Explanation of Program Effectiveness

The public has come to rely on the safety provided by these Fire Alarm systems, and they must be maintained correctly. The licensing in Nebraska helps to ensure that systems installed and then inspected here are going to meet the unique topography and weather conditions for our state, as well as just maintaining the correct functionality. Many of these systems work collaboratively with fire suppression systems and maintaining accurate interplay is vital for life safety.

The certification requirement for Fire Alarm System Inspectors has been very effective because it ensures that persons performing the inspections are qualified to understand and utilized the code requirements for the systems. The Agency has adopted a new set of code standards and the continued testing program ensures that inspectors are up to date on the requirements. The Agency has created new test questions and continue to update with more questions. We have also started accepting a second nationally recognized licensing system (CFAT) to go along with the previous program, a NICET certification. These updates have allowed the maximum flexibility to companies to meet their hiring needs, but still maintain the needed level of safety.