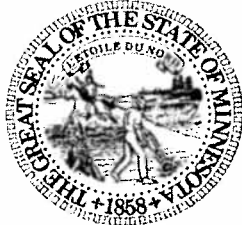


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**MARK DAYTON**  
**GOVERNOR**

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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

**Laura Karow**

16820 Whitewood Avenue  
Prior Lake, MN 55372  
County of Scott  
Congressional District 2

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment and ability, I have appointed and commissioned you to have and to hold the office of:

**MASTER ELECTRICIAN**

**BOARD OF ELECTRICITY**

Effective: March 5, 2012

Term Expires: December 31, 2014

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

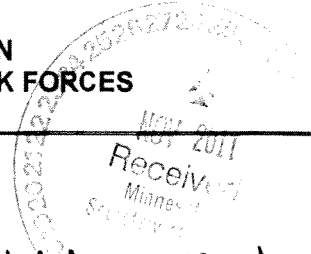
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the Capitol in the City of Saint Paul, February 29, 2012.



*Mark Dayton*  
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Governor

*Mark Ritchie*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary of State

**STATE OF MINNESOTA**  
**OPEN APPOINTMENTS APPLICATION FOR SERVICE ON**  
**STATE AGENCIES, BOARDS, COUNCILS, COMMISSIONS or TASK FORCES**  
*All information on this form is available to the public upon request.*



**Part I - Tell us about the Position to which you are applying**  
*Required Information (MN Stat § 15.0597 Subd. 5.)*

Agency Name: State Board of Electricity Position Sought: Master Electrician member  
(Name of board, council, commission or task force.) (Membership position sought or enter "member".)

*By request, this application will be made available in alternative format (for example, braille, large print, audio tape, or computer disk.)*

**Part II - Tell us about Yourself**  
*Required Information (MN Stat § 15.0597 Subd. 5.)*

Applicant Name: Laura Karow Preferred Phone: (952) 937-9262  
(First Name) (Last Name)  
 Preferred Mailing Address: 7960 Eden Prairie RD E-MAIL: lkarow@hotmail.com  
(Preferred Mailing Address) County: Hennepin  
Eden Prairie MN 55347 MN House of Rep Dist: 35A US House of Rep Dist: 2nd  
(City) (State) (Zip) Find your districts by using the Poll Finder at:  
<http://pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us/>

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes  No  Did the Appointing Authority suggest you submit your application? Yes  No

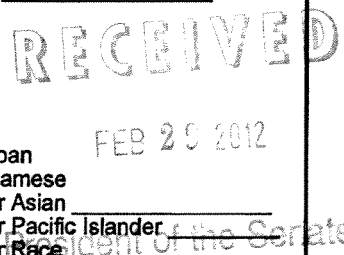
*Please attach a cover letter, current resume, or other information that you feel would be helpful to the Appointing Authority.*

**Part III: OPTIONAL STATISTICAL INFORMATION**

*The following information is optional and voluntary (MN Stat §15.0597 Subd. 5.).  
 Information is collected for, and compiled in, the annual report on the open appointments process pursuant to MN Stat §15.0597 Subd. 7.*

Sex: Female  Male  Age: 33 Disability: Yes  No  Political Party:  Democratic-Farmer-Labor  
 Independence  Republican  No Party Preference  Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? Yes  No

Race:  White  Guamanian or Chamorro  Samoan  
 American Indian or Alaska Native  Filipino  Vietnamese  
 Asian Indian  Korean  Other Asian  
 Black, African Am., or Negro  Japanese  Other Pacific Islander  
 Chinese  Native Hawaiian  Other Race \_\_\_\_\_



**Part IV: Signature and Submittal Instructions**

I swear that, to the best of my knowledge, the above information is correct and that I satisfy all legally prescribed qualifications for the position sought. (\*If another person or group is nominating the applicant, the applicant's signature indicates consent to nomination.)

Laura Karow  
 (Signature of Applicant)

11-28-2011  
 (Date)

**MAIL OR SUBMIT IN PERSON:**  
 Office of the Secretary of State  
 Open Appointments  
 180 State Office Building  
 100 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Blvd  
 St. Paul, MN 55155-1299

**FAX OR EMAIL:**  
 FAX: (651) 296-9073  
 Phone: (651) 556-0643  
 Email: [open.appointments@state.mn.us](mailto:open.appointments@state.mn.us)

Applicants will not receive an acknowledgement of submitted applications; the appointing authority will notify you if an interview is desired.

**FOR OFFICE USE:**  
 Governor  
 11/30/2011  
 REV. 09-2011

Laura Karow  
16820 Whitewood Avenue  
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November 28, 2011

Office of the Secretary of State  
180 State Office Building  
100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
St. Paul, MN 55155-1299

To Whom It May Concern:

Are there certain qualifications and knowledge that you believe are essential to the members of the State Board of Electricity? Perhaps someone with:

- 10 years of hands-on experience in the electrical construction field
- Knowledge of the latest technology in the industry
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- A passion to learn and increase her skills
- A person of integrity and fairness

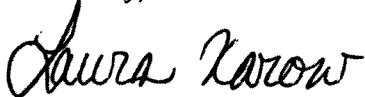
If these are the attributes that you believe would meet the criterion of that position, then I submit my application to be re-appointed to the State Board of Electricity.

In addition to the training and experience stated on my enclosed resume', I also have the benefit of "growing up" in the electrical industry. My father has held his Master Electrician's license and worked in the electrical industry until his retirement three years ago. My mother owns and operates Gunnar Electric Inc., with whom I am employed and now hold the Master Electrician's license.

Being nurtured in this industry, I have witnessed significant changes in technology, and I've also experienced first-hand the struggles and challenges that face a small woman-owned and family-operated electrical contracting firm. I sincerely believe that my expertise and knowledge of the industry are substantial benefits to the State Board of Electricity.

Thank you for your consideration of my application and I look forward to speaking with you.

Sincerely,

  
Laura Karow

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Enclosure: Resume'

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**Experience:**

April 2011-present  
Member of the State Board of Electricity

August 2006-present  
Gunnar Electric Inc.  
Master Electrician, Safety Director, Project Manager, and Estimator  
Supervisor: Lois Walters (952) 937-9262

July 2000-March 2006  
Electrical apprentice at various shops around the Twin Cities area. List of employers available upon request.

September 1997-June 2000  
Berens Bus Co.-ISD 719  
School Bus Driver

1995-1997  
Holiday Station Stores-Prior Lake  
Cashier, shift lead

**Education:**

Minneapolis Community and Technical College, Minneapolis MN.  
Graduated with honors, 2000. Received a diploma in Construction Electricity

Prior Lake High School, Prior Lake MN.  
Graduated with a diploma, 1997

**Licenses/Certifications:**

Minnesota Journeymen's license-August 2005  
OSHA 10 and First Aid Training-April 2006  
Minnesota Master's license-February 2007  
American Heart Association CPR training-April 2010

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**Community Involvement:**

Member of Berea Evangelical Lutheran Church and School-Inver Grove Heights MN  
Piano accompanist for Sunday school choir, substitute Sunday school teacher and choir director,  
member of the CDSA (Christian day school association), parent activity group leader, day school  
volunteer

**National Marriage Encounter:**

In 2005 my husband and I formed a local "encountering couples" group and today we remain the  
group leaders.

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