RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

CONTRACTORS' REGISTRATION & LICENSING BOARD

Title of Rule: Licensing of Underground Utility Contractors

Rule Identifier: 440-RICR-10-00-3

Rulemaking Action: Proposed Amendment

Important Dates:
Date of Public Notice: 08/31/2018
End of Public Comment: 09/30/2018

Authority for this Rulemaking:
R.I.G.L. § 5-65.3-1 et seq

Summary of Rulemaking Action:
The following regulation was reformatted and reorganized to comply with the Administrative Procedures Act and Secretary of State's formatting requirements. In the past, separate rules and regulations existed for each discipline that the Board governs. The result was voluminous, stand-alone rules and regulations for each discipline that contained repetitive information. In this regulation, shared information that applies to all disciplines (including administration, general definitions, claims, violations, and education) appears once, and repetitive and non-regulatory information has been removed.

Below is a summary of non-technical changes between the current and proposed regulation:

o Part 3.4.2 and 3.4.9- Corporate License

• Term "Corporate" replaced with "Firm" in effort to encompass all business types covered by reg. Agency would request that term be changed to "Business Entity License" to properly effectuate this intent.

o Part 3.8 - License Cards
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Additional Information and Comments:

All interested parties are invited to request additional information or submit written or oral comments concerning the proposed amendment until September 30, 2018 by contacting the appropriate party at the address listed below:

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In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.8, an oral hearing will be granted if requested by twenty-five (25) persons, by an agency or by an association having at least twenty-five (25) members. A request for an oral hearing must be made within thirty (30) days of this notice.

Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:
This regulation imposes no societal cost or cost of compliance and provides the benefit of providing a structure to uniformly regulate underground utility work in the State of Rhode Island and provides a cost effective claim process to resolve consumer and contractor disputes. For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation see agency contact person above.

In the development of the proposed **amendment** consideration was given to: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based upon available information.

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