

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### **Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board Meeting**

**Meeting Type:** General Board Meeting

**Meeting Date:** March 13-14, 2008, Orlando Metropolitan Resort, Orlando, Florida

**Board Members:** Pierre Bellemare, Chair  
Clarence Tibbs, Vice Chair  
Roger Langer  
Donald Penner  
Paul Sandefer  
Noel Thomas  
Brian Flaherty  
Kenneth Hoffmann

**Members Absent:** Reagan Huff - excused  
Robert Bramlett - excused  
Sandra MacGowan - unexcused

**Other Attendees:** Anthony B. Spivey, Executive Director  
Ruthanne Christie, Government Analyst  
Michael Flurry, Assistant Attorney General  
Drew Winters, Prosecuting Attorney

### **Major Issues/Actions**

- The chair welcomed Mr. Flaherty and Mr. Hoffmann as new members of the board. Mr. Flaherty will serve as an electrical board member replacing Jeff Kiner, and Mr. Hoffmann will serve as an alarm board member replacing Norm Mugford.
- The board voted to designate Ms. MacGowan's absences from the meeting as unexcused as attempts by staff to reach her have been unsuccessful.
- The prosecuting attorney presented one case for disciplinary review by the board. The board approved the prosecuting attorney's recommendations. The case resulted in the license being revoked. Mr. Winters also presented information indicating there are a total of 46 cases being reviewed in legal pertaining to electrical and alarm contractors.
- A request for a declaratory statement was presented to the board regarding workers' compensation requirements of electrical contractors. The board denied the request of the petitioner, because the request did not follow procedural requirements.
- The Executive Director discussed the financial status of the board regarding the current deficit. A proposal was presented to the board for a fee increase of the application and renewal fees to relieve the board of the deficit. The board agreed to increase the application fees for certification by examination from \$150.00 to \$200.00; initial registration fee will increase from \$100.00 to \$150.00; renewals for certified license holders will increase from \$250.00 to \$295.00, and the renewal fee for

registered license holders will increase from \$100.00 to \$120.00. This fee increase will be effective with the August 2008 renewal cycle.

- The Executive Director provided a briefing to the board outlining travel requirements when traveling on board business. The briefing contained information on how to complete the travel vouchers and the requested timeframes to submit their information for reimbursement.
- The board held discussions on what type of contractor can do solar energy work. This is a specialty category under the Construction Industry Licensing Board. The electrical board would like to see more detailed information defined in Rule 61G4-15.021, Florida Administrative Code, as to when the contractor can do the solar work and when the electrical contractor is required to perform the work. The board Executive Director will coordinate with the Executive Director for the Construction Industry Licensing Board to plan a joint meeting between the two groups to discuss the issue.

Anthony B. Spivey, Executive Director