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Sent: Wednesday, October 27, 2004 3:30 PM
To: Johnson, Elizabeth
Cc: Blackstone, James
Subject: Fw: Placement of graduates

Here you go, Beth:

May 2001 17
 May 2002 30
 May 2003 36
 May 2004 36 plus 6

Total: 125 have completed the academics.

As you know, all are employed. The majority stay with their contractor. Occasionally, employees quit, move out of the area, or change employers. Rarely does a contractor lay off a guy he just spent four years training. Some contractors require apprentices to sign agreements to work for some period after graduation in exchange for the contractors portion of the training. Placement is not an issue. Remember, we have a **full time employee** who is calling electricians (even those not trained by us) to urge them to work for our member contractors because of the SIGNIFICANT labor shortage we live with. (Yesterday I was on the phone with a private technical school in Minnesota. I told the staffer that if all his graduating class moved down here we could place all of them (he estimated as many as 20 might want to come to Florida) and indenture them as apprentices, if they qualify). Florida is critically short electricians and we can't train skilled ones fast enough.

As for the average pay: Based on our most recent survey, Journeyman in the Tampa market (whether licensed or not) working with tools average \$16.25 per hour. We believe our grads do better than average because ALL our program completers are LICENSED Journeymen in Hillsborough County. (If I'm not mistaken, we are your only program that can say that).

Does this answer your questions? If you want, I'll develop a power point on this for your Board. Let me know.

Respectfully, David

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From: Johnson, Elizabeth
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JD, How many graduates have you had each year and how does placement of your graduates work? Do they remain at their sponsors business? And what is they pay once they graduate?
 Sorry it is for our Board workshop.

Beth

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