

April 6, 1999

Carolyn Lerch, Clerk
Village of Brownsville
POB 308
Brownsville, WI 53006

Dear Ms. Lerch:

I am pleased to inform you that your municipality has been certified in accordance with Wisconsin Administrative Code, ss. Comm 50.21 and 66.24, for commercial building code enforcement. Your municipality will have primary responsibility for review of building and heating plans for all new commercial buildings of less than 5,000 square feet total area and alterations involving less than 10,000 square feet area. Building plans for such buildings that are located within your municipality should no longer be submitted to our agency.

Your municipality has also been authorized per state statute 101.12(3)(g) to provide inspections in lieu of the state for all commercial building projects, regardless of size, in your municipality. However, plan review for projects beyond the certified municipality size limits will still be done by our agency.

An exception to the above is that our agency retains jurisdiction for plan review and inspection authority for all state-owned buildings.

I understand that Independent Inspections, Ltd. 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 designers will know where to submit plans. Our inspection deputy for the area will be meeting with your inspector to discuss our procedures for state inspections in certified municipalities.

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

Sincerely,


Michael Corry
Administrator

cc: Ben Burks, Field Operations Bureau
Tom Kasper, Training and Certification Coordinator
Randy Baldwin, Integrated Services Bureau
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