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CONTRACTORS BOARD TAKES DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST FIVE CONTRACTORS IN NORTHERN NEVADA

(Reno, NV) - At its meeting on June 7, 2006, the Nevada State Contractors Board adjudicated cases involving five contractors.

Eureka Builders Inc., license number 19657 (General Building) based out of Carson City, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to include the monetary license limit or license number on a contract or proposal; failure to include the required Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; failure to provide a name, license number, business address and telephone numbers of all subcontractors contracted on the project; and acting in the capacity of a contractor beyond the scope of the license. The licensee was fined \$800 and ordered to pay investigative costs. A letter of reprimand was placed in the licensee's file for one year. The fines and investigative costs are to be paid within 180 days, or the license will be suspended.

Hamlin Development Co. Inc., license number 47827A (Residential & Small Commercial), based out of Reno, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with the Board's notice to correct; and failure to respond to a written request from the Board. The licensee was ordered to pay the homeowner \$3,500 and pay investigative costs within 120 days, or the license will be suspended.

Vincent S. Carlese, license number 53665 (Residential and Small Commercial) based out of Reno, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with the Board's notice to correct; failure to include the Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; abandonment of a construction project; failure to comply with the terms of a contract; failure to include the monetary license limit or license number on a contract or proposal; willful disregard of the building laws; and failure to establish financial responsibility. The license was revoked. The licensee was fined \$1,100 and ordered to pay full restitution to the homeowners and reimburse the Board for fines and investigative costs and any claims that may be paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund.

John Horn Construction, license number 56614 (Carpentry) based out of Reno, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to include the required Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; failure to include the monetary license limit or license number on a contract or proposal; acting in the capacity of a contractor beyond scope of the license; and willful disregard of the building laws. The licensee was fined \$700 and ordered to pay investigative costs within 120 days, or the license will be suspended.

Visionscape of Sierra Nevada, license number 53260 (Landscape Contracting) based out of Reno, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with the Board's notice to correct; failure to respond to a written request from the Board; failure to comply with a written request from the Board; failure to include the Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; failure to provide the name, license number, business address and telephone numbers of all subcontractors contracted on the project; abandonment of a construction project; acting in the capacity of a contractor beyond the scope of the license; willful disregard of the building laws; failure to properly execute a construction project causing material injury to another; contracting on a name not on the license; contracting with an unlicensed contractor; bidding or contracting beyond the established license limit; and failure to establish financial responsibility. The license was revoked. The licensee was ordered to pay full restitution to the homeowners, pay investigative costs and any claims paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund.

***The Business Review Program is one in which a contractor's business practices and regulatory compliance is examined by NSCB investigative staff. The program is a part of NSCB's proactive investigative efforts.**

The Nevada State Contractors Board is committed to protecting the public's health, safety, and welfare through licensing and regulation of the construction industry. Under Nevada Revised Statutes, a licensee is subject to disciplinary action by the Board for failure to comply with the requirements of the laws or regulations governing contractors. Violations may result in Board action against the contractor's license. The State Contractors Board has the power to regulate contractors and discipline licensees who violate NRS 624. Disciplinary action may consist of a fine of up to \$10,000 per offense, order corrective action, suspension, revocation or other action.

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