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Dear Skill Competitor and Employer,

The ABC of Wisconsin Apprentice Skill Competition, which will be held Friday, January 20th at the Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells. **Spots remain for up to 4 electricians.** The first four to respond will be awarded the spots.

The competition is a showcase for the top ABC of WI apprentices in Carpentry, Electrical, HVAC, and Plumbing to demonstrate their skills. A schedule for the day is on page 2 of this letter. Apprentices receive 8 hours of unpaid related instruction credit for competing.

In the competition, competitors will be scored on both a written test (25% of overall score), and practical test (75% of overall score).

All competitors and employers will be recognized at the evening Awards Banquet, with the top 3 in each trade receiving plaques. The top finisher for each trade advances to the ABC National Craft Championships, in San Antonio, TX.

Competition Registration: The enclosed registration form needs to be completed and returned to the ABC of WI Office. Both the apprentice and employer must sign the form. We ask each employer pay a \$110 registration fee for their apprentice to compete. This fee covers the costs associated with the competition, including the competitor's meals, and one employer meal for the Awards Banquet (details on this will be mailed later). The competition is open for viewing, and we encourage you to invite your family, friends, and co-workers. As the competition nears, formal invitations will be sent to both apprentices and employers to register guests for the lunch and evening Awards Banquet. Apprentices will also receive a competition guidebook which explains the rules and includes a list of tools to bring.

National Competition: The top competitor in each trade advances to the ABC National Craft Championships. The registration fee for each competitor will be covered by ABC of WI. ABC of WI will also reserve one hotel room, per competitor, at the Grand Hyatt San Antonio, from April 25-27, 2012. ABC of WI requires each employer to cover the cost of their competitor's roundtrip airfare to San Antonio.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mike Saugstad
Education Coordinator

Enclosure: Schedule

ABC of WISCONSIN APPRENTICE SKILL COMPETITION

January 20, 2012 – Chula Vista Resort, WI Dells

7:30-8:00 a.m.	REGISTRATION Wisconsin Dells Center – Ticket Window
8:00-8:10 a.m.	WELCOME – OVERVIEW OF DAY Wisconsin Dells Center – Mezzanine
8:10-10:10 a.m.	WRITTEN EXAM Wisconsin Dells Center – Mezzanine
10:10-10:45 a.m.	SAFETY ORIENTATION / MILWAUKEE TOOL / GARDNER BENDER OVERVIEW Wisconsin Dells Center – Dome
10:45 -10:55 a.m.	COMPETITORS BRING IN TOOLS Wisconsin Dells Center – Dome
10:55 -11:10 a.m.	PRACTICAL BRIEFING Wisconsin Dells Center – Dome
11:10-11:50 p.m.	LUNCH Wisconsin Dells Center – Lobby
12:00-4:00 p.m.	PRACTICAL ORIENTATION & EXAM Wisconsin Dells Center – Dome
4:00-5:00 p.m.	EVENT JUDGING
5:00-6:00 p.m.	PRACTICAL BREAKDOWN & CLEANUP
6:00-7:00 p.m.	BANQUET REGISTRATION / SOCIAL Chula Vista Resort – Room I
7:00-8:30 p.m.	AWARDS BANQUET Chula Vista Resort – Room A - F