

Regulatory Activity Summary

Date	May 30, 2024
Name	Hero Electric & Lighting Inc. & Mathieu Clark
Licensure Status at Time of Incident	Unlicensed
Administrative Action	Conviction after plea
Location	Ottawa
Regulation Description	 Operated an electrical contracting business without being the holder of an electrical contractor license contrary to s.3 of O. Reg. 570/05, and thereby did commit an offence contrary to section 113.20(1)(a) of the Electricity Act, 1998 x4; Prior to the commencement of work, failed to file with the Electrical Safety Authority a notification of the work to be done on an electrical installation, contrary to Rule 2-004(1)(a) of the 2018 Ontario Electrical Safety Code, which was adopted by reference in O. Reg. 164/99, and did thereby commit an offence contrary to s.113.20(4) of the Electricity Act, 1998 x4. Being Officer and Director of Hero Electric, failed to prevent Hero Electric from operating an electrical contracting business without being the holder of an electrical contractor license, contrary to s.3 of O. Reg. 570/05, and thereby did commit an offence contrary to section 113.20(4) of the Electricity Act, 1998 x2; Being Officer and Director of Hero Electric, failed to take all reasonable care to prevent Hero Electric from failing to file with the Electrical Safety Authority a notification of work performed on an electrical installation, contrary to Rule 2-



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	004(1) of the 2018 Ontario Electrical Safety Code, which was adopted by reference in O. Reg. 164/99, and did thereby commit an offence contrary to s. 113.20(4) of the Electricity Act, 1998 x2.
Description of Contravention	Mr. Clark was the Officer and Director of Hero Electric and Lighting Inc. Between February 23, 2021 and March 31, 2021, Hero Electric contracted with 8 separate residential homeowners in Ottawa for the completion of electrical work. Many homeowners believed they were contracting with another company who was licensed to complete electrical work. Neither Mr. Clark nor Hero Electric was a Licensed Electrical Contractor with the ESA.
	The electrical work was conducted at each of the properties by Hero Electric and was extensive in nature. None of the electrical work was completed by a Licensed Electrical Contractor. Hero Electric was paid for all the electrical work performed.
	No Notifications of Work were filed with the ESA for any of the electrical work performed on any of the properties in question.
Additional Information (if necessary)	After a plea, a joint position was put forth and accepted by the court. Hero Electric received a \$4500 fine each on counts 1 & 3 (No LEC) and a \$3000 fine each on counts 2 & 4 (NOW). Hero Electric also received a suspended sentence with 2 years of probation for convictions entered on Counts 5-8.
	Mr. Clark also received a suspended sentence with 2 years of probation on counts 1 -4 (Permit No LEC x2 and Permit NOW x2).
	The joint position balanced some unique mitigating factors, including some extenuating personal circumstances of Mr. Clark.
	The remaining counts were withdrawn. Mr. Clark and Hero Electric were granted 24 months to pay all fines imposed.