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Dear Contractor,

This has and will always be a valued partnership between Local 130 and you, the Contractor. History has shown that the civic improvements are for the betterment of communities and for residents' quality of life. To achieve these improvements, as your Business Manager, I have been pushing this endeavor to work together comprehensively with a common sense approach. My commitment to the members of 130 and contractors, is that Local 130 supplies the most skilled and qualified trained workforce. We are making a concerted effort in our Apprentice Program and we are committed to providing our contractor base with the talent needed to better service your manpower.

Further, we have been hosting weekly Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR) workshops. These classes highlight the various LSLR Programs within our Jurisdiction. Local 130 has been undergoing significant changes to our training curriculum at the Chicago Training Center. As the pilot program has shown great success, we are now expanding to replicate the same training at both our Joliet and Volo Training Centers in the near future. Our Business Agents and Organizers that are directly involved have seen progress and are grateful to our contractors for working towards compliance with our CBA.

Our Journeymen and Apprentices will succeed if the investment is made both in the training and in the first-hand experience your Union Shop can provide. The reality is that there is **25-30** years of work in this arena. For that aforementioned reason, our JAC now teaches our students to replicate a full LSLR replacement from a live water main into a house. JAC Training Director, Anthony Rottman and our JAC Staff implemented a new curriculum being taught to our Apprentices that currently is training them to perform this work at a high level. Furthermore, this has carried over to our current Journeymen, who likewise are getting refresher training through weekly Tuesday and Thursday night courses. This in turn, has been expanded to include a 4-hr Continuing Education Course that allows our Journeymen to have accredited training for license updates.

We are extending an invitation for you to attend an Open House in our JAC Training Center at 1400 W. Washington Blvd. The expo will show the updates throughout the school as well as a chance for some Q. & A. with our instructors. If you have never seen the Training Center, now is the time!

The date for the Open House is <u>October 16th, at 11 am</u> with Luncheon to follow. Please RSVP to Wilma Negron at (312) 421-1028 at extension 753 or by email to wnegron@jac130.org or scan the QR Code below.

Respectfully yours,

James F. Coyne
Business Manager

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