

News release
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Farmstead Wiring Classes Scheduled

MADISON, WI Electricians, electrical inspectors and others working on farm electrical needs may want to attend upcoming classes offered by Wisconsin Technical Colleges. These classes are part of the Wisconsin Farmstead Rewiring Program that is cosponsored by the Wisconsin Public Service Commission, Wisconsin Department of Commerce, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture and Consumer Protection, Wisconsin Technical College System and electric utilities.

Attendees will receive continuing credits from the technical college district and continuing education units from the Department of Commerce. These classes are being supported by public utilities and electric cooperatives at no cost to the electrician. Pre registration is required through the local host at least one week prior to the class.

There are two different classes being offered across state. One is a six hour refresher class for electricians to renew their Farmstead Rewiring Certification. These classes are similar to the classes conducted last year across the state. The class will cover revisions to the national and state electric codes that apply to farm situations, farm lighting, variable speed drives and interconnection with renewable energy sources. The class runs from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. with a meal included.

The second series of classes is an update class on farmstead rewiring. Topics include farm customer service, farm service disconnects, farm wiring inspections, code revisions and lessons learned. These classes begin at 4:00 p.m. and concluded at 8:30 p.m.

Schedule of Refresher Classes

Date	Location	Host
January 16, 2007	Willy Wire Hand Room, Riverland Electric Cooperative, N28988 State Road 93 Arcadia	Aaron Torud Riverland Electric Cooperative 608-323-3381 atorud@riverlandenergy.com
January 18, 2007	Rooms 223 and 225, Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College Campus 1900 College Drive, Rice Lake	Mike Paffel Xcel Energies 715-236-5713 Michael.d.paffel@xcelenergy.com

Schedule of Update Classes

Date	Location	Host
November 29, 2006	Chandler Dining & Spirits 1050 Branger Street Mineral Point, WI 53565 (608) 987-5416	Mike Hoppenjan Alliant Energy 608-987-4204 michaelhoppenjan@alliantenergy.com
December 12,	Monroe Alliant Energy Office	Paul Proctor

2006	1915 State Road 69S, Monroe	Alliant Energy 608-328-5346 PaulProctor@alliantenergy.com
December 14, 2006	Holiday Inn Express, 3100 Wellington Place, Janesville	Paul Proctor Alliant Energy 608-328-5346 PaulProctor@alliantenergy.com
January 9, 2007	Western Wisconsin Technical College, 1000 College Avenue, Mauston	Robert J. Fick Alliant Energy 608.742.0838 robertfick@alliantenergy.com
January 10, 2007	Moraine Park Technical College, Rooms A102 & A103, 235 N. National Avenue, Fond du Lac	Brian Costello Alliant Energy 920-322-6638 briancostello@alliantenergy.com
January 15, 2007	Western Wisconsin Technical College, Sparta Campus, 11177 County Road A, Sparta	Roger O'Neil Xcel Energies 608-269-0168 x16 roger.j.oneil@xcelenergy.com
January 24, 2007	Madison Area Technical College Watertown Campus 1300 W. Main St, Watertown	Susan Crane WE Energies (262) 763-1059 susan.crane@we-energies.com
January 17, 2007	Chippewa Valley Technical College, 770 Scheidler Road, Chippewa Falls	Chuck Smith Xcel Energies 715-836-1078 charles.a.smith@xcelenergy.com
January 31, 2007	Westwood Conference Center 1800 W Bridge St Wausau	Corey Kuchta Wis Public Service Corp. 920-433-2913 cjkuchta@wpsr.com
February 1, 2007	Stadium View, 1963 Holmgren Way, Green Bay	Corey Kuchta Wis Public Service Corp. 920-433-2913 cjkuchta@wpsr.com

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