# 814th BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS (PUBLIC SESSION) - - - OCTOBER 3, 2007

The Board Minutes of October 3, 2007, have not been formally approved and are subject to change or modification by the Public Body at its next meeting of November 7, 2007. All requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" have been complied with according to N.J.S.A. 10:4-6.

The notice of the meeting has been mailed to the Newark Star Ledger, Camden Courier Post, and the Trenton Times, and also notice has been posted on the Bulletin Board at the office of the Secretary of State, Trenton, New Jersey.

Meeting of October 3, 2007, was called to order at 9:00 A.M.

The following members were present:

Mr. Joseph P. Schooley, Chairman

Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo

Mr. Robert A. McCullough

Mr. Richard T. Aicher, Jr.

Mr. Mitchell R. Malec

Mr. James H. Flaherty

Mr. Constantinos Papademas

Mr. Mitchell R. Malec left at 11:45 A.M.

Barbara A. Cook, Executive Director, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Marian Fiore, Sr. Management Assistant, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Kathleen Moran, Administrative Assistant, III, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Ginger R. Provost, Deputy Attorney General, Division of Law, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Also in attendance was Shawn Gianella, Coordinating Director, New Jersey Electrical Contractors Association and James Bibbo, Central Jersey Electrical League.

The Board saluted the Flag.

Minutes of the 813th Meeting held September 5, 2007, were not available for approval.

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. James H. Flaherty, and unanimously passed, to approve (12) Initial Licenses effective October 3, 2007 to March 31, 2009.

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Richard T. Aicher, Jr., and unanimously passed, to approve (14) Initial Business Permits effective October 3, 2007 to March 31, 2009.

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Robert A. McCullough, and unanimously passed, to approve (1) Initial Business Permit Previously Expired effective October 3, 2007 to March 31, 2009.

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Robert A. McCullough, and unanimously passed, to approve (3) Changes in Business Permits effective October 3, 2007 to March 31, 2009.

Check in the amount of \$100.00 received from James H. Gandy, Unlicensed, as the fifth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,500.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9 and N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3. Payments started

May 25, 2007 and the balance due is \$2,000.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

Check in the amount of \$200.00 received from Jay Alexander, Unlicensed, as the first installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$200.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9 and N.J.S.A. 56:8-1 et seq.

The Board accepted the payment.

Postal Money Order in the amount of \$300.00 received from Jack A. Giaimo, License #7375, as the sixth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$3,000.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9 and N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3. Payments started April 16, 2007 and the balance due is \$1,800.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

Check in the amount of \$500.00 received from Christopher Page, License #13710 as the fourth and fifth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,500.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9; N.J.A.C. 13:31-3.3 (c); and N.J.S.A. 56:8-1 et seq. Payments started July 3, 2007 and the balance due is \$1,250.00.

The Board accepted the payment.

Letter dated August 23, 2007, received from Neil J. Marascio, License #11719 (Expired) requesting that the Board reconsider its decision that he take and pass the electrical contractor's examination in order to regain his license #11719 which expired on April 1, 1997.

Motion made by Mr. Robert A. McCullough and seconded by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo, and unanimously passed, that a letter be sent to Mr. Marascio advising him that the Board is bound by the Uniform Enforcement Act, N.J.S.A. 45:1,1 et seq., which provides that a professional who fails to renew his or her license within 30 days of its expiration date "shall be suspended without a hearing." Once suspended, a license may be reinstated within five years following its date of expiration upon submission of a renewal application. However, the UEA also requires that an applicant seeking reinstatement of a suspended license more than five years past its expiration date shall successfully complete the examination required for initial licensure.

DAG Provost stated that even though the Statute is clear about the five years, there are situations that the Board could find exceptions in that an individual is competent in the field of electrical contracting and has attended the required continuing education. However, this is not the case as a significant amount of time has passed.

The sub-committee reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar approval received from Michael Merola.

Motion made by Mr. Robert A. McCullough and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, that five (3) courses, and instructors, are approved as submitted.

The sub-committee reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar approval received from Donald Frangipane.

Motion made by Mr. Robert A. McCullough and seconded by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec, and unanimously passed, that five (5) courses, and instructors, are approved as submitted. The previously approved courses are also approved. A letter is to be sent to Mr. Frangipane asking him whether or not Bob Frangipane, who is listed under "instructor names", will also teach the five new courses. If so, Bob Frangipane is also approved to teach the five new courses.

The sub-committee reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar approval received from Kevin Martin.

Motion made by Mr. Robert A. McCullough and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, that the previously approved courses are approved.

The sub-committee reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar approval received from Marcel Renson.

Motion made by Mr. Robert A. McCullough and seconded by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec, and unanimously passed, that a letter be sent to Mr. Renson advising him that the approval of the courses entitled "General Job Site Safety" and "General Job Site Safety & Basic First Aid" are being held in abeyance as the outlines provided are exactly the same; therefore, Mr. Renson is to provide a more accurate description of each course. Mr. Renson will also be advised that he did not provide a instructor's name on the application for the course entitled "General Job Site Safety and Basic First Aid". Mr. Renson will be further advised that course number 5 on his application does not have a course title nor an instructor's name. If Richard J. Orlando is teaching the course concerning the proper placement of smoke detectors, then Mr. Renson is to provide a better description of Mr. Orlando's background to show that he is qualified to teach this course. Mr. Renson is to also provide his sponsor number.

The sub-committee reviewed a letter dated September 18, 2007, received from Anthony T. Urbanik requesting that the Board approve Paul M. Kobliska to teach all approved courses under his sponsorship.

Motion made by Mr. Robert A. McCullough and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, that the Board approves Mr. Urbanik's request to allow Paul M. Kobliska to teach previously approved courses.

The sub-committee reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar approval received from Kennie Fried, Warshauer Electric.

Motion made by Mr. Robert A. McCullough and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, that the Board approves Ms. Fried's request to allow Edwin Miro to teach a previously approved course.

The Board reviewed its rule adoptions which were published in the New Jersey Register on September 17, 2007.

The Board requested that the following matter again be discussed.

Letter dated July 13, 2007, received from David A. Reif, Sr., Construction Official, Department of Community Affairs, asking whether or not plumbing and/or electrical contractors can perform gas piping; hydronic piping; boilers; warm air furnaces; air conditioning systems; fuel fired water heaters; and electrical water heaters without also possessing a home improvement contractors' registration certificate.

At its meeting held on September 5, 2007, the Board directed that a letter be sent to Mr. Reif advising him that the installation of gas piping, hydronic piping, boilers, and warm air furnaces is not considered electrical work. The installation of masonry chimney liners, vent liners, manufactured chimneys, B-vents, L-vents, direct vents, ducts, etc., is not within the scope of electrical contracting services; therefore a home improvement contractor's license would be required. The installation of a fuel fired water heater is not within the scope of electrical contracting; therefore a home improvement contractor's license would be required. The installation of an electric water heater, including disconnecting and reconnecting the existing electric, is considered electrical contracting work; therefore, a home improvement contractor's license would not be required.

The Board discussed the draft response prepared by Mr. Malec.

Mr. McCullough stated that Mr. Malec's draft is a very good starting point in explaining to Mr. Reif the Board's jurisdiction.

After a lengthy discussion, the Board directed that a letter be sent to Mr. Reif utilizing Mr. Malec's draft with some minor changes.

Signed cease and desist agreement received from Jay Alexander, North Cape May, New Jersey and Martin Marx, Point Pleasant, New Jersey.

The Board accepted the signed cease and desist agreements.

The Board reviewed applications for the written examination to be administered by Thomson Prometric. Fifty-seven (57) applications were approved.

Mrs. Cook stated that beginning with the April 2008 examination, the electrical contractor's trade portion of the examination will be on the 2008 Code.

Mr. Gianella asked the Board how one would determine whether or not a building was considered commercial or residential if a store is on the first floor and apartments are located on the upper floors?

Mr. Schooley stated that the Home Improvement Registration Division would have to address that question.

Mr. Giannella also stated that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:5A-18(a) contractors are not required to have a license and business permit to replace lamps and fuses. However, there are companies that are no longer replacing lamps in places such as gas stations and parking lots. The contractor opens the compartments, which are full of sockets, and they are changing the sockets instead of replacing the lamps.

Mr. Schooley stated that unlicensed individuals are not allowed to change the sockets.

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, that the Board go into Executive Closed Session to consider and to review consumer complaints, investigative reports and other information received pursuant to the Board's investigative authority in order to determine whether violations of the law, including Board regulations have occurred. The results of the deliberations will be made known when and if the Board determines to initiate disciplinary action or other law enforcement action.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 P.M.

A Business Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 7, 2007, at 9:00 A.M.

An Appointment Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 27, 2007, at 9:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. Cook
Executive Director

## INITIAL LICENSES APPROVED BY THE BOARD OCTOBER 3, 2007 EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 3, 2007 TO MARCH 31, 2009

- 1. Kelly S Bills 35 Berkeley Blvd. Iselin, NJ 08830
- 2. Orlando J Blanco 270 20th Avenue Paterson, NJ 07501
- 3. Barry E Franzoni 481 Bella Vista Road Brick, NJ 08724
- 4. Ronald Gierek 28 Clover Lane Upper Saddle River, NJ 07458
- 5. Brian T Hak 7235 Cedar Avenue Pennsauken, NJ 08109
- 6. Brian C Palaima 3650 Pheasant Lane Bethlehem, PA 18020

- 7. Antonios Patrikios 31 Farrington Street West Caldwell, NJ 07006
- 8. Michael R Struble 54 Smith Avenue Haskell, NJ 07420
- 9. Frederick B Sullivan 619 Corlies Avenue West Allenhurst, NJ 07711
- 10. Matthew J Weissert 10 Morgans Way Greenwood Lake, New York 10925
- 11. Steven O'Neil 22 Howard Street North Plainfield, NJ 07060
- 12. George Spies 43 Nelson Street Clifton, NJ 07013

## INITIAL BUSINESS PERMITS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OCTOBER 3, 2007 EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 3, 2007 TO MARCH 31, 2009

- 1. Becon Construction Company Inc (Joe R Brazeale) (Corporation) 50 Beale Street C/O R. D. Morris San Francisco, CA 94105 14194
- 2. Franzoni Electric LLC (Barry E Franzoni) (Limited Liability Company) 481 Bella Vista Road Brick, NJ 08724
- 3. Timothy J Frandak -T/A Acme Electric (Individual) 114 Musconetcong River Washington, NJ 07882 License #15536
- 4. Dark Star Electrical Contracting LLC (Ronald Gierek) (Limited Liability Company) 28 Clover Lane Upper Saddle River, NJ 07458
- 5. AEK Electric LLC (Albert E Kolatac) (Limited Liability Company) 89 Hopper Avenue Pompton Plains, NJ 07444 License #13491
- 6. Brian Palaima T/A New Era Electric (Individual) 3650 Pheasant Lane Bethlehem, PA 18020
- 7. A. P Electrical Contractor LLC (Antonios Patrikios) (Limited Liability Company) 31 Farrington Street West Caldwell, NJ 07006
- 8. Mike Struble Mechanical d/b/a Pristine Electric ( Michael R Struble) 54 Smith Avenue Haskell, NJ 07420
- 9. Schlack Electrical Contractors Inc (George Stevenson) (Corporation) 385 Roeloffs Road Yardley, PA 19067 License #12977
- 10. R. Sullivan Electric Inc (Frederick B Sullivan) (Corporation) 619 Corlies Avenue West Allenhurst, NJ 07711
- 11. Concepcion U Valesquez T/A Ulimar Electric (Individual) 2274 Elizabeth Avenue Scotch Plains, NJ 07076 License #15874
- 12. Weissert Electric Inc (Matthew Weissert) (Corporation) 10 Morgans Way Greenwood Lake, NJ10925
- 13. Designed Electric LLC (Steven O'Neil) (Limited Liability Company) 22 Howard Street North Plainfield, NJ 07060
- 14. George K Spies T/A George Spies Electrical Contractor 43 Nelson Street Clifton, NJ 07013

#### INITIAL BUSINESS PERMITS PREVIOUSLY EXPIRED

### APPROVED BY THE BOARD OCTOBER 3, 2007 EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 3, 2007 TO MARCH 31, 2009

1. Montana Electrical Decorating Corp. - (Matthew Totaro) - (Corporation) - 126 E. 131st Street - New York, NY 10037 - License #12814A

## CHANGES IN BUSINESS PERMITS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OCTOBER 3, 2007 EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 3, 2007 TO MARCH 31, 2009

- 1. Gray Connective Inc. (Kevin A Gray) (Corporation) Formerly Gray Associates 1350 Tatamy Road Easton, PA 18045 License #14058A
- 2. CJ Construction and Electrical Contractors LLC (Chad J Bacek) Limited Liability Company) Formerly Excel Electrical Contracting Inc (Corporation) 16 Renda Place Green Brook, NJ 08812 License #13346B
- 3. Ernest H Fletcher Electrical Contractor LLC -T/A Mr. Electric (Ernest H Fletcher) (Limited Liability Company) Formerly Ernest H Fletcher Electrical Contractor LLC -Limited Liability Company 31 Elwood Avenue Flemington, NJ 08822 License #5040B