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Dear Mr. Knox,

After a site visit and walkthrough on Monday, November 13, 2000, the following items of concern were brought to your attention at our meeting in your office trailer.

- All guest rooms shall have at least two receptacle outlets readily accessible to any occupants of each guest room pursuant to NEC 1999, ART: 210-60(a) & (b).
- A reasonable working temperature at or about 45-50 degrees shall be maintained prior to and during installation of all wiring types, including NMC, MC and single conductors and cables, to prevent damage to the insulation of the cables or conductors, pursuant to NEC 1999, ART: 90-1 & ART: 110-11.

This office shall strictly enforce these code requirements. If you have any further questions feel free to contact me at 874-8694. Please see attached documents.

Thank you,

Michael A. Collins

Chief Electrical Inspector

City of Portland

Cc: Central file

Mike Nugent

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■ 90-1. Purpose

(a) **Practical Safeguarding.** The purpose of this *Code* is the practical safeguarding of persons and property from hazards arising from the use of electricity.

(b) **Adequacy.** This *Code* contains provisions that are considered necessary for safety. Compliance therewith and proper maintenance will result in an installation that is essentially free from hazard but not necessarily efficient, convenient, or adequate for good service or future expansion of electrical use.

FPN: Hazards often occur because of overloading of wiring systems by methods or usage not in conformity with this *Code*. This occurs because initial wiring did not provide for increases in the use of electricity. An initial adequate installation and reasonable provisions for system changes will provide for future increases in the use of electricity.

(c) **Intention.** This *Code* is not intended as a design specification nor an instruction manual for untrained persons.

210-60. Guest Rooms

(a) General. Guest rooms in hotels, motels, and similar occupancies shall have receptacle outlets installed in accordance with Section 210-52. See Section 210-8(b)(1).

(b) Receptacle Placement. In applying the provisions of Section 210-52(a), the total number of receptacle outlets shall not be less than the minimum number that would comply with the provisions of that section. These receptacle outlets shall be permitted to be located conveniently for permanent furniture layout. At least two receptacle outlets shall be readily accessible. Where receptacles are installed behind the bed, the receptacle shall be located to prevent the bed from contacting any attachment plug that may be installed, or the receptacle shall be provided with a suitable guard.