RE: WATER-BASED FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM TESTING AND ASSOCIATED REGISTRY IN THE CITY OF LETHBRIDGE

Scope

The Fire Prevention Bureau is responsible for enforcing the current NFC(AE) and applicable standards within the City of Lethbridge. This includes water-based fire protection systems and the applicable standards that correspond with such a service.

In an effort to ensure all systems are being tested consistently by the various vendors, the Lethbridge Fire Prevention Bureau will be implementing a registry system with an effective date of January 1, 2025 for those wishing to work on water-based fire protection systems in the City of Lethbridge. There is currently no fee associated with the registry, but LFES reserves the right to implement a fee at a later date.

Obligations of the Service Provider

The NFC(AE):2023 requires water-based fire protection systems shall be inspected, tested and maintained in conformance with NFPA 25, "Standard for the Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems.". Effective January 1, 2025, The Lethbridge Fire Prevention Bureau will only be accepting the NFPA 25-2017 edition (or newer) of this standard. A reviewed water-based fire protection system inspection report that does not comply with the requirements of the NFC(AE) and NFPA 25-2017 (or newer) can result in a failed inspection for the business owner.

For more information, contact the Fire Prevention Bureau.

Sincerely,

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