appropriate payroll report to reach the office of the Administrative Maintenance Fund no later than fifteen (15) days following the end of each calendar month. It is understood and agreed that the failure of any employer to pay the proper amounts to the Administrative Maintenance Fund as required shall constitute a breach of the current working Agreement. The Administrative Maintenance Fund is administered solely by the Chapter and not the Local Union. Collection of the Administrative Maintenance Fund contribution is the exclusive responsibility of the Chapter.

Section 12.02. Employers shall contribute 4 cents (\$.04) per hour for each hour actually worked including premium and/or overtime hours, for all employees covered by this Agreement, to the Administrative Maintenance Fund, up to a maximum of 150,000 hours per year. These moneys and any investment income earned thereon are for the purpose of administering this Agreement, negotiating this Agreement, handling grievances and all other management duties and responsibilities in this Agreement.



Section 12.03. The Administrative Maintenance Fund shall not be responsible for the enforcement of payments required under this Agreement, except for the \$.04 contribution to the Administrative Maintenance Fund. Responsibility for the enforcement of payment of all moneys, except for Administrative Maintenance Fund contributions, shall remain with the respective Funds, the Local Union and the Chapter as the case may be.

Section 12.04. No part of the funds collected hereunder shall be used for any purpose which is held to be in conflict with the interests of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and its Local Union.

### Article XIII Georgia Electrical Industry Receiving Fund

Section 13.01. There is hereby established a one check payment on all Trust Funds, as well as NEBF, Joint Apprenticeship and Training Trust Fund, National Labor-Management Cooperative Committee Fund, IBEW assessment, NECA dues and service charges where applicable, the Administrative Maintenance Fund and any other payment required to be made pursuant to this Agreement or any Memorandum to this Agreement. Payments due and owing to all said Funds shall be made to a Receiving Trust Fund as provided in the Receiving Trust Fund Agreement. This Receiving Trust Fund shall be known as the Board 13 Collection Account Trust and shall act as the designated local collection agent for all said Funds. Payment shall constitute a debt due and owing to the Board 13 Collection Account Trust on the last day of each calendar month and shall be mailed with the appropriate payroll report to reach the office of the Board 13 Collection Account Trust no later than fifteen (15) days following the end of each calendar month. It is understood and agreed that the failure of any employer to pay the proper amounts to the Electrical Industry Receiving Trust Fund as required shall constitute a breach of the current working Agreement. Consistent with the Receiving Trust Fund Agreement, this fund is administered solely by employer trustees.

Section 13.03. Moneys received by the Receiving Trust Fund will be paid to the respective Trust Funds to include the Joint Apprenticeship and Training Trust Fund, the Local Union 613 Family Health Plan and Retiree Plan, Local Union 613 Pension Trust Fund, NEBF, the Administrative Maintenance Fund and National Labor-Management Cooperative Committee Fund in accordance with the schedule of the Trust Fund contributions covered under the Agreement; to the Local Union for the amount of assessments; to the NECA chapter for dues and service charges owed by NECA members, and to any other recipients or funds the payment to which is required to be made pursuant to this Agreement or any Memorandum to this Agreement.

Section 13.04. The Receiving Fund shall not be responsible for the enforcement of payments required under this agreement. Responsibility for the enforcement of payment of all moneys, shall remain with the respective funds, the Local Union and the Chapter as the case may be.

Section 13.05. An annual audit/review shall be conducted of the Receiving Fund. A copy of the audit shall be made available to the Local Union or any participating employer upon request.

Section 13.06. No part of the funds collected under the Fund shall be used for any purpose which is held to be in conflict with the interests of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and its Local Union.

### Article XIV Local Labor-Management Cooperation Committee (LMCC)

Section 14.01. The parties agree to participate in a Labor-Management Cooperation Fund, under authority of Section 6(b) of the Labor Management Cooperation Act of 1978, 29 U.S.C.



§175(a) and Section 302(c)(9) of the Labor Management Relations Act, 29 U.S.C. §186(c)(9).

The purposes of this Fund include the following:

- 1) to improve communications between representatives of Labor and Management;
- 2) to provide workers and employers with opportunities to study and explore new and innovative joint approaches to achieving organizational effectiveness;
- 3) to assist workers and employers in solving problems of mutual concern not susceptible to resolution within the collective bargaining process;
- 4) to study and explore ways of eliminating potential problems which reduce the competitiveness and inhibit the economic development of the electrical construction industry;
- 5) to sponsor programs which improve job security, enhance economic and community development, and promote the general welfare of the community and industry;
- 6) to engage in research and development programs concerning various aspects of the industry, including, but not limited to, new technologies, occupational safety and health, labor relations, and new methods of improved production;
- 7) to engage in public education and other programs to expand the economic development of the electrical construction industry;
- 8) to enhance the involvement of workers in making decisions that affect their working lives; and,
- 9) to engage in any other lawful activities incidental or related to the accomplishment of these purposes and goals.

Section 14.02. The Fund shall function in accordance with, and as provided in, its Agreement and Declaration of Trust and any amendments thereto and any other of its governing documents. Each Employer hereby accepts, agrees to be bound by, and shall be entitled to participate in the LMCC, as provided in said Agreement and Declaration of Trust.

Section 14.03. Each employer shall contribute zero cents (\$0.00). Payment shall be forwarded monthly, in a form and manner prescribed by the Trustees, no later than fifteen (15) calendar days following the last day of the month in which the labor was performed. The Atlanta Chapter, NECA, or its designee, shall be the collection agent for this Fund.

Section 14.04. If an Employer fails to make the required contributions to the Fund, the Trustees shall have the right to take whatever steps are necessary to secure compliance. In the event the Employer is in default, the Employer shall be liable for a sum equal to 15% of the delinquent payment, but not less than the sum of twenty dollars (\$20), for each month payment of contributions is delinquent to the Fund, such amount being liquidated damages, and not a penalty, reflecting the reasonable damages incurred by the Fund due to the delinquency of the payments. Such amount shall be added to and become a part of the contributions due and payable, and the whole amount due shall bear interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum until paid. The Employer shall also be liable for all costs of collecting the payment together with attorneys' fees.

## Article XV Substance Abuse

Section 15.01. The dangers and costs that alcohol and other chemical abuses can create in the electrical contracting industry in terms of safety and productivity are significant. The parties to this Agreement resolve to combat chemical abuse in any form and agree that, to be effective, programs to eliminate substance abuse and impairment should contain a strong rehabilitation component. The local parties recognize that the implementation of a drug and alcohol policy and program must be subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Such policies and programs must also be administered in accordance with accepted scientific principles, and must incorporate procedural safeguards to ensure fairness in application and protection of legitimate interests of privacy and confidentiality. To provide a drug-free workforce for the Electrical Construction Industry, each IBEW local union and NECA chapter shall implement an area-wide Substance Abuse Testing Policy. The policy shall include minimum standards as required by the IBEW and NECA. Should any of the required minimum standards fail to



comply with federal, state, and/or local laws and regulations, they shall be modified by the local union and chapter to meet the requirements of those laws and regulations.

## ARTICLE XVI

### Code of Excellence

Section 16.01. The parties to this Agreement recognize that to meet the needs of our customers, both employer and employee must meet the highest levels of performance, professionalism, and productivity. The Code of Excellence has proven to be a vital element in meeting the customers' expectations. Therefore, each IBEW local union and NECA chapter shall implement a Code of Excellence Program. The program shall include minimum standards as designed by the IBEW and NECA.

### Separability Clause

Should any provision of this Agreement be declared illegal by any court of competent jurisdiction, such provisions shall immediately become null and void, leaving the remainder of the Agreement in full force and effect and the parties shall, thereupon, seek to negotiate substitute provisions which are in conformity with the applicable laws.

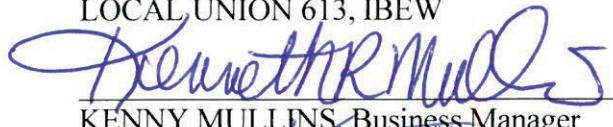
IN WITNESS WHEREOF: The parties hereto have each executed their signatures by their duly authorized officers as of the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.


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CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION,  
ATLANTA CHAPTER NECA, INC.

  
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