

Hibbing Public Utilities
Policy Number: CUST030firereconnect
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Subject: ELECTRICAL RECONNECTION AFTER BUILDING FIRE

Unsafe and hazardous conditions exist following a building fire due to exposed wiring and water damage. To avoid liability, ensure safety, and prevent another potential fire upon electrical reconnection, the HPUC will act in accordance with Minnesota Statute 326.244 INSPECTION by following these guidelines:

- 1) The HPUC will reconnect temporary or permanent electrical power only if the electrical system has been inspected by the state electrical Inspector, and the blue copy of the *Request for Electrical Inspection* form has been submitted to the HPUC Service Clerk.
- 2) If licensed electrical contractor does the work, the contractor can approve a power reconnection prior to inspection by the State Electrical Inspector, however, the contractor assumes all liability involved with the reconnection. In this situation, the blue copy of the *Request for Electrical Inspection* form must also be submitted to the HPUC Service Clerk at the time of reconnection.

Adopted by Commission Action