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Subject: Elevation of Single Family Homes-Prior Approval

Effective August 31, 2015, when plans are submitted for the elevation of a single family home, a letter from the utility company stating that the elevation will not result in violation of the safety clearances required by the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC) will be a required prior approval.

Initiating the prior approval should avoid the difficulties that some homeowners have encountered when, after elevation, it is found that their home impinges on the clearances to high voltage wires required by the NESC.

The attached guidance summarizes the problem and explains the prior approval as the most reasonable and the most effective solution.

If you have any questions, please contact the Code Assistance Unit at (609) 984-7609.

