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## Unlicensed Traveling Contractors' Alert Issued!

The Nevada State Contractors Board is warning homeowners and commercial businesses to be cautious of an alleged unlicensed paving company currently traveling throughout the Clark County area. Several light blue, red, white and black dump trucks with the name **Paving** written on the sides were sighted at a Blue Diamond area truck stop on Tuesday, March 4, 2008. Owners of these trucks, along with those with no name on the sides, were also towing paving equipment that included front loaders and blacktop spreaders. These vehicles had California, Montana and Pennsylvania license plates.

Unlicensed contractors traditionally crisscross the United States in groups. Typically, they target the elderly with door-to-door solicitations, claiming to be in the neighborhood with leftover materials, quoting low prices and using high-pressure sales tactics.

Historically, these types of traveling pavers' workmanship are substandard and will deteriorate rapidly. Anyone approached by representatives from **Paving** are urged to

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contact the Nevada State Contractors Board Investigation Unit immediately at:  
(702) 486-1100, Ext. 1144.



**These dump trucks were recently sighted in the Blue Diamond Area**

Contacting without a license in Nevada is a misdemeanor for the first offense, a gross misdemeanor for the second offense and a Class E felony for the third offense.

The Nevada State Contractors Board offers these 10 tips to protect yourself from being scammed:

1. Hire only licensed contractors.
  2. Check the contractor's license number by calling the Nevada State Contractors Board at (702) 486-1100 in Southern Nevada, or (775) 688-1141 in Northern Nevada, or go to our website at: [www.nscb.state.nv.us](http://www.nscb.state.nv.us)
  3. Get three references and review past work.
  4. Get at least three bids.
  5. Get a written contract and do not sign anything until you completely understand the terms.
  6. Pay 10 percent down or \$1,000, whichever is less, if a deposit is required.
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7. Don't let payments get ahead of the work. Keep a record of all payments.

8. Don't make a final payment until you are satisfied with the job.
9. Don't pay cash.
10. Keep a job file of all papers relating to your project.

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