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## Update on Branch Boundary Adjustment — Top of the South Island

Dear Canterbury Westland and Wellington Branch Members,

We're writing to let you know about a recent decision made at the 67th Annual General Meeting of Master Electricians, which directly affects members based at the top of the South Island.

Following a formal motion passed at the AGM, the Association has approved a boundary adjustment that transfers members located in the top of the South Island, including Nelson, from the Wellington Branch into the Canterbury Westland Branch. This decision was made in line with Rule 11.2 of the Association's Rules, which requires that branch boundaries be determined by the membership at a General Meeting.

The proposal was brought forward after feedback and discussions within both affected branches and received support in the lead up to the AGM. The key drivers for this change are to ensure members in the region receive the best possible support, both operationally and logistically, and to align with the existing deployment of Regional Managers. With the Regional Manager for Canterbury Westland already based in the South Island, this shift will help streamline event coordination, improve accessibility, and enhance local engagement. We now have two Regional Managers covering the South Island, which further strengthens our ability to serve members across the wider region.

While formal consultation with members wasn't carried out prior to the AGM, the decision was made based on practicality and a genuine intention to better serve the region. It has also been raised and acknowledged at previous meetings of both the Wellington and Canterbury Westland Branches.

To ensure this change results in positive outcomes, we are planning a visit to the region in August to meet with members who would like to catch up, hear more about the decision, and share feedback.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch with either of us directly.

Kind regards,

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