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COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT made in duplicate this 1st day of November A.D., 2023
BETWEEN:

THE WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

Hereinafter called the "Division" of the First Part,

- and -

THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS LOCAL UNION NO. 2085

Hereinafter called the "Union" of the Second Part.

WHEREAS the parties hereto through their respective representatives have negotiated a certain agreement, which said agreement is hereinafter set forth:

NOW THEREFORE THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of the promises and the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter expressed, the parties hereto mutually agree:

ARTICLE 1: PURPOSE

It is the desire of both parties to this Agreement to maintain the existing harmonious relations between the Division and the Union, to promote co-operation and understanding between the Division and its employees, to recognize the mutual value of joint discussions and negotiations in all matters pertaining to working conditions, hours of work and scale of wages, to encourage economy of operation and elimination of waste, and to promote the morale, well-being and security of all the employees included in the bargaining unit represented by the Union.

ARTICLE 2: TERM OF AGREEMENT AND NEGOTIATIONS FOR RENEWAL

- 2.1 This Agreement, when signed by the authorized representatives of both parties, shall be effective from April 19, 2019 to April 18, 2023, both dates inclusive, unless altered or amended in the meantime by mutual consent of both parties, and shall be deemed to be renewed thereafter from year to year unless formal notice in writing is given by either party to the other to amend, add to or to negotiate a new Agreement, such notice to be given not more than ninety (90) days nor less than thirty (30) days prior to April 18, 2023.
- 2.2 Within ten (10) days after receipt of such written notice, or any additional time as may be mutually agreed upon, representatives of the Union and the Employer shall meet for the purpose of negotiating any proposals to amend, add to or negotiate a new Agreement, and

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it is agreed that should such negotiations be carried on after **April 18, 2023** or any other such anniversary date thereon, this Agreement shall continue to be in force and effect.

ARTICLE 3: DISPUTES, GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE AND ARBITRATION

- 3.1 Prior to any grievance being filed by either party to this Agreement, the Union Representative from Local 2085 and/or the Steward and the employee shall meet in an informal meeting with the designated Division representative(s) to discuss any alleged difference between the parties. Provided the difference between the parties is resolved in a manner not inconsistent with the Collective Agreement, then such resolution shall be binding on the Parties. If the alleged difference is not resolved, the employee or the Division can then refer the difference to Step 1 of the Grievance Procedure. Except where the matter is resolved between the Parties, discussions shall be without prejudice to either parties position.
 - Step 1 If an employee has a grievance which they wish to bring to the attention of the Division, the employee will state such grievance in writing, sign it, and the employee and the steward will take the matter up with the appropriate District Maintenance Supervisor. After due consideration of the grievance, the Maintenance Supervisor shall, within four (4) days, give a reply in writing.
 - **Step 2** If the reply of the appropriate Maintenance Supervisor is not satisfactory to the employee concerned, the Grievance may within five (5) days, be referred to the appropriate District Maintenance Manager.

Within five (5) days after a grievance has been referred the appropriate District Maintenance Manager and/or such other persons as may be designated by the Division will meet with the Union Committee to discuss the grievance. At this meeting a full-time representative of the Union will be present. The appropriate District Maintenance Manager or designate will give a written reply to the grievance within five (5) days after the meeting has been held.

Step 3 If the reply of the appropriate District Maintenance Manager is not satisfactory to the employee concerned, the grievance may within five (5) days, be referred to the Director of Buildings.

Within ten (10) days after a grievance has been referred to the Director of Buildings, the Director of Buildings and/or such other persons as may be designated by the Division will meet with the Union Committee to discuss the grievance. At this meeting a full-time representative of the Union will be present. The Director of Buildings or designate will give a written reply to the grievance within five (5) days after the meeting has been held.

Step 4 If any grievance or difference is not settled to the satisfaction of the parties, in the manner hereinbefore provided, then within five (5) days of the Director of Buildings giving a reply, such grievance or difference shall be referred to the Chief Superintendent. Within fifteen (15) working days after a grievance has been referred, the Chief Superintendent will give a written reply to the grievance.

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- 3.2 If any grievance or difference is not settled to the satisfaction of the parties in the manner hereinbefore provided, then such grievance or difference shall be referred to arbitration in accordance with the provisions of the Manitoba Labour Relations Act
- 3.3 The Division may refuse to consider any grievance, the alleged circumstances of which occurred more than ten (10) days before the matter was first brought to the attention of the Maintenance Supervisor.
- 3.4 In computing the time allowance set out in this Article, weekends and holidays will not be taken into consideration. Further, any of the said time allowances may be extended by mutual agreement.
- 3.5 Where a dispute involving a question of general application or interpretation occurs, or where a group of employees or the Union has a grievance, Steps 1, 2 and 3 of this Article may be by-passed.
- 3.6 In the case of dismissal of, or other discipline to any permanent employee for cause, the justification for the dismissal or discipline and the nature and extent of the penalty imposed shall be subject to grievance as hereinbefore set out and the Board of Arbitration shall have the authority to provide the penalty which in its opinion appears to be just and equitable.
- 3.7 Wherever referred to in this Agreement the term "Director of Buildings" shall mean the Director of Buildings for the Division.

ARTICLE 4: MANAGEMENT GRIEVANCES

Should the Division have a misunderstanding, complaint, or dispute under this Agreement, against the Union, then the Division shall advise the Union of the misunderstanding, complaint, or dispute and the parties hereto shall discuss and endeavour to settle the matter within seven (7) days from the time the misunderstanding, complaint, or dispute was conveyed to the Union.

If such misunderstanding, complaint, or dispute is not settled to the mutual satisfaction of the parties it may be treated as a grievance and referred to arbitration in the same way as a grievance of any employee, as provided in Clause 3.2 of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 5: STRIKES AND LOCKOUTS

- 5.1 It is agreed by the Union that there will be no strike or slowdown either complete or partial, or other action by the Union, or any member of the Union whose employment is subject to this Agreement, which will stop or interfere with production during the life of this Agreement or while negotiations for renewal of this Agreement are in progress.
- 5.2 It is agreed by the Division that there shall be no lockout during the life of this Agreement or while negotiations for a renewal of this Agreement are in progress.
- 5.3 Unless refusing to cross any legal picket line will result in the destruction or serious deterioration of machinery, equipment or premises, and/or result in serious environmental damage, it shall not be a violation of this Agreement for members to refuse to cross any legal picket line.

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5.4 It is agreed by the Union and the Division that in the event of a strike or lockout the initiating party shall provide the other party with at least fourteen (14) calendar days notice prior to such action.

ARTICLE 6: COMPASSIONATE LEAVE

- 6.1 a) If an employee is absent on sick leave, a statutory holiday or is absent from the service of the Division for any reason whatsoever, then the employee will not be granted bereavement leave in addition to any one of the aforesaid absences.
 - b) An employee will be granted bereavement leave of five (5) consecutive working days without loss of salary in the event of the death of a spouse, child, step-child, mother, step-mother, father, step-father, brother or sister, as well as for any other relative who was a member of the household. Such days may be taken only in the period commencing on the work day after the date of the death. One (1) bereavement leave day may be retained at the employee's request for use in the case where actual interment or cremation is at a later date, or two (2) of the five (5) days where travel is required.
- 6.2 An employee will be granted, upon the death of a relative who is not a member of the immediate household, one (1) day's leave without a salary deduction to attend the funeral, if the funeral is held inside the City of Winnipeg and two (2) consecutive working day's leave without a salary deduction to attend the funeral, if the funeral is held further than two hundred (200) kilometres from the perimeter of the City of Winnipeg.
- 6.3 For the purposes of this Article a relative is defined as an aunt, uncle, cousin, niece or nephew.
 - a) An employee will be granted, upon the death of a mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandparents or grandchild, leave of three (3) consecutive working days without a salary deduction.
 - b) An employee will be granted one-half (½) day without a salary deduction to attend the funeral of a relative of their spouse not listed in 6.3(a) if the funeral is held further than one hundred (100) kilometres from the perimeter of the City of Winnipeg an additional one-half (½) day will be granted.
- 6.4 An employee will be granted one (1) day leave without a salary deduction to act as a pallbearer at a funeral if the funeral is held within the City of Winnipeg and an additional one-half (½) day without a salary deduction if the funeral is held further than one hundred (100) kilometres from the perimeter of the City of Winnipeg.
- 6.5 For the purposes of this Collective Agreement, "spouse" shall include a person of the same or opposite gender with whom an employee has established residence and lived in a marriage-like relationship for at least twelve (12) months and has publicly represented that person as **their** spouse.
- 6.6 The Division shall grant Compassionate Leave as per the Employment Standards Code. During Compassionate Leave an employee shall continue to accumulate seniority and retain seniority.

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ARTICLE 7: INCOME PROTECTION

- 7.1 The Division shall provide income protection for its employees against loss in income sustained because of illness or injury, quarantine, hospitalization, medical, dental or chiropractic examination or treatment or because of an accident or illness for which compensation is not payable under the Workers Compensation Act. Income protection shall not be used for medical appointments, examinations or treatments, which can be scheduled outside of working hours.
- 7.2 For permanent employees of the Division unused income protection in any month may be accumulated and carried forward to the next month up to a maximum of one hundred and eighty (180) days:

Part-time employees shall accumulate income protection on a pro rata basis.

- 7.3 The period of income protection allowed to an employee may be increased at the discretion of the Board.
- 7.4 Where an employee becomes incapacitated by illness or injury, or where the employee qualifies for bereavement leave during the period of the scheduled annual vacation, the Division shall grant income protection or bereavement leave, as the case may be, and credit the employee with alternate days of vacation equivalent to the number of days of approved income protection or bereavement leave, providing that in the case of income protection, incapacitation must be over three (3) days and require hospitalization. The employee will be responsible to provide proof of hospitalization satisfactory to the Division.
- 7.5 The Division may require an employee to provide a certificate from a duly qualified medical practitioner on or in a form acceptable to the Division certifying that the employee is or was unable to carry out their duties due to illness and is or is not able to return to regular duties.

 Abuse of sick time will not be tolerated by the Division or Union.
- 7.6 Employees withdrawing from the Division or on an unpaid leave of absence for whatever reason shall not be paid for any income protection credits accumulated due to length of service.
- 7.7 Income protection is not payable to an employee who is engaged in employment for wage or profit with another employer.
- 7.8 In any instance where income protection is payable and an employee is entitled to wage loss benefits from an outside source, or a wage loss payment related to injury arising out of legal proceedings (other than a private personal plan to which the employee might subscribe or a payment, other than a wage loss payment, related to injury which may arise out of legal proceedings), the income protection provided under this Collective Agreement shall be the final payer.

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- 7.9 The full Employment Insurance Commission rebate shall be retained by the Division.
- 7.10 Every employee shall notify or cause someone on their behalf to notify their immediate Supervisor and the Division's computerized absence reporting system prior to the commencement of their shift unless prevented from doing so by circumstances beyond the employee's control. When the employee knows at the time of initial call that the absence is going to be for a period of time greater than one (1) day it must be reported at the time of the call or when the employee becomes aware that the period of time is going to be greater than one (1) day they shall report this as soon as possible.

ARTICLE 8: DEFINITION OF "PERMANENT EMPLOYEE" and "TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE"

8.1 Permanent Employee

Under the provision of this Agreement the term "Permanent Employee" shall mean an employee who has been employed continuously by the Division for a probationary period of six (6) months and who is recommended for appointment by the Director of Buildings and is so confirmed. It is understood and agreed that any employee who is not so confirmed to the permanent staff shall be dismissed.

During such probationary period, such employees shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the Agreement but the Division may, in its sole discretion retain or dismiss an employee during the probationary period, and such dismissal shall be deemed to have been for just cause. After completion of the probationary period, seniority shall be effective in accordance with Article 10.1.

If deemed necessary by the Division the six (6) month probation period may be extended by a further three (3) months.

8.2 Temporary Employee

- (a) A temporary employee means an employee hired for a specific period of time or for the completion of a specific job or until the occurrence of a specified event. One copy of the Agreement entered into between the employee affected and the Division shall be given to the Shop Steward of the Local and to the Union Representative.
- (b) Temporary employees shall be paid the rates in effect in this Collective Agreement.
- (c) Temporary employees shall have no seniority rights.
- (d) Temporary employees shall not be covered by the Division's income protection, group life insurance, disability plan, or pension plan.
- (e) It is mutually agreed that the Division shall contribute to the Local 2085 Health and Welfare Trust Fund and the Local 2085 Pension Trust Fund as outlined in this Article. All monies payable to the Trust funds are to be remitted to the administrator of the Local 2085 Health and Welfare Trust Fund and the Local 2085 Pension Trust Fund.

The Division and the Union agree to joint contributions.

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(i) In addition to the hourly rate payable to a temporary employee, the Division shall contribute to the Local 2085 Health and Welfare Trust Fund as follows:

Effective May 1, 2015

- Employer's Contribution \$1.00 per hour
- Employee's Contribution \$0.65 per hour
- (ii) In addition to the hourly rate payable to the employee, the Division shall contribute to the Local 2085 Pension Trust Fund for all temporary Journeypersons as follows:

Effective May 1, 2015

- Employer's Contribution \$4.50 per hour
- Employee's Contribution \$0.75 per hour

In addition to the hourly rate payable to an Apprentice employee, the Division shall contribute to the Local 2085 Pension Trust Fund as follows:

Employer 1 st y Employee	May 1, 2015 \$1.80 per hour \$0.30 per hour		
Employer Employee	2 nd year Apprentice	\$2.25 per hour \$0.38 per hour	
Employer Employee	3 rd year Apprentice	\$2.93 per hour \$0.49 per hour	
Employer Employee	4 th year Apprentice	\$3.60 per hour \$0.60 per hour	

(iii) Group Registered Retirement Savings Plan

The Division and the Union agree to employee contributions to the Local 2085 Group Registered Retirement Savings Plan for all hours worked, by all temporary Journeyperson Electricians covered under this Collective Agreement, at the following rate:

\$1.25 per hour

(iv) Education Trust Fund

In addition to the hourly rate payable to the employee, the Division shall contribute to the Local 2085 Electrical Industry Education Trust Fund, for all temporary employees covered under this Collective Agreement, at the following rate:

Contribution - 10¢ per hour

The Division shall be consulted and have input with regards to what programs are offered to Divisional employees when programs occur at non-working times, employees of the Division will attend at no cost whatsoever to the Division.

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- (v) Save and except for the express responsibilities set out in this Article, the Union acknowledges and agrees that the Division neither has nor assumes any responsibility whatsoever with respect to any aspect of the benefit plans herein referenced.
- (f) Remittances to the Local 2085 Health and Welfare Trust Fund, the Local 2085 Pension Trust Fund, the Local 2085 Group Registered Retirement Saving Plan and the Local 2085 Electrical Industry Education Trust Fund will be made on the basis of full or half hours earned. These remittances shall be submitted monthly on the forms supplied by the administrator of the Local 2085 Health and Welfare Trust Fund, the Local 2085 Pension Trust Fund, the Local 2085 Group Registered Retirement Savings Plans, such forms to list employee and hourly contributions for each employee.

A copy of the above-mentioned forms is to be retained by the employer and the remaining forms with one cheque made payable to the "Local 2085 Health and Welfare Trust Fund" and one cheque made payable to the "Local 2085 Pension Trust Fund" and one cheque made payable to the "Local 2085 Group Registered Retirement Savings Plan" covering all contributions are to be forwarded to the administrator of the aforementioned Trust Funds,

(g) If a temporary employee is appointed to the permanent staff, the employee's date of entry for seniority purposes shall be established according to Article 10.1(b). However, the employee shall be entitled to income protection from the date of appointment only and the Division shall cease to send contributions to the Local 2085 Health and Welfare Trust Fund and the Local 2085 Pension Trust Fund.

ARTICLE 9: DISABLED EMPLOYEES PREFERENCE

That any employee covered by this Agreement who has given good and faithful service to the Division and who, through advancing years or temporary disablement is unable to perform their regular duties, shall be given preference to any light work available in the employee's trade at the salary payable at the time for the position to which the employee is assigned.

ARTICLE 10: SENIORITY

- 10.1 (a) That before appointment to the permanent staff, the date of entry into service of an individual for the purpose of the seniority list shall be the date of assignment to the staff; and
 - (b) That after appointment to the permanent staff, the date of entry into service of an individual for the purpose of the seniority list shall be set back from the date on which the employee was assigned to the staff by the aggregate periods of temporary service prior to the date of assignment, provided that no period of temporary service shall be taken into account for any individual prior to the date when the employee may have voluntarily withdrawn from the service of the Division.
- 10.2 No permanent employee shall be discharged except for cause.

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- 10.3 In the case of temporary lay-off, such lay-off in the case of permanent employees who have continuously been in the employ of the Division for six (6) months or more, shall be on the basis that the permanent employee with the least seniority shall be the first to be laid off, and in the case of re-employment the permanent employee having the most seniority of the laid-off permanent employees shall be first to be rehired. Seniority shall continue for eighteen (18) months from date of lay-off.
- 10.4 An employee shall lose seniority and the employee's name shall be removed from the seniority list for any one of the following reasons:
 - (a) voluntary termination of employment; or
 - (b) discharge for just cause; or
 - (c) retirement under the terms of the Division's Pension Plan; or
 - failure to return to work following an authorized leave of absence unless through illness or other such reason acceptable to the Division; or
 - (e) absence of more than two (2) consecutive working days without notifying the appropriate District Maintenance Manager or the appropriate District Maintenance Supervisor unless through illness or other such reason acceptable to the Division; or
 - (f) failure to contact the appropriate District Maintenance Manager or the appropriate District Maintenance Supervisor within five (5) working days after receiving notice of recall from lay-off by registered mail to do so, unless through illness or other such reason acceptable to the Division. The employee shall not be required to return to work following lay-off earlier than fifteen (15) working days after receipt of the above notice unless through mutual agreement of the employee and the Division. The onus is on the employee to inform the Division in writing of **their** current address. A copy of said notice of recall from lay-off will be forwarded to the Union no later than such notice being sent to the individual.

An employee who has lost seniority as a result of the application of this clause shall be notified that their employment is terminated and where such notice is given, it shall be considered as just cause for termination.

- 10.5 Seniority will continue to accrue if an employee:
 - (a) is on any period of paid leave of absence; or
 - (b) is on any period of paid income protection; or
 - (c) is on any period of paid vacation; or
 - (d) is on any period of unpaid leave of absence of less than five (5) consecutive days; or
 - (e) is absent on Workers' Compensation other than being in receipt of the total permanent disability benefits established under Workers' Compensation.

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- 10.6 Seniority will be retained but will not accrue if an employee:
 - (a) is on any period of unpaid leave of absence of more than five (5) consecutive days; or
 - (b) is laid off for less than eighteen (18) consecutive months; or
 - (c) is in receipt of the total and permanent disability benefits established under any disability plan or pension plan.
- 10.7 A copy of the seniority list shall be provided and sent to each employee covered under the Agreement not later than May 15 in each year.

ARTICLE 11: HOLIDAYS - ANNUAL VACATIONS

11.1 Annual Vacation

For the purposes of this clause the definition of continuous employment for vacation entitlement shall be consistent with the <u>Employment Standards Code</u> and computed on the basis of regular work hours worked for which the Division has provided payment.

All permanent employees shall be entitled to vacation with full pay annually on the following basis:

- (a) After one (1) year of continuous service with the Division and each successive year thereafter three (3) weeks.
- (b) During the ninth (9th) year of continuous service (on the basis of the employee's date on the seniority list) and each successive year thereafter four (4) weeks.
- (c) During the fifteenth (15th) year of continuous service (on the basis of the employee's date on the seniority list) and each successive year thereafter five (5) weeks.
- (d) During the twenty-first (21st) year of continuous service (on the basis of the employee's date on the seniority list) and each successive year thereafter six (6) weeks.
- (e) A temporary employee shall be paid vacation pay on each bi-weekly cheque based on a percentage equal to six per centum (6%) on the employee's total earnings, excluding overtime.
- (f) The vacation year for the Division commences on the first day of July each year and ends on 30th day of June the next following year.
- (g) Vacation entitlement shall be prorated for permanent employees who are employed on a permanent basis for less than a full vacation year. An employee leaving the employ of the Division during the year will be paid a prorated amount of their outstanding vacation entitlement in lieu of such vacation.
- (h) Vacation time shall not accumulate while an employee is on a leave of absence without pay.

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(i) Long Service Leave

An employee will be granted twenty (20) working days' leave of absence with pay in addition to their regular annual vacation after completion of twenty-five (25) years' continuous service (on the basis of the employee's date on the seniority list) with the Division. Requests to use long service leave must be submitted in writing a minimum of five (5) days in advances of the requested days. The leave will be taken subject to the exigencies of the service.

Part-time employees shall accumulate long service leave on a pro rata basis.

<u>LETTER OF CLARIFICATION RE ARTICLE 11 – VACATION</u>

The employer and the Union agree that changes in vacation entitlement as per 11.1 b, c and d will occur in the vacation year in which the employee's 9th, 15th and 21st anniversary date is achieved.

- Employee A's seniority date is January 15, 2000.
- Assuming no breaks in service, Employee A will have achieved nine (9) years of continuous service on January 15, 2009, and as per 11.1 b) Employee A will be entitled to four (4) weeks of vacation during the July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009 vacation year.
- Assuming no breaks in service, Employee A will achieve fifteen (15) years of continuous service on January 15, 2015, and as per 11.1 c) Employee A will be entitled to five (5) weeks of vacation during the July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 vacation year.
- Assuming no breaks in service, Employee A will achieve twenty-one (21) years of continuous service on January 15, 2021, and as per 11.1 d) Employee A will be entitled to six (6) weeks of vacation during the July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021 vacation year.

11.2 Holidays

- (a) All employees shall be entitled to a holiday with pay on the following days:
 - 1. New Year's Day
 - 2. Louis Riel Day
 - 3. Last Monday in March
 - 4. Good Friday
 - 5. Victoria Day
 - 6. Canada Day

- 7. Terry Fox Day
- 8. Labour Day
- 9. Thanksgiving Day
- 10. Remembrance Day
- 11. Christmas Day
- 12. Boxing Day

and any other day proclaimed by the Division, the City of Winnipeg, the Province of Manitoba, or the Canadian Government.

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- (b) That when Remembrance Day, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, or New Year's Day falls on a normal day off for any employee, and no other holiday is declared in lieu thereof (for example, the Monday following Christmas Day or New Year's Day), that employee shall be entitled to one (1) day off with pay for each of the above-named holidays which falls on the normal day off of such employee. Such day or days may, subject to the exigencies of the service, be added to the employee's annual vacation.
- (c) That when July 1st falls on a Saturday or Sunday, then all employees shall receive a holiday with pay on the Monday immediately following the said 1st of July.
- (d) The last Monday in March is considered to be a holiday in lieu of Easter Monday notwithstanding Easter Monday being proclaimed as a holiday by the City of Winnipeg, the Province of Manitoba, or the Government of Canada.
- (e) Employees shall be entitled to statutory holiday pay in accordance with the Employment Standards Code of the Province of Manitoba.

ARTICLE 12: RELIGIOUS HOLY LEAVE

- 12.1 (a) Employees desiring to observe recognized religious holy leave will be allowed up to three (3) days time off through one of two options:
 - (i) time off in lieu of Easter Monday, Christmas Day or Boxing Day; or
 - (ii) mutually agreed to alternate arrangements such as vacation, accumulated time or leave without pay.
 - (b) Employees substituting religious holy leave for Easter Monday, Christmas Day and/or Boxing Day will, where practical, be allowed to work in their regular job classification and work location and with their regular rate of pay for the time worked on these days. Where this is not practical, the employees may be redeployed to a position they are qualified for at a suitable work site. Redeployed employees will receive their regular rate of pay.
 - (c) Employees choosing alternate arrangements will, through discussions with their supervisor, establish a practical and mutually agreed upon approach necessary to substitute their chosen religious holy leave, to a maximum of three (3) working days.
 - (d) Notification Religious Holy Leave:
 - (i) Employees requiring religious holy leave prior to October 15 shall provide the Division with ten (10) working days notice in writing.
 - (ii) Employees requiring religious holy leave after October 15 shall provide notice of all leave required that school year by September 30.
 - (iii) Employees commencing employment with the Division at a time other than the start of the school year and who require religious holy leave, shall provide the Division with written notice of their requirements within ten (10) working days of commencing active employment.

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(e) For the purposes of this Article, religious holy days shall be interpreted as major religious holy days normally observed by the employee and designated as a day of obligation by the employees' religion for which an employee must abstain from engaging in paid employment.

ARTICLE 13: UNION SECURITY

- 13.1 All employees of the Division covered by this Agreement shall be Journeyperson Inside Wiremen or Apprentices and members in good standing of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 2085.
- 13.2 The Union shall have the right to appoint one (1) shop steward for every ten (10) employees. The Division shall be notified in writing of the names of Union Stewards so appointed.
- 13.3 There shall be no discrimination against the Steward on account of any lawful action taken on behalf of the Union or another employee.
- 13.4 The Division shall, when requiring additional staff, advise the Union of the Division's requirements. The Union shall advise the Division of the names of Inside Wiremen who are available for employment. The Division may in its discretion select new employees from the list of names so supplied. Anyone hired other than from the list supplied by the Union shall be required to apply for membership in the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers within thirty (30) days from date of hire.
- 13.5 The Division hereby agrees to deduct monthly union dues for each employee and remit same to the Union not later than the tenth day of the following month.

ARTICLE 14: ACCESS TO DIVISION PROPERTY

- 14.1 In those instances where the Union wishes to conduct business with an employee on or within the Division premises, the Union must first report to the school/building office and obtain authorization to be in the school/building before conducting such business. Upon obtaining appropriate authorization, such business shall be:
 - (a) held at times as shall minimize interference with the Division's operation;
 - (b) held whenever possible during the employee's allocated lunch and/or coffee breaks. However, when this is not practical:
 - (c) held during the employee's working hours. Business/meetings held during regular working hours shall normally not exceed ten (10) minutes in duration, unless otherwise authorized by the District Maintenance Manager/District Maintenance Supervisor/Building Administrator.

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ARTICLE 15: MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

The Union recognizes and acknowledges that it is the exclusive function of the Division to manage, direct and conduct the affairs of the Division and to exercise all prerogatives of management and without in any way limiting or affecting the generality of the foregoing to maintain order, discipline and efficiency and to extend or curtail operations, determine the size of and direct and allocate the work of the work force, including the scheduling of vacations and to hire, promote, suspend, demote and transfer employees, subject to the right of the employee concerned to lodge a grievance in the manner herein set forth. The Union recognizes the exclusive right of the Division to discharge, suspend or discipline employees for just cause. All matters concerning the operation of the Division, not specifically dealt with herein, shall be reserved to the Division and be its exclusive responsibility. The Union also recognizes and acknowledges that the Board can delegate these and any other management prerogatives to the Chief Superintendent or designate(s).

ARTICLE 16: HOURS OF WORK AND OVERTIME

16.1 Normal Hours

- (a) Eight (8) hours shall constitute a day's work for five (5) days, Monday to Friday inclusive 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with one half hour for lunch. The Director of Buildings of the Division, may, however, because of special circumstances that may arise from time to time require with one week's notice, that an alternate work day be established between 7:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. with one half hour lunch, split shifts not allowed. All hours worked beyond eight (8) hours in a day and on Saturday, Sunday, and holidays will be paid at twice the base rate for the hours actually worked.
- (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if conditions are such that one week's notice is not possible and work on a particular job cannot be done within the said normal hours of operation then temporary shift work may be instituted. Temporary shift work shall be defined as work assignments lasting two (2) or more days, all or part of the working time being outside the normal hours of operation Monday to Friday inclusive. Shift work shall be compensated on the basis of the employee's normal hourly wage and a shift premium of ten per centum (10%).

16.2 Alternate Regular Shift

- (a) The Division shall have the right to establish an alternate regular shift outside of the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Shift work shall be defined as shift work assignments lasting of two (2) or more days, all or part of the working time being outside the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive. Shift work shall be compensated on the basis of the employee's normal hourly wage and a shift premium of ten per centum (10%).
- (b) If the Division establishes an alternate regular shift outside the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. the Division will first ask employees if they are willing to work such shift. If no one is willing to work such shift or if additional employees are required, the Division will assign the required number of employees from those persons hired after March 23, 2006 on the basis of their seniority.

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New employees hired after March 23, 2006 shall be informed that regardless of the foregoing, they may be assigned to work an alternate regular shift pattern.

16.3 Overtime

An employee shall, if required by the Division, work more than the recognized hours as set out herein. The Division, will, before requiring an employee to work overtime, canvass as many employees as possible for volunteers to perform the work and only if the Division is unable to find sufficient volunteers will the employees be required to work such overtime.

16.4 Call Out

Notwithstanding the foregoing, employees called out to work outside their regular shift shall be paid for such hours worked at double time rates. One (1) hour at double time will be paid to compensate the time spent traveling to and from the place of work. In no case shall an employee be paid for less than two (2) hours at double time including the time paid to compensate the traveling time.

16.5 Work on Holidays

When an employee works on any of the holidays, as stated in clause 11.2(a), or any days observed as such, the employee shall be compensated at twice the base rate for the hours actually worked. This shall be in addition to any compensation for the holiday to which the employee may otherwise be entitled.

16.6 Overtime Accumulation

An employee will, notwithstanding anything herein contained to the contrary, have the option of being paid for overtime or accumulating overtime to a maximum of forty (40) hours at any one time, in any one (1) year, which accumulation of overtime may be taken by the employee being absent from work for not more than three (3) consecutive working days at any one time provided the employee has received the prior written approval of the District Maintenance Manager/Supervisor. The decision of the District Maintenance Manager/Supervisor will be the final decision as to whether an employee will be paid or receive compensating time for such overtime worked and the District Maintenance Manager/Supervisor's decision will not be subject to the provisions of Article 3: Disputes, Grievance Procedure and Arbitration as set out herein. If an employee is to receive salary, the salary will be paid at the employee's rate of pay prevailing at the time the overtime hours of work were performed. All accumulated overtime must be taken as time off or paid out by June 30th of each year. Accumulated overtime not taken as time off or paid out by this date shall be paid to the employee in the last pay period of the fiscal year. Requests to use more than one (1) accumulated overtime must be submitted in writing a minimum of five (5) days in advances of the requested days. The leave will be taken subject to the exigencies of the service.

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ARTICLE 17: RATES OF PAY

17.1 It is agreed that on and from the effective date of this Agreement the following rates of pay shall apply:

Journeyperson Electricians

May 1, 2019	\$42.28 per hour (1.6 %)
May 1, 2020	\$42.87 per hour (1.4 %)
May 1, 2021	\$43.08 per hour (0.5%)
May 1, 2022	TBD per hour (COLA)

COLA shall be calculated as follows:

In January 2022, or as soon as possible thereafter, when the 12-month (January to December 2021) average annual Manitoba Statistics Canada Consumer Price Index (All Items) change is made known, the increase will be applied May 1, 2022.

- 17.2 A Journeyperson Electrician employed by the Division as a lead hand shall be paid five percent (5%) above the Journeyperson rate to the nearest five cents (5¢) during the period employed as a lead hand. When this computation produces a result which ends in two and one-half cents $(2\frac{1}{2}\phi)$, or seven and one-half cents $(7\frac{1}{2}\phi)$, the per hour rate shall be the next highest five cents (5¢). A lead hand electrician is a Journeyperson having under their direction more than two (2) but less than ten (10) workers.
- 17.3 (a) Wages shall be paid bi-weekly by direct deposit. A statement showing detail of earnings, overtime and deductions will be provided to the employee. Any overtime worked shall be paid on the regular pay for the pay period next following the pay period in which the overtime was worked.
 - (b) (i) The Division shall only be required to deposit the salary funds to one designated financial institution per employee. For purposes of clarity, an employee will not be allowed to designate a certain portion of their funds be paid to one financial institution and the balance to another.
 - (ii) Individual employees shall not have the right to request exemptions from having their salaries so deposited.
 - (iii) In consideration of providing the direct deposit system, the Division will not provide advance payroll cheques for vacation purposes.
- 17.4 If and when the Division hires apprentices, a minimum of third year apprentices will be hired. Such apprentices shall be paid:

65% of Journeyperson's rate in the third year.

80% of Journeyperson's rate in the fourth year.

For the purposes of this Agreement, apprentices shall be considered temporary employees.

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ARTICLE 18: TRANSPORTATION ALLOWANCE

18.1 If an employee uses their own motor vehicle at the request of the Division, the employee shall be paid an allowance in accordance with the Division's scale of car allowance for employees who use their motor vehicles on behalf of the Division. Mileage to be paid for shall be for travel on behalf of the School Division while the employee is on duty but shall not include mileage from home to the place of work or from the place of work to home, except in the case of a call-out under Article 16.4 when such mileage to and from home will be included. The Division agrees that no employee shall be required to use their own motor vehicle on behalf of the Division as a condition of employment.

18.2 Driver's License Verification

Any employee who operates a vehicle while conducting Division business shall possess a valid driver's license representative of the Class of vehicle being operated at the time. The employee shall upon request present such license to the Division for verification purposes. Declaration that the license is valid shall be signed by the employee and witnessed by management on the prescribed form.

An employee subject to this article who loses or has **their** license suspended for whatever reason must immediately notify the Division. Failure to do so will be considered a disciplinary offense.

18.3 Effective January 19, 2017, Employees shall be responsible for all fines and/or fees assessed against the Employee which arise out of a driving offense resulting from their negligence. This shall include but is not limited to parking, speeding tickets and/or red light camera violations.

ARTICLE 19: TOOLS

19.1 An Electrician's tools are the means of livelihood and the worker shall keep same in good condition at all times. Any of the tools listed in the attached Schedule "A" lost by tools destroyed by fire or lost by breaking and entering provided they are placed in a properly secured storage room on Division property or conducting Division business during working hours. Claims for tools lost through breaking and entering or destroyed by fire while stored on Division property must be submitted in writing together with a list of such tools, the value thereof, and with reasonable evidence of loss. Such claims must be submitted within ten (10) days of the loss.

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- 19.2 The employee must accept reasonable responsibility for the tools furnished by the Division and will be given sufficient time to put these tools in their designated place. The employee must report the breakage or loss of any of these tools immediately to the supervisor.
- 19.3 Any employee found misusing tools supplied by the Division may be held responsible.
- 19.4 The Division must supply all tools and safety equipment not listed under employees' tool list. The Division will be responsible for any Division tools stolen from an employee's vehicle during a break-in.

19.5 Safety Footwear

- (a) The Division will contribute toward the purchase of green triangle safety footwear, for permanent employees only, up to a maximum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) every two (2) years. Payment will be made upon proper documentation being provided to the Division. All employees, as a condition of employment, are required to wear C.S.A. approved green triangle safety footwear.
- (b) Temporary employees will be eligible to apply for the subsidy in 19.5 (a) provided they have worked six (6) or more months and their employment is expected to continue. A temporary employee who is eligible for such subsidy shall have the rate pro rated based on the length of the year worked. All employees, as a condition of employment, are required to wear C.S.A. approved green triangle safety footwear.

ARTICLE 20: WORKING CONDITIONS

- 20.1 Journeyperson Inside Wiremen shall do all wiring and installing of conduit to all signal systems, lights in buildings, in all recreation and playgrounds whether temporary or permanent, and repairs to same, wiring for all motors and erection of same, wiring and repairs for all signal systems, wiring and repairs to wiring for language laboratories, and all channelling and cutting made necessary by the introduction of the foregoing. Employees covered by this Agreement shall perform such other similar duties reasonably required of them by the Director of Buildings.
- 20.2 There shall be at least two (2) Journeypersons working together on electrical circuits carrying 347/600 volts between conductors, or between conductor and ground. In case of trouble, however, one Journeyperson may be sent out alone to watch until another can be obtained.
 - (a) Employees will be responsible for placing locks and tagouts on any switch regardless of the voltage or type of construction where workers are liable to be endangered by the closing of such switch and/or where the switch is not directly visible to the workers protected by the open switch. The tag or lock shall be removed only by the workers that attached it.

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ARTICLE 21: LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR UNION BUSINESS

Any employee of the Division who is an officer or member of the Union shall be granted leave of absence for Union business, provided that the aggregate of such leave for all said officers and members shall not exceed **forty-five (45)** working days in any calendar year and provided further that, where required, a substitute satisfactory to the Division has been secured. In computing the said **forty-five (45)** day period, leave of absence granted to any said officer or employee for the purpose of negotiating with the Division shall not be counted.

(All such requests will be made at least ten (10) days in advance, by the Union in writing, whenever possible.) During the absence of any employee on special work of this nature, such employee shall retain seniority rights in the department with no decrease in status but without claim on any promotions affected during the absence on leave. The Division shall submit to the Union a statement covering loss of time and the Union shall reimburse the Division for same.

When for the purpose of negotiating a Collective Agreement with the Division or renewal thereof and when meetings with the Division are convened during regular working hours, the Division will grant leave, with salary, at the applicable rates set forth in Section 17.1 hereof, for not more than two (2) members of the Union attending such meetings. The union shall reimburse the Division for all salary paid by the WSD and for the WSD's share of fringe benefits.

No additional leave of absence shall be taken for the above-mentioned purpose except with the consent of the Division.

ARTICLE 22: WITNESS DUTY

When an employee is absent from work to testify under subpoena as a witness for the Crown or in **their** capacity as a Division employee, the employee shall be paid **their** regular rate of pay for each hour **they** would have worked had **they** not been under subpoena, less witness fees received by the employee.

An employee required to attend a court proceeding as a party to that proceeding in relation to the employee's personal private affairs shall receive a leave of absence without pay for the required absence.

An employee shall submit details of the requirements for witness duty at the earliest possible date. The employee shall, where possible, make **themselves** available for duty at **their** job during regular working hours when **they** may not be required at Court.

Note: The Division policy will apply for individuals called for jury duty.

ARTICLE 23: NO DISCRIMINATION

All provisions in the Agreement have been negotiated in good faith with the specific understanding that the provisions and their administration contain no elements of discrimination. In the event that any of the provisions are deemed to be discriminatory, the parties will negotiate necessary adjustments to ensure there is no additional cost to the Division or the Union.

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ARTICLE 24: RESPECTFUL WORKPLACE

The Division and the Union jointly affirm that every employee in the work force shall be entitled to a respectful workplace. The environment must be free of discrimination and harassment.

The principle of fair treatment is a fundamental one and both the Division and the Union do not and will not condone any improper behaviour on the part of any person which would jeopardize an employee's dignity and well being and/or undermine work relationships between employees in the Union and productivity.

ARTICLE 25: OVERPAYMENTS / UNDERPAYMENT

- Where a wage overpayment error has been made in good faith, the Employer shall be entitled to recover any such overpayment from future wages.
- 25.2 Once the error is discovered, notice and a detailed breakdown of the error will be given by the Employer to the affected employee and the Union as soon as practicable.
- 25.3 In the event the employee retires from, or leaves the employ of the Employer before the Employer is able to fully recover an overpayment as contemplated in this Article, the Employer shall be entitled to make a full recovery at the time of retirement or termination of employment of that employee and reduce accordingly any payments that might be owing to that employee to recover the overpayment.
- 25.4 In the event that employee does not have sufficient wages owing to satisfy the repayment of such overpayment, the Division shall have the right to proceed as it determines necessary to recover the overpayment owing plus any costs incurred in such recovery.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Union has hereunto affixed its seal, duly attested by its proper officers in that behalf and the Division has hereunto affixed its corporate seal, duly attested by its proper officers in that behalf, the day and year first above written.

THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS, LOCAL NO. 2085

Business Manager

Chairperson

Local Union Representative

THE WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

Secretary-Treasurer

referred to in Agreement dated the 1st day of November, A.D. 2021

between

THE WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

and

THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS, LOCAL UNION NO. 2085

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SCHEDULE "A"

Schedule of Tools to be supplied by Employee

- 1 Hammer
- 1 Hack Saw Frame
- 1 12-inch Level
- 1 10-foot Steel Tape
- 3 Blade Screw Drivers
- 1 Centre Punch
- Tap Wrench Handle
- 1 10-inch Crescent Wrench
- 1 8-inch Klein Type Pliers
- 1 Needle Nose Pliers
- 1 Voltage Tester-110 to 550 volts
- 1 Knife
- 1 Cold Chisel ½-inch x 6 inch
- 1 Diagonal Pliers
- 1 Code Book
- 1 50-foot Steel Tape
- 7-inch Gas Pliers
- 1 Chalk Line
- 1 Set Allen Wrenches-up to ½-inch size
- 1 Tool Box
- 3 Robertson Screw Drivers
- 1 10-inch Channel Lock

An electrician's tools shall be rated in compliance with applicable codes and standards. The Division shall have available the current code book.

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November 1, 2021

Mr. Russ Shewchuk, Business Manager International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union 2085 556 Notre Dame Avenue Winnipeg, MB R3B 1S4

Dear Mr. Shewchuk:

Re: Letter of Understanding - Work Contracted Out

The following sets out the basis of an understanding made between The Winnipeg School Division and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 2085.

The Winnipeg School Division gives assurance that for the specific term of the current Collective Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 2085, that no existing permanent employee will be laid off.

For further clarity and understanding it is acknowledged by the Union that the Letter of Understanding regarding lay-off only applies to employees of The Winnipeg School Division who are designated as a permanent employee under Article 8.1 of the Collective Agreement.

Yours sincerely,

Pauline Clarke Chief Superintendent

This will confirm the unions' agreement with the understanding set forth in the above letter as of this 1st day of **November, A.D., 2021**.

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Dear Mr. Shewchuk:

Re: Letter of Understanding - Parenting Leave

The following sets out the basis of an understanding made for the term of the Collective Agreement between The Winnipeg School Division and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 2085.

The parties agree that the Division will utilize the following principles and protocol in considering applications for income protection for disability arising out of pregnancy, labour and delivery, and recovery from same:

- Pregnancy, labour and delivery, and recovery therefrom may give rise to a period of disability such that an employee will be entitled to income protection under the Collective Agreement.
- 2. The period of disability occasioned by pregnancy, labour and delivery, and recovery therefrom will vary in each individual case depending upon the circumstances involved.
- 3. An employee who is pregnant or on maternity leave may file an application for income protection with the Division for disability relating to the pregnancy, labour and delivery no later than one calendar month following the date of delivery. Attendant upon this application the employee will be required to provide the Division with information respecting the medical practitioners involved in **their** case and to sign a release allowing the Division to correspond with such individual(s) to obtain medical information relevant to the leave application.
- 4. Upon the request of the employee, the Division shall provide the employee with copies of all medical information received from their medical practitioners in relation to income protection coverage for disability arising out of pregnancy, labour and delivery, to the employee within a reasonable period of time of receipt of same.
- 5. Upon receipt of adequate medical information, the Division will consider the application for income protection, and will pay income protection benefits for such period of time as is supported by such information. Individual employees retain their rights to grieve under the Collective Agreement in the event they disagree with the Division's disposition of their leave application.

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- 6. This protocol does not affect the Division's existing procedures respecting the application for and granting of maternity and parental leaves of absence.
- 7. The Division retains its right to amend this protocol upon notification to the Union, and in such event the Union retains its right to process a policy grievance concerning any such amendment.

Yours sincerely,

Pauline Clarke Chief Superintendent

This will confirm the unions' agreement with the understanding set forth in the above letter as of this 1st day of **November**, **A.D.**, **2021**.

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Dear Mr. Shewchuk:

Re: Letter of Understanding - Permits

The following sets out the basis of an understanding made between The Winnipeg School Division and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 2085.

Current members of the bargaining unit will be encouraged to obtain the appropriate license to enable them to obtain permits for work they are doing within the Division.

On the basis that such course(s) and upgrading for current employees requiring a license for permits is taken at a Division approved centre, the Division will pay the license and registration fees and for time spent taking the course at the straight time rate.

There will be no repercussion or lay-off of employees who fail the course.

Permanent employees hired after the date of signing, will be required to obtain the appropriate license to enable them to obtain permits.

Yours sincerely,

Pauline Clarke Chief Superintendent

This will confirm the unions' agreement with the understanding set forth in the above letter as of this 1st day of **November**, **A.D.**, **2021**.

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