

March 24, 2008

Mr. David Schornack, Village Administrator
Village of Germantown (Washington County)
PO Box 337
Germantown, WI 53022-0337

Dear Mr. Schornack:

I am pleased to inform you that the Village of Germantown has been delegated an appointed agent in accordance with Wisconsin Administrative Code Comm 61.61 for commercial building code enforcement. Your municipality will have primary responsibility for review of minor alterations to commercial buildings and authorization per s. 101.12(3)(g), Wis Stats., to do inspections only of all size buildings in lieu of the department. Your municipality enforces the current editions of the Wisconsin Commercial Building Code Comm 60 – 66, and Buildings Constructed Prior to 1914 Comm 75-79.

Your municipality has also been delegated the responsibility for inspecting all commercial buildings located within the Village of Germantown. An exception to the above is that our agency retains jurisdiction for plan review and inspection authority for all state-owned buildings.

Your municipality shall follow the plan examination and inspection procedures under Comm 61 subchapter III and Comm 61.41. Municipalities may refer more complex projects to our agency as needed. We will periodically monitor your municipality or request activity reports to ensure that our delegated responsibilities are being properly fulfilled by the municipality. A certified municipality may waive its jurisdiction for the plan review of a specific project or types of projects, or components thereof, in which case plans and specifications shall be submitted to the department for review and approval.

I understand that Ken Voigt will be responsible for plan review and inspections and has the proper certification to do so. We do require that inspectors attend agency-approved continuing education to maintain their certification.

We will begin work on a press release announcing this action so that building owners and designers will know where to submit plans. Our agent program manager Henry Kosarzycki is available to meet with you and your inspector to discuss our procedures for state reviews and inspections in delegated agent municipalities; he can be reached at 608-212-0138.

The Division of Safety and Buildings looks forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Greg C. Jones
Division Administrator

cc: Henry Kosarzycki, Auditor and Agent Program Manager
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