

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board

General Information

Meeting Type: General Board Meeting

Meeting Date: July 10-11, 2003, Omni Suites Hotel, Jacksonville, FL

Board Members: Michelle Poole, Chair
Clarence Tibbs, Vice Chair
Arnaldo Abreu
Pierre Bellemare
Kimberly DeBerry
Roger Langer
Norman Mugford
Lewis Roberts
Paul Sandefer
Rae Small

Other Attendees: Anthony Spivey, Executive Director
Gregory Spence, Government Analyst
Gail Scott-Hill, Prosecuting Attorney
Rosanna Catalano, Assistant Attorney General

Major Issues/Actions

- The board discussed additional business entities and the respective license numbers being assigned. When an individual licensee has an initial license number issued, and desires to obtain an additional business in which to qualify, the LicenseEase system is assigning a separate license number to the additional entity. Prior to the current licensing system, an alpha suffix character was assigned to the subsequent license using the same initial license number to identify any additional business entity. The concern of the board is that under the new licensing system; in the event of a discipline action against a licensee with more than one licensed electrical/alarm business, action could be taken against one business but not necessarily the others. The Office of the General Counsel has been apprised of the board's concern and is now reviewing the issue with the department's technology section to determine the best solution to this issue.
- The board was briefed regarding the handling of licensees that have not taken the core course for continuing education for their renewal. The board was apprised that thirty days after renewal, a query would be run to determine the number of licensees that have not completed the core

course. The licensees will be allowed to renew their license but will be notified of the deficiencies in hours.

Midway through the biennium, another query would be run to determine the number of licensees still lacking the required core course completion. At this time, the list would be presented to the board for recommended action.

- Endorsement applications were presented to the board for review. The board voted to have all future endorsement applications forwarded to the Bureau of Education and Testing for review prior to the information being presented for board review. In reviewing an endorsement application, the applicant must supply to the department, a copy of the examination criteria used from the state a license was received in order for the board to determine if the examination provided met or exceeded the examination criteria for the State of Florida. The Bureau of Education and Testing will perform the examination review and provide an opinion to the board. Based on a favorable opinion and approval the board will use this information for future endorsement applications from the respective state.
- The board would like to see at future meetings information regarding all cease and desist orders issued. The prosecuting attorney will work with the unlicensed activity office in obtaining the information for presentation.

Action Required

- Prepare a letter of thanks to board member and his wife, Paul and Judy Sandefer and Kevin Tighe of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) for sponsoring the evening reception for the board.

Anthony B. Spivey
Executive Director
July 14, 2003