

PITTELECTRIC NEWS

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WORDS TO LIVE

BY:

Lamentations 3:21-25

21-This I recall to my mind, therefore I have hope.

22-It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not.

23- They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.

24- The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.

25- The Lord is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him.

MESSAGE FROM THE

CEO:

Thank God for his blessings on his company Pitt Electric, Inc. and I'm trusting him to continue to make ways and provide for all of our needs.

Thanks all of you who are having to travel more these days. We have no choice but to go where the work is. Please coordinate with fellow workers to truck pool so we can save vehicle expense where possible.

We are currently expanding our service department. Those working in the service department will be required to wear uniforms. The company will pay for uniforms. The cleaning of uniforms will be the employee's responsibility.

Any company employee can get uniforms but it is only mandatory in the service department. However, each employee is expected to present a professional appearance – no torn clothing or t-shirts with bad language , ect.

Those of you who expressed interest in uniforms will be contacted shortly to get the required sizes.

It takes all of us to be successful. Thanks for all your hard work.

JB

Our Purpose:

Provide a needed service & finished product profitably and with integrity that will benefit all.

Our Mission:

Provide quality electrical installations through our broad experience, dependability and willingness to accomplish what we promise.



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Safety News

From the desk of Phil Pipher

Prevent Eye Injuries and Save Your Sight

How many people do you think would say, "I've got two eyes—I can afford to lose one"? Nobody in their right mind! And yet, how many of workers right this minute could be taking the risk of losing an eye in a job accident? Maybe more than you'd like to think.

Why It Matters...

It's been estimated that 2,000 eye injuries occur in the workplace every day. In 10 percent to 20 percent of those injuries, the person loses some or all sight in one or both eyes. Safety experts say that 90 percent of all eye injuries can be prevented.

The "Big Three" reasons for eye injuries on the job.

1. Not being aware of potential eye hazards;
2. Not using eye protection; *and*
3. Using the wrong type of eye protection for the hazard.

That means that your employees can avoid most eye injuries simply by:

- Watching out for eye hazards;
- Taking the right precautions while they work; *and*
- Always wearing the right kind of eye protection.

The right type of protection makes all the difference. It's essential for employees to select the right type of eyewear to protect their eyes against the maximum level of potential hazard. For example:

- *Flying fragments, objects, chips, or particles*—Safety glasses with side shields or goggles with side shields, and for extra protection, a face shield over the safety glasses or goggles
- *Chemical splashes*—safety goggles and a face shield for extra protection
- *Dust, fumes, mists, gases, and vapors*—Offset ventilated safety goggles worn with a face shield
- *Hot sparks or splashes*—Goggles or safety glasses with side shields and a face shield
- *Radiant energy*—Goggles with special lenses to filter out the harmful light

But don't stop there! There's more employees can do to prevent eye injuries. Make sure they take these other precautions as well:

- Obey all warning signs requiring eye protection.
- Always put on protective eyewear before entering an area where hazards may be present.
- When in doubt, assume that eye hazards are present.
- If you're not sure what the correct type of eye protection is in a particular situation, ask your supervisor before you begin to work.

Making the most of your eye protection. To offer maximum protection safety, eyewear must fit well and be in good condition.

- **Proper fit.** Eye protection is only as good as it fits. Poor fit is not only uncomfortable, but it also defeats the purpose of wearing the protection to keep objects, vapors, splashes, etc., away from the eyes. Make sure eye protection fits snugly enough to keep out hazards, but comfortably enough to see and move around easily. To get a good fit with safety goggles, adjust the strap and place it low on the back of the head. Goggles should fit comfortably on the bridge of the nose, and the center of the lens should be in front of the eye.
- **Inspection.** Inspect eye protection before each use, checking for bent or damaged frames, scratched or pitted lenses, and loose or damaged headbands. Replace any damaged equipment right away.
- **Care and maintenance.** After each wearing, wash eye protection gently in warm soapy water, rinse thoroughly, and air-dry. After chemical exposure or before use by another employee, use a disinfectant to clean eye protection. Store eye protection in a clean dust-proof case.

Field Notes

From the desk of Mike McCormick

Per 300.15

There seems to be some confusion concerning the NEC when a change is made in the raceway or cable from one type to another. This is one instance where the code and common sense doesn't match up. Per 300.15 a box or conduit body must be installed where wiring methods change. We are accustom to installing GRC couplings to make this transition but must change our mindset and install a junction box or conduit body (L.B., Tee, Cee, etc.) to comply with article 300. If you have any questions feel free to contact me on this situation or any other .

