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STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION
April 17, 2009
MINUTES OF MEETING
STATE ELECTRICAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

The special meeting of April 17, 2009 was called to order by Laurence A. Vallieres, Chairman, at 1:00 p.m. in Room 126 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present: Laurence A. Vallieres, Contractor, Chairman
 Ronald Bish, Contractor
 David Munsill, Journeyman
 John W. Yusza, Electronic Technician

Members Absent: Roger L. Johnson, Jr., Journeyman
 Douglas A. Reid, Journeyman
 Raymond a. Turri, Contractor
 Kenneth B. Leech, Journeyman
 Stephen W. Knight, Public Member
 Eric B. Collett, Public Member
 Iris Papale, Public Member

Member Vacancy: This Board currently has One (1) Public Members

DCP Staff Present: Richard Hurlburt, Director
 Occupational & Professional Licensing Division
 Sallie Pinkney, Electrical Board Secretary

General Public; Jack Guerrera Lisa Hutner
 Eugene Plunkett Charlie Morgan
 Paul Costello

The next regular meeting of this Board is scheduled for Friday, May 8, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 117.

Note: The administrative functions of this Board are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information, call Director Richard M. Hurlburt at (860) 713-6135 or visit www.ct.gov/dcp.

1. Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m. the Chairman reminded everyone to place their cell phones on “silent”.
2. Review of the Electrical Board Agenda:
 - a. The Chairman noted that there was not a quorum, and that no items would be vote on. This meeting will be a informational only.
3. Appearing before the Board at the Board’s request: None
4. Request to Appear Before the Board: None
5. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today: None
6. CHRO Applicants: None
7. CHRO Renewals: None
8. Review of Application(s) for Licensure Examination: None
9. Applicant (s) for Licensure Appearing in Person: None
10. Request for Renewal of License: None
11. Request for Reinstatement: None
12. Request for Reconsideration: None
13. Request to Suspend: None
14. Proposed Settlements and/or Stipulations Containing Consent Orders: None
15. Settlements Agreements: None
16. Stipulation Agreements: None
17. Notice of Continuance: None
18. Request to Dismiss or Request to Dismiss Without Prejudice: None
19. Request to Revise: None
20. Request to Reopen: None
21. Review of Examination Results: None

- a. Electrical None
- b. TV & Radio: None

22. Review of Correspondence: None

23. Old Business: None

24. New Business:

- a.** The Meeting was held to gather information to prepare a Photo Voltaic License Curriculum.
- b.** Connecticut Legislation requirement for The Photo Voltaic License is as follows.
 - i. Photo Voltaic Limited Journey Person (PV2) - completion of 1 year Apprenticeship training or equivalent experience/training
 - ii. Photo Voltaic Limited Contractor (PV1) – 2 years as a PV2
 - iii. The equivalent experience is to be determined by the Electrical Examining Work Board. No formal apprentice training has been established.
- c.** CT Clean Energy Fund
 - i. If a consumer would like to have a Solar System installed in their home they must go through the CT Clean Energy Fund and meet their requirements.
 - ii. Clean Energy Fund Requirement as follows:

Applications should reflect the license installers as staff people or subcontractors and the installers have to hold a CT Photo Voltaic Limited Contractor (PV 1) or a Unlimited Electrical Contractor (E1); or a qualified installer who training consist of installation supervisor, who has taken the PV Installation Training Course, and has served as the Lead Installer during 3 installations or: has assisted 10 installations as an apprentice; or PV1 or E1 who install a grid type systems can use as one of the required installation.
- d.** The Electrical Examining Work Board Chairman feels that the training courses offered for the PV license does not offer code or safety courses, therefore he is concern that applicants can cause harm to themselves and consumers. Photo Voltaic is not low voltage and could be dangerous. The Chairman feels the additional requirement should include a certificate from 1 PV training course/installation; Electrical Code training course as

(article 690 reference PV); and a OSHA/Safety training course that would cover working on roofs, ladders, eye protections etc.

- e. Eugene Plunkett of Alteris Renewables is a CT, MA & RI license holder and does PV installations. He does training in PV installations, and has installed over 350 Solar Systems. He thinks the requirement should be as stated by the EWB Chairman. He had additional concerns regarding where the PV work stop. Larry stated that
- f. Charlie Morgan of Alteris Renewables PV2 license holder in CT stated that Alteris is seeking guidance to direct their people on the right path to obtain a PV license. Therefore, a specific curriculum would benefit his company and staff people.
- g. Jack Guerrero question if there is a PV Training Course that is offered in CT, and who will teach the course, because there is not a lot of inquiries at the present time, but feels later the numbers will increase. Larry stated that after reviewing current course that are being taught in various areas that are being proposed to be required to do PV installations (courses listed above) those courses will be included in the curriculum to teach the PV Training Course.
- h. The overall discussion was concluded that all attendees were in agreement with the requirements and the Curriculum for the PV license. Chairman Vallieres will seek an opinion at May's EWB meeting from other board members.

25. Formal Administrative Hearings: None

26. Matters Previously Heard Pending Decision: None

27. Final Decisions Pending Signature: None

28. Adjournment: **The Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Sallie R. Pinkney, Secretary
State Electrical Examining Work Board