



**Prince George's County  
Department of Environmental Resources  
Permits and Review Division**

**BULLETIN 2007-2**

March 29, 2007

**SUBJECT:** Permitting and inspection practices for unmetered Private Area Lighting (PAL) installations on private property by an electrical utility company (EUC)

**PURPOSE:** To establish procedures and guidelines allowing an EUC to install PAL, within Prince George's County, in accordance with the provision of their Residential Electrical Service Tariff and regulations of the Public Safety Commission.

This bulletin outlines the Prince George's County permitting and inspection requirements for an electrical utility company (EUC) to install private area lighting (PAL) under customer contracts pursuant to their approved Retail Electric Service Tariff ("Tariff") in the County.

To utilize this bulletin, the EUC agrees that prior to the installation of PAL, they will provide the County's Department of Environmental Resources, Permits and Review Division, with a plan showing the location, owner information, and layout of the proposed lighting installation. The County will notify the EUC within 30 days of receipt of the plan if the installation in question is subject to specific zoning requirements for which the plan in question does not demonstrate compliance and, as a result, could not be installed under this bulletin. Provided the County finds no issue with the submitted plan, a building permit case will be created showing the owner listed on the drawing as permittee, the EUC as the contractor, and indicating the number of fixtures to be installed. No County licenses will be required of the EUC in this matter and no fees will be charged. A County electrical permit will not be required.

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The EUC agrees that all PAL structures and anchorage will comply with County Building Code requirements and manufacturer's installation recommendations. The EUC will notify the County when the actual installation begins and the County, at its option, may inspect the installation for compliance. The EUC must notify the County when the work has been completed and, when this notification is made, the EUC must provide a written document that attests to compliance of PAL structures and/or anchorage. Upon receipt of the notice of completion from the EUC, the County will close the building permit case utilizing the activity code for "Final Inspection" with a result of "Certified."

The EUC must complete all electrical installations associated with PAL in compliance with the provisions of the National Electrical Safety Code, the tariff, and requirements of the Maryland Public Service Commission relating to PAL.

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