



RUSSELL J. PENN

Branch Manager – Thief River Falls Office

Mr. Penn joined Bergstrom Electric, Inc. as a Project Manager in October, 1996. He began his electrical career in 1972 as an Apprentice Electrician. Since receiving his Journeyman's license in 1976, he has held the following positions: Service Driver, Foreman/Supervisor, Purchasing Agent, Pre-Fab Manager, Service Manager, Project Coordinator, Education Director, Estimator and is currently Branch Manager of the Thief River Falls Branch Office and also a Project Manager for Bergstrom Electric, Inc.

During his electrical career, Mr. Penn has been responsible for numerous projects that have included, but are not limited to: hotel/destination center, county jail, sports arenas, strip malls, gas stations, multi-story buildings, residential, banks, industrial processing plants, grocery stores, schools, nursing homes, churches, event/convention center, casinos, water park, lighting retrofits, apartment complexes, dike pumping stations, street lighting, lift stations and hospitals.

As a Branch/Project Manager for Bergstrom Electric, Inc., Mr. Penn is responsible for both the supervision and management of foreman/supervisors, journeymen, apprentices and the Thief River Falls service department. Some other duties include: estimating, project and service contract negotiating, project design build, advertising and new business development.

TRAINING/AFFILIATIONS

- St. James High School – Grand Forks, ND (1967)
- Graphics Illustrator/Draftsman, UND Medical School – Grand Forks, ND (1969-72)
- Drantze Metering and Power Analyzation Systems (1986)
- Ten (10) hours electrical continuing education – ND, MN and CO (yearly)
- Thirty-six (36) years in the electrical field
- Thirteen (13) years – Project Management
- Two (2) years – Service Manger
- Twelve (12) years - Estimator
- Two (2) years – Purchasing Agent/Project Coordinator
- Thirty-six (36) years – Journeyman Electrician
- Project Management Training Course – Purdue University (1998)
- Microsoft Computer Classes – Grand Forks School System (1998)
- Professional Electricians Program – I.E.C. – Dakotas, Inc. (1999 & 2000)
- Asbestos Awareness Training Course – Environmental Training Institute (Sept., 2001)
- Lead Awareness Training Course – Environmental Training Institute (Sept., 2001)
- School-To-Work Program – Grand Forks School System and Job Service of ND
- Safety Committee Member – Bergstrom Electric, Inc.
- Apprenticeship and Training Committee Chairman – I.E.C. – Dakotas, Inc.
- Advisory Committee Member – Northland Community Technical College
- Affiliate Partner – I.E.C. – Dakotas, Inc.
- Member – Builders and Traders Organization
- President – Townhome Association
- Mason – Kem Temple
- Shriner – Kem Temple

LICENSES/CERTIFICATIONS

- Minnesota Journeyman's License #AJ06342
- Colorado Journeyman's License #7879
- South Dakota Journeyman's License #3967
- First Aid and CPR Certified
- Certified Equipment Operator