AGENDA

BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS

862nd APPOINTMENT AND BUSINESS MEETING (PUBLIC SESSION) JANUARY 4. 2012

MEETING TO BE CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M. MEETING TO BE HELD IN THE SOMERSET CONFERENCE ROOM LOCATED ON THE 6^{TH} FLOOR ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

APPROVAL OF INITIAL LICENSES
APPROVAL OF INITIAL BUSINESS PERMITS
APPROVAL OF INITIAL BUSINESS PERMITS PREVIOUSLY EXPIRED
APPROVAL OF CHANGES IN BUSINESS PERMITS

Board to review applications for the written examination to be administered by Thomson Prometric.

PENALTIES

JOSEPH N. CARUSO, LICENSE #6951

1. Check #1029 in the amount of \$500.00 received from Joseph N. Caruso, License #6951, t/a Electric Power Inc-1, as the first installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$3,500.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9. The balance due is \$3,000.00.

WILLIAM PASSIONE, LICENSE #11485

2. Check in the amount of \$100.00 received from William Passione, License #11485, t/a B Passione Electric, as the twenty-first installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$3,500.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9; N.J.S.A. 56:8-1 et seq.; and N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.2. Payments started February 4, 2010 and the balance due is \$1,395.00.

AZMI K. BILGE, LICENSE #16313

3. Certified check in the amount of \$1,500.00 received from Azmi K. Bilge, License #16313, t/a Blagodat, Inc., as the first and final payment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,500.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.5(a); N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.5(e); and N.J.S.A. 45:5A-15.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

NATIONAL TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

4. Application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Mathew Blackburn, National Technology Transfer.

AMERICAN TRAINCO

5. Application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Nicola Donaven, American Trainco.

CHARLES AIKEY, LICENSE #6642

6. At its December 7, 2011 meeting, the Board reviewed a letter dated November 1, 2011, received from Charles Aikey, License #6642, requesting an extension to complete his Continuing Education Courses for the 2012 to 2015 renewal period. Mr. Aikey stated that he has been under the care of an orthopedic surgeon.

As per the Board's request, Mr. Aikey has provided medical documentation concerning his care.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 4384

7. Maryann Sheehan, Regulatory Analyst, to discuss with the Board Assembly Bill No. 4384 which revises the general provisions of Title 45 relating to the reinstatement of suspended or inactive professional and occupational licenses regulated by the Division of Consumer Affairs, the renewal of those licenses, and the reciprocity of those licenses with other states. The bill creates a streamlined reciprocity process, superseding provisions in individual practice acts, by allowing for quick licensure upon proof of out-of-state licensure from jurisdictions with "substantially equivalent" standards, even if there is no mutual reciprocity, along with: 1) evidence that the license is in good standing in the other jurisdiction; 2) a clean criminal history record background check, if required of other applicants; 3) the designation of an agent for

service of process if there is no New Jersey residence or office; and 4) a demonstration of prerequisites such as insurance coverage or a surety bond. Under the bill, applicants for licensure based on an out-of-State license will have six months to submit documentation concerning education, experience, and examination results. The bill sets out, with greater clarity, the process for reactivation of licenses that were affirmatively placed in inactive status and for reinstatement of licenses that expired and were administratively suspended by operation of law. Under the bill, applicants seeking reinstatement of an administratively suspended license will be obligated to pay additional fees—a reinstatement fee and the biennial or triennial renewal fee for the cycle immediately preceding the reinstatement. Thus the provision recognizes that there is a value to the Division of Consumer Affairs in having licensees submit the renewal and affirmatively elect inactive status, so that its database is current. This bill requires the division to provide notice that explains inactive renewal and advises the licensee of the option to renew as inactive. The bill replaces the current provision mandating that all those who were administratively suspended by operation of law for a period of more than five years re-take the initial licensing exam with a provision that allows the board to tailor remediation to address clinical deficiencies or educational needs, either as a condition precedent to restoration or as a requirement to be completed within a specified time frame after reactivation or reinstatement. The bill aligns the continuing education requirements for reactivating and reinstating applicants. Under the bill, reactivating and reinstating applicants must demonstrate that they have completed the continuing education that would have been required during the biennial or triennial period immediately preceding the renewal. For those practicing out-of-State during the period they were not authorized to practice in New Jersey, proof that they met the continuing education requirement in that state will suffice to meet New Jersey requirements. If the board has adopted specific course requirements, applicants will have 12 months to satisfy those requirements. (Copies distributed at the December 7, 2011 meeting)

WEBINAR COURSES

8. Maryann Sheehan, Regulatory Analyst, to discuss with the Board allowing licensees to attend Webinar Continuing Education Courses.