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TO: LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERMIT / ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

FROM: JOHN BARKER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

This memo is to advise you of the regulations regarding Landscape Irrigation Contractors with a Water Supply Protection Specialist endorsement. Please reference the following law:

La. R.S. 3: 3808 (P) 4

Landscape irrigation contractors shall be subject to the following provisions:

- (1.) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, a landscape irrigation contractor's license authorizes the holder to construct, install, connect, repair maintain, improve, or alter any portion of a landscape irrigation system, including the required wiring within that system, and to install and connect the landscape irrigation system to the required power supply and to a public or private water supply system.
- (2.) For license renewal, each landscape irrigation contractor shall obtain continuing training as determined by rule of the commission.
- (3.) He shall request and be issued any necessary permits from any governing authority.
- (4.) Prior to connecting to a public or private water supply system, a licensed landscape irrigation contractor shall obtain a water supply protection specialist endorsement from the State Plumbing Board. The State Plumbing Board shall issue a special endorsement of a water supply protection specialist to any licensed landscape irrigation contractor who completes the training required by the State Plumbing Board as provided for in R.S. 37:1368 (H)(1); however, neither a journeyman plumber's license nor a master plumber's license shall be required.
- (5.) Backflow prevention devices shall be installed in accordance with the provisions of Part XIV of the Louisiana State Sanitary Code by a person holding a water supply protection specialist endorsement.
- (6.) Nothing in this Subsection shall permit any licensed landscape irrigation contractor to perform any electrical or plumbing services not provided for in this Subsection, for which a license is required from any other regulatory board. Nothing in this Subsection shall prohibit a licensed electrician or plumber from providing electrical or plumbing services necessary to make or keep an irrigation system operational.

If you have any questions, please call Juanita at (504) 826 - 2382.

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