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Patricia A. Landis
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Dear Ms. Landis,

I am in agreement with nearly all of the proposed amendments to the regulations under Chapter 73 of the Private Licensed Schools Act, but I do have one suggestion.

Regarding Section 73.104. Instructor, for the qualifications of an instructor, I suggest that item (1) should be changed to read as follows:

"A degree at or above the level of the program, with a major in the specific program of instruction."

The current language requires a minimum of a baccalaureate degree in the program, but there are no baccalaureate degrees for the fields of study at many private licensed schools, including at Rosedale Tech. There are no baccalaureate degree programs for automotive repair or for heating, ventilation, and air conditioning. I believe that an Associates in Specialized Technology degree should be an acceptable qualification to teach in fields such as these.

Please contact me if you wish to discuss in more detail. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Dennis F. Wilke
President

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