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Dear Attorney Guedel;

I am writing to you regarding the Department of Homeland Security's move to begin requiring AFCIs in residential homes. I have been an Electrician for 25 years and have significant experience With AFCIs from my work a little more than a decade ago when we were installing them in Indianapolis. They were a disaster. We stopped installing them and pulling a significant amount of them out of the houses we did.

I would like to recommend that Indiana explore slowly adopting an AFCI requirement and only Require them for bedrooms, living rooms and dining rooms-and importantly not in kitchens and laundry rooms. AFCIs have significant problems of tripping when they shouldn't. Appliances with motors In them such as refrigerators and microwaves can set them off, creating a call back for electricians which in turn will cost us a lot of money and time since we have a warranty on our work for 1 year.

Requiring AFCI's for essentially an entire house, other than bathrooms, will cause real problems for electricians and contractors. Please, let us try them slowly and see if there are the same problems there Were ten years ago.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Matt Beckom

President/Owner