# 870<sup>th</sup> BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS (PUBLIC SESSION) OCTOBER 3, 2012

The Board Minutes of October 3, 2012, have not been formally approved and are subject to change or modification by the Public Body at its next meeting of November 7, 2012, or soon thereafter as it may be considered. 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.

Board meeting of October 3, 2012, was called to order at 9:00 A.M. The following members were present:

Mr. Joseph P. Schooley, Chairman

Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo

Mr. Constantinos Papademas

Mr. Richard T. Aicher, Jr.

Mr. Arthur W. Jacobs, Sr.

Mr. Mitchell R. Malec

Mr. James H. Flaherty

Ms. Susan C. Michielli was absent.

David Freed, Acting Executive Director, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Kathleen Moran, Administrative Assistant 3, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

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

Also in attendance was Robert Spellman, Electrical Contractors Association of New Jersey.

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec, and unanimously passed, to approve (7) Initial Licenses effective October 3, 2012 to March 31, 2015.

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec, and unanimously passed, to approve (10) Initial Business Permits effective October 3, 2012 to March 31, 2015.

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec, and unanimously passed, to approve (3) Initial Business Permits Previously Expired effective October 3, 2012 to March 31, 2015.

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to approve (4) Changes in Business Permits effective October 3, 2012 to March 31, 2015.

Motion made by Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo and seconded by Mr. Richard T. Aicher, Jr., and unanimously passed, to approve the Minutes of the 869<sup>th</sup> Open Session Business Meeting held September 5, 2012.

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The Board reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Harry J. Reeb requesting approval of previously approved courses.

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to approve previously approved courses and instructors.

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The Board reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Marcel Renson requesting approval of previously approved courses.

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to approve previously approved courses and instructors.

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The Board reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Andrew Topinka, CPMR.

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to approve three (3) new courses and instructors.

The Board reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Kenneth Cerullo, Esq, The Commercial Agency, Inc.

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, that a letter be sent to Mr. Cerullo advising him that his request is being held in abeyance pending clarification of the number of hours for each course.

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The Board reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Anthony J. Neibert.

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to approve four (4) new courses and instructors and previously approved courses and instructors.

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Mr. Constantinos Papademas abstained from the following discussion and motion as he is listed as one of the instructors.

The Board reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Kennie M. Fried, Warshauer Electric Supply.

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. James H. Flaherty, and passed, to approve two (2) new courses and instructors.

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The Board reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Joe Freeman, South Jersey Electrical Inspectors Association.

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to approve one (1) new course and instructor.

The Board reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Jon M. Stephenson, Olympic Wire and Cable Corp.

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to approve previously approved courses and instructors.

At its September 5, 2012 meeting, Joseph McMullen of the Electrical Contractors Association of New Jersey, stated that townships are not consistent in requiring electrical contractors to obtain a permit to install CSST (corrugated stainless steel tubing) gas piping.

At its April 4, 2012 meeting, the Board reviewed an article regarding the installation of CSST (corrugated stainless steel tubing) gas piping. After review and discussion of the article, the Board made the following motion:

Motion made by Mr. Richard T. Aicher, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec, and unanimously passed, that although a New Jersey licensed electrical contractor is the most qualified person to perform the bonding, the Board's position is that it is not required that a licensed electrical contractor install the bonding clamps and conductor provided that the connection to the grounding electrode system is outside the service enclosure; i.e. to the electrical system grounding electrodes with the appropriate ground clamp, to the foundation rebar when the electrical system employs a Ufer ground, to the electrical system grounding electrode conductor if it is of sufficient size, to other grounding electrodes (lightning) if integrated with the electrical system, or copper water pipe if it serves as primary grounding electrode. The Board notes that this position is applicable only for installations required to be inspected and are inspected per the State Uniform Construction Code.

After further discussion, the Board authorized that a letter be sent, under the Chairman's signature, requesting that the Department of Community Affairs publish an article in the Construction Code Communicator advising that it is the Board's position that the installation of CSST (corrugated stainless steel tubing) gas piping does not fall within the jurisdiction of electrical contracting.

Charles Aikey, License #6642, was granted an additional six months to take his continuing education courses for the 2012 renewal period. The extension expired September 2012.

E-Mail dated September 12, 2012, received from Mr. Aikey stating that he is attending 9 hours of code changes and the one hour of laws, rules, and regulations on September 11 and 13, 2012.

Mr. Aikey also stated that he has scheduled the remaining classes to be completed on November 18, 2012.

Mr. Aikey requests that he be allowed additional time so that he may complete the scheduled courses.

Motion made by Mr. James H. Flaherty and seconded by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec, and unanimously passed, that a letter be sent to Mr. Aikey advising him that the Board has granted his request for an second extension to complete the remaining continuing education courses. Mr. Aikey will be advised that the extension will expire on December 2, 2012.

Letter dated June 8, 2012, received from Gail Torrelio, The Basic Basement Company, stating that their advertisement includes "our experienced electricians and plumbers are licensed and insured".

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. James H. Flaherty, and unanimously passed, that a letter be sent to Ms. Torrelio advising her that the Board is offering her the opportunity to resolve this matter upon the signing of an acknowledgment wherein she agrees to cease and desist from the advertisement of electrical services in the future, unless or until The Basic Basement Company has obtained a business permit from the Board; or unless The Basic Basement Company

include the following statement, or a statement of similar effect, in all future advertisements: "All electrical work performed by New Jersey licensed electrical contractors."

Joseph Schooley stated that he has been advised that the website lists individuals who have applied to take the examination. Mr. Schooley also stated that he is concerned that consumers do not realize that these individuals may not have even been approved to take the examination.

Mr. Freed stated that the licensing system reflects all individuals who have submitted an application for examination. Mr. Freed also stated that he has a meeting with MIS to discuss L2K (licensing system). Mr. Freed further stated that he is unsure if MIS has the ability to remove those pending applicants from the system. Mr. Freed stated that he will find out if a glossary of the status of applicants can be included on the website.

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Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst, appeared before the Board to discuss drafting language requiring the renewal of telecommunications wiring exemptions.

Mr. Malec stated that the Board is concerned that applicants who have been issued the exemption are no longer with that company, and the company continues in business.

Mr. Schooley stated that the Board began issuing the exemptions in 1993 and has no way of knowing if that individual is still with the company or if the company is even in existence.

Mr. Manning stated that he is unsure if the Board's request is possible based on the Statute.

DAG Donofrio stated that the Board needs some type of control mechanism to ensure that the person who has applied for the exemption is still with the company, the company is still in existence, or has even changed its' name.

Mr. Freed stated that the regulations require the exempt entity to notify the Board of any changes in name, address, or ownership. However, it is the Board's opinion that the exemption holder is not making it aware of these changes.

Mr. Manning stated that without statutory authority, it would be difficult to require additional regulations as it may be viewed as an additional burden on businesses. Mr. Manning also stated that he could attempt to draft language which would require the renewal of Telecommunications Wiring Exemptions.

Mr. Schooley asked that the Board first ascertain how many exemptions have been issued to date.

This matter is being held in abeyance.

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The Board reviewed applications for the written examination to be administered by Thomson Prometric. (23) applications were approved.

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Motion made by Mr. Richard T. Aicher, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to 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.

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Meeting adjourned at 2:30 P.M.

An Appointment Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 17, 2012 at 9:00 A.M.

An Appointment and Business Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 7, 2012, at 9:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

David Freed Acting Executive Director

### INITIAL LICENSEES APPROVED BY THE BOARD OCTOBER 3, 2012 EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 3, 2012 TO MARCH 31, 2015

- 1. Andrey Malkov
- 2. Duc V. Vo
- 3. Scott Williamson
- 4. Robert W Papin
- 5. Robert J Desopo
- 6. Vincent Liberto
- 7. Stephen Hughes

#### INITIAL BUSINESS PERMITS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OCTOBER 3, 2012 EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 3, 2012 TO MARCH 31, 2015

- 1. A V M Electric Corp. (Andrey Malkov) (Corporation) 250 Gorge Road, Apt 25-L, Cliffside Park, NJ 07010
- 2. Vo Electrical and Mechanical Contractor LLC (Duc V Vo) (Limited Liability Company) 354 Stegman Parkway Jersey, NJ 07305
- 3. Williamson Electrical Contracting LLC (Scott Williamson) (Limited Liability Company) 310 Saddle Court Flemington, NJ 08822
- 4. Payne Crest Electric Inc (Robert W. Papin) (Corporation) 1041 Baur Boulevard Saint Louis, MO 63132
- 5. Lawrence Braun t/a Braun Electric (Individual) 7 Bridge Water Way Farmingdale, NJ 07727 License # 6065
- Thomas A Tomaro t/a Thomas A Tomaro Electrical Contractor (Individual) -742A Walnut Street - Dunellen, NJ 08812 - License #17305
- 7. NJ NEC Inc (Daniel S Palka) (Corporation) 60 Palisade Avenue Suite 101 Garfield, NJ 07026 License #16683
- 8. Ocean Coast Electric LLC (Rocco A Reffie) (Limited Liability Company) 24 Yorkshire Drive Toms River, NJ 08753 License #16956
- 9. USR Electric LLC (Vincent Liberto) (Limited Liability Company) 19 Long Bow Drive - Sewell, NJ 08080
- 10. S Hughes Electric Company LLC (Limited Liability Company) 1014 Traymore Avenue - Absecon, NJ 08201

## APPROVED BY THE BOARD OCTOBER 3, 2012 EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 3, 2012 TO MARCH 31, 2015

- 1. Ronald R Birchler t/a A/C Electrical Maintenance & Construction (Individual) 201 Beachwood Avenue Villas, NJ 08251 License #8263A
- 2. Phase Linear Electrical Contracting Inc (Vincent A Ciasullo) (Corporation) 29 Harvest Avenue E. Hanover, NJ 07936 License #11676A
- 3. USIS Electric, INC. (James Bodrato) (Corporation) 35 West Jefferson Avenue Pearl River, NY 10965 License# 11383A

## CHANGES IN BUSINESS PERMITS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OCTOBER 3, 2012 EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 3, 2012 TO MARCH 31, 2015

- Stephan Paul Electric LLC (Stephan Paul) (Limited Liability Company) -Formerly - Alive Wires Electric LLC - (Limited Liability Company) - 635 Glen Road - Sparta, NJ 07871 - License #15571B
- Inter Phase Electric Corporation (Gregory M Spina) (Corporation) -Formerly - DMS Power & Lighting Corp - (Corporation) - 79 Rocklyn Avenue -Lynbrook, NY 11563 - License #7348C
- 3. Deutsch Electric & HVAC, LLC (Benjamin F Deutsch) (Limited Liability Company) Formerly Frank Deutsch Electrical Contractor (Individual) 110 Greenvale Road Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 License #13092A
- 4. Vision Electric Group Inc. (Joshua Hall) (Corporation) Formerly Elite Electric 7 Lighting LLC (Limited Liability Company) 33 Gross Avenue Edison, NJ 08837 License #17272A