EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Electrical Contractors’ Licensing Board Meeting

Meeting Type: General Board Meeting
Meeting Date: January 17-19, 2007, Casa Monica Hotel, St. Augustine, Florida

Board Members: Paul Sandefer, Chair
Pierre Bellemare, Vice Chair
Clarence Tibbs
Donald Penner
Roger Langer
Bob Bramlett
Rachel Small
Lewis Roberts
Norman Mugford
Curtis Falany

Members Absent: Jeff Kiner – Excused
Lewis Roberts - Excused

Other Attendees: Anthony B. Spivey, Executive Director
Ruthanne Christie, Administrative Assistant
Reggie Dixon, Assistant Attorney General
Drew Winters, Prosecuting Attorney

Major Issues/Actions

• The probable cause panel heard six administrative complaints during the panel hearing. Probable cause was found in four administrative complaints and the remaining two were issued letters of guidance. Two closing orders were also heard resulting in one being closed because of no evidence and one closed with a letter of guidance.

• The board reviewed a declaratory statement submitted by Outdoor Lighting requesting exemption from licensing as a franchisor. The company supplies outdoor lighting supplies to franchisees that install the product in residences and businesses. These franchisees are required to be licensed by the Electrical Contractors’ Licensing Board. Based on the review of the declaratory statement indicating the franchisor (Outdoor Lighting) only sells and does not install the product, the board agreed that no license is required by the company Outdoor Lighting.

• The board discussed the issue that some counties do not require individuals to pull a permit to install landscape lighting in and around buildings. This type of installation is under the limited energy specialty license category. The board requested that an invitation be extended to the Department of Community Affairs to discuss the code issue regarding this matter in an attempt to make jurisdictions more aware of the requirement. An invitation will be extended to DCA to attend the next meeting in March.
The Continuing Education committee reviewed draft language for Rules 61G6-12.001 and 61G6-12.002, F.A.C., regarding Burglar Alarm System Agent and Fire Alarm System Agent, initial and continuing education training. After review of the draft language the committee recommended to the board that the initial 14-hour training should be conducted in a classroom instructor led environment allowing for only ten percent of the class being conducted in a video-based format. The committee also suggested the six-hour agent continuing education course could be taken in a format based upon the Internet if desired, but not video. The board suggested further review of the language should be done before submitting as a proposed rule change. The board will take up further discussion of this issue at its next meeting in March.

Favorable comments were extended to the Central Intake Unit by the board. The board members were pleased with the overall appearance and organization of the files which made it easier to review the information.

The board reviewed a proposed schedule of upcoming meetings for the 2007-2008 fiscal year. The proposed dates are:

- July 26-27, 2007
- September 20-21, 2007
- November 15-16, 2007
- January 17-18, 2008
- March 13-14, 2008
- May 14-16, 2008

Anthony B. Spivey
Executive Director
January 23, 2007