ALL BMWED LOCAL LODGE
SECRETARY-TREASURERS

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

RE: 2019 STATE LEGISLATIVE CONVENTION

Article XII, Section 3 of the National Division By-laws governing State Legislative Boards and legislative activities, requires that your Local Lodge elect, at a Regular or Special Meeting held between January 1 and June 30, 2019, a Local Legislative Representative to serve as a member on the Legislative Board in your respective state to represent the lodge in legislative matters.

A Vice Legislative Representative should also be elected to take the place of the Local Legislative Representative if he or she is unable to carry out their respective duties. It is necessary for you to give the members in your lodge advance written notice advising them of the date, place, and time of the election meeting. The Local Legislative Representative and Vice Legislative Representative are elected to serve a four-year term to take effect January 1, 2020.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Article XII, Sections 4 and 6 of the National Division By-laws, Article II, Section 4(a)(1) of the IBT Constitution and Article 4.9 of the Merger Agreement provide that nominees for the position of Local Legislative Representative or Vice Legislative Representative meet the following requirements:

1. Effective January 1, 2006, any member in good standing of a Local Lodge, as provided in the Merger Agreement, falling under the jurisdiction of said State Legislative Board, shall be eligible to be nominated and elected to the position of State Legislative Director and Assistant State Legislative Director. The nominee must meet the “continuous good standing” requirements of Article II, Section 4(a)(1) of the IBT Constitution concerning the payment of dues for a period of twenty-four (24) consecutive months, together with no interruptions in active membership in the Local Lodge for which office is sought because of suspension, expulsion, withdrawal, transfer, or failure to pay fines or assessments.

2. Members who at the time of nomination for the position of Local Legislative Representative or Vice Legislative Representative must be a resident and registered and/or qualified voter of the state from which elected to serve.
3. For newly chartered Local Lodges in existence for less than 24 months, eligibility to office shall be governed by Article II, Section 4(b) of the IBT Constitution.

4. Retirees and annuitants are not eligible for election or re-election as Local Legislative Representatives.

NOTE: The Local Legislative Representative and Vice Legislative Representative must be members of the lodge they represent and residents of the state in which elected to serve. A lodge having membership in two or more states must elect a Local Legislative Representative in each of such states. For example, a lodge having membership in both Ohio and Michigan should elect a Local Legislative Representative in Michigan and a Local Legislative Representative in Ohio. A separate credential form is necessary for each state represented by one Lodge. Please contact the Washington, D.C. office of the BMWED-IBT and request additional credential forms if your Lodge has membership in more than one state. Please call (202) 508-6448.

NOTIFICATION TO THE NATIONAL DIVISION

As soon as your lodge has concluded its election, you should notify the National Division President of the results, by giving names and addresses of the Local Legislative Representative-elect in the Vice Legislative Representative-elect, together with all other pertinent information. A three-copy credential form is enclosed specifically for this purpose. Please make sure all copies are fully completed in accordance with the instructions on this form.

The original credential (white copy) is to be given to the newly elected Local Legislative Representative and the other two copies (pink and yellow), should be you forwarded by mail, in the enclosed pre-addressed envelope, to BMWE-IBT, 25 Louisiana Avenue, NW, Washington D.C. 20001.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact the office of Director of Government Affairs, Charlie R. Hogue, in the D.C. office. The office telephone number is (202) 508-6448.

In Solidarity,

[Signature]

Freddie N. Simpson
President

Enclosures: as stated

Cc: David Joynt, Secretary Treasurer
All National Division & System Officers
All State & Assistant State Legislative Directors
Charlie R. Hogue, Director or Government Affairs