

How to Restore Power to a Building: When a dwelling or commercial building has its electric service meter removed for a significant length of time, local electric utilities require approval from the County of Summit Division of Building Standards prior to restoring permanent electric service. For these instances, the County of Summit offers to perform a non-serious hazard visual inspection. This is designed as a one-time inspection and therefore if the inspection were to fail, all corrections shall be completed by a registered electrical contractor.

Step by Step Instructions

1. Contact the local electric utility, make application for electric service and obtain a customer work order number.
2. Complete the Summit County Building Standards visual inspection request form, and remit payment of inspection fee **(\$50.00)**.
3. Schedule the inspection with the County of Summit Division of Building Standards. This inspection will require both an interior and exterior evaluation of the electrical service system. It is the owner's responsibility to make arrangements or otherwise provide access to the building for County inspection personnel.
4. Upon approval of the inspection, the County of Summit Division of Building Standards will notify the serving electric utility for re-connection. Generally, the electric company will energize in 2 – 4 working days. If serious hazards are present, the inspection will fail, and the owner will be given a list of corrections to be completed by a registered electrical contractor. The electrical contractor will then secure an electrical permit for the repairs and schedule an inspection after the corrections are completed.