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## STATE CONTRACTORS BOARD TAKES DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST THREE CONTRACTORS

**LAS VEGAS, NV** – At its meeting on December 18, 2001, the Nevada State Contractors Board adjudicated cases against three licensed contractors.

*Empire Roofing,* license number 33573 (Roofing) based out of Las Vegas, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statutes Chapter 624 for failure to pay for materials and services; failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint; and failure to establish financial responsibility. A one-year letter of reprimand was placed in licensee's file.

Complete Construction and Remodeling, license numbers 39988 (Landscape and Irrigation) and 39989 (Residential and Small Commercial) and 39990 (Awnings and Louvres) based out of Carson City, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statutes Chapter 624 for willful disregard for state building laws and failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint. A two-year letter of reprimand was placed in licensee's file and licensee was ordered to pay full restitution and investigative costs.

**R B M Concrete Construction,** license number 40337A (Concrete) based out of Las Vegas, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statutes Chapter 624 for failure to pay for materials and services; failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint; failure to establish financial responsibility; failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or proposal; and failure to report to the Board a change of address or personnel. The Board revoked the license of R B M Concrete Construction Inc.

The Nevada State Contractors Board offers the following helpful tips for consumers when dealing with contractors:

## 10 TIPS FOR MAKING SURE YOUR CONTRACTOR IS ON THE LEVEL

- 1. Hire only licensed contractors.
- 2. Check the contractor's license number by calling 1-702-486-1100 in southern Nevada or 1-775-688-1141 in northern Nevada or doing a <u>License Check</u> by visiting our website at: www.state.nv.us/nscb/.
- 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% down or \$1000, whichever is less if a deposit is required.
- 7. Don't let payments get ahead of work. Keep records of payments.
- 8. Don't make the final payment until you're satisfied with the job.
- 9. Don't pay cash.
- 10. Keep a job file of all papers relating to your project

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.

The Board will convene next in Reno, NV on January 8, 2002.