

Subject: Re. Confusion on CALCTP-AT; IMPORTANT INFO.

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Dear IBEW-NECA Colleagues;

Recently, a number of calls and emails have come in asking questions about acceptance testing and certification. It would be very much appreciated if you could help provide some important information and clear up confusion by assisting in two ways:

1. Please read the seven points below.
2. Please pass on this email to your staff, your members, and your colleagues.

Many thanks for your kind assistance.

If you have questions or need help, please contact Chris Smith (csmith@calmcc.org), or me.

Bernie

IMPORTANT Acceptance Testing Training and Certification Information

1. CALCTP is a lighting controls, industry-wide, organization which is administrated by a third party, ICF International. The CA LMCC is one of many CALCTP member organizations.
2. There are now two distinct branches of CALCTP, each of which is involved with a different element of training and certification:
 - The original, and ongoing, Installer training (call it CALCTP-I) which has two sections:
 - Electrician technical training and certification (50 hours) to install and maintain

advanced lighting control systems.

- Contractor training and certification which has two requirements: i) A one day business development class for owners and/or upper management, and ...
- ii) A 10 hour lecture class (called the Systems Course) for middle management. Both of these are required for a contractor to be CALCTP-I certified.

➤ The new Acceptance Testing (AT) training and certification, or CALCTP-AT, which is not for installation but for CA State government (New Title 24) required testing of lighting controls. CALCTP-AT has two parts:

- Field tester training and cert. which for a limited time is 16 hours if the candidate already holds the CALCTP installer cert.
- Contractor training and cert., which is a 6 hour course including the exam.

Contractors must meet two requirements to self-perform lighting control acceptance testing, or to test other contractor's installations after Jan.1, 2013:

- i) Hold a CALCTP-AT contractor certification, and ...
- ii) Use a CALCTP-AT certified field tester to do the testing.

3. The CALCTP Business Development Course was/is for installation, not for testing.

4. Becoming a CALCTP-I certified contractor is different and separate from a CALCTP-AT certified contractor (as outlined above).

5. Currently CALCTP is the only training and certification organization authorized by the state to train and certify lighting controls acceptance test contractors or field testers for the new 2013 code. (This may change in the future.)

6. As noted earlier, certifications for contractors and electricians, whether AT, or Installation, are issued, recorded and maintained by ICF International. Certified CALCTP-I contractors are listed at www.CALCTP.org so that utilities, state agencies and customers can quickly determine accurate certification status. CALCTP electricians are not listed publicly for installation work. If a contractor believes that their company has met the "I" requirements, and is not listed, please contact Mark Ouellette, at ICF (mark.ouellette@icfi.com)

7. CALCTP-AT certification holders will also be listed on the CALCTP website. That process has just started and is not quite there yet. Please check the site in a week or two.

Thank you.

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