EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Construction Industry Licensing Board

General Information
Meeting type: General Board Meeting
Meeting dates: October 12-14, 2005, Embassy Suites Hotel, Fort Lauderdale, FL
Board members: Joan M. Brown, Chair, Paul DelVecchio, Vice Chair, Michelle B. Kane, Edward M. Weller, Barry Kalman, Lee-En Chung, Robert Stewart, Don Wilford, Michael Blankenship, Carl E. Engelmeier, Jacqueline Watts, Raymond Holloway, Mark Pietanza, Doris O. “Peggy” Bailey, Jim Flaherty
Board members absent: Thomas Thornton (Excused)
Board Counsel: Diane Guillemette
Department Staff: Tim Vaccaro, Stacey Merchant, Andrew Janecek, Patrick Creehan, Adrienne Rodgers, Valeria Singleton
Other Attendees: Secretary Simone Marstiller

Major Issues/Actions

• Secretary Marstiller introduced herself during Final Action and pledged the department’s continued support to the board. The board greeted the Secretary with great enthusiasm.

• The board considered a petition for declaratory statement filed by Evap Tech regarding whether s. 489.105, F.S. requires licensure for the installation and repair of water cooling towers. The board determined that Evap Tech did not provide sufficient information upon which the board could make a ruling. Therefore, it declined to render an opinion and suggested that Evap Tech file a more detailed petition.

Legislation/Rule Promulgation

• Pursuant to Senate Bill 1012, the Rules Committee voted to adopt an application form and associated fee for those null and void certified licensees who request reinstatement of their licenses based upon illness or unusual hardship. Board Counsel will notice development of a rule to adopt the application form and the fee of $309

• The Rules Committee continued its discussion regarding revisions to the disciplinary guidelines set forth in Rule 61G4-17.001, FAC, based upon the increased fine limits created by HB 113. The committee decided to postpone any decisions on the matter until November to allow the members additional time for consideration.

• The Rules Committee voted to amend Rule 61G4-12.008, F.A.C., to eliminate an indefinite tolling provision for licensees who leaves the practice of contracting for more than 30 days. As amended the rule will only authorize tolling for those licensees who are suspended or elect inactive status.

• The Rules Committee voted to amend Rule 61G4-15.001, F.A.C., to authorize Florida-registered contractors to verify the experience of applicants for initial certified licensure. The current rule provides for verification by Florida-certified contractors, and by architects, engineers, and building officials licensed in the U.S.

Action Required

• Diane Guillemette, Board Counsel, will address the board’s requests regarding rulemaking. Tim Vaccaro, Executive Director, will coordinate with the Division of Service Operations regarding the implementation procedures for the application to reinstate null and void certification.