



Request for Extension of Time to File Objections Instanter

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Dear Sir or Madam,

Attached please find a request for a 1 business day extension of time to file objections on behalf of the following Petitioners:

Plumbers Local Union 130, U.A. & Terry Plumbing Company
Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors' National Association of Greater Chicago (SMACNA),
Westside Mechanical Group, Inc. & Admiral Heating & Ventilating, Inc.
Mechanical Contractors Association of Chicago & Illinois & Dahme Mechanical Industries, Inc.
Eastern Illinois Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA-EIL)
Northeastern Illinois Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA), McWilliams
Electric Co., Inc. & Homestead Electrical Construction, LLC
Piping Industry Council of Rockford Area Incorporated & Miller Engineering Company
Mechanical Contractors Association, Eastern Iowa/Western Illinois

While we believe that the objections linked in the attached letter may have otherwise been filed timely, out of an abundance of caution, we are requesting an extension to provide for their hand delivery on Monday, August 17, 2026. Please note, the objections at issue have already been sent via email and U.S. Mail today.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Christina Wernick



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Re: Request for Extension of Time to File Objections Instanter

Petitioners: Plumbers Local Union 130, U.A. & Terry Plumbing Company; Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors' National Association of Greater Chicago (SMACNA), Westside Mechanical Group, Inc. & Admiral Heating & Ventilating, Inc.; Mechanical Contractors Association of Chicago, Illinois & Dahme Mechanical Industries, Inc.; Eastern Illinois Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA-EIL); Northeastern Illinois Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA), McWilliams Electric Co., Inc. & Homestead Electrical Construction, LLC; Piping Industry Council of Rockford Area Incorporated & Miller Engineering Company; Mechanical Contractors Association, Eastern Iowa/Western Illinois

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Petitioners, I respectfully request an extension of time under 56 Ill. Adm. Code § 120.130(b) regarding their objections to the Illinois Department of Labor's 2026 prevailing wage rates and/or requests to establish new prevailing wage classifications, available here: [SHARED IDOL PETITIONS FILED](#). The objections respond to the Department's July 15, 2026 publication of the 2026 prevailing wage rates, which required written objections to be filed by August 14, 2026.

The Petitions were prepared and finalized on August 14, 2026, the applicable filing deadline, and were transmitted by email and placed in the mail that same day. Due to unforeseen circumstances immediately before the deadline, however, the Petitions were not physically delivered to the Department's Chicago office by 5:00 p.m. Although the objections may still be timely under 56 Ill. Adm. Code § 120.130, Petitioners request, out of an abundance of caution, an extension through Monday, August 17, 2026, or the next business day.

Specifically, counsel faced an unexpected combination of time-sensitive professional obligations and administrative staffing disruptions that materially affected the ability to complete physical delivery before close of business. These circumstances were not reasonably foreseeable. Despite them, counsel diligently transmitted the Petitions electronically and by U.S. Mail on the due date in a good-faith effort to comply with the applicable filing requirements.



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Section 120.130(b) permits extension requests filed within three days after the due date when based on circumstances not reasonably foreseeable in advance. Petitioners respectfully submit that this standard is satisfied here. No interested party will be prejudiced by the requested relief because the Petitions were completed and transmitted on the due date; the issue concerns only physical delivery by the 5:00 p.m. deadline.

Accordingly, Petitioners respectfully request that the Department grant this extension request, if necessary, and accept the shared Petitions as timely filed, or alternatively permit their filing instanter no later than Monday, August 17, 2026.

Thank you for your consideration. Please contact me if you need any additional information.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christina K. Wernick". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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cc:

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