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CONTRACTORS BOARD TAKES DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST SEVEN CONTRACTORS IN SOUTHERN NEVADA

(Henderson, NV) - At its meetings on Aug. 16, 2006, the Nevada State Contractors Board adjudicated cases involving seven contractors.

Desert Custom Contracting, Inc. license number 45976 (Residential & Small Commercial) based out of Las Vegas, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with the regulations of the Board; failure to comply with the terms of a construction contract; failure to include the monetary license limit or license number on a contract of proposal; failure to include the required Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; contracting with an unlicensed contractor; and failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$3,700, ordered to pay investigative costs, provide a financial statement within 30 days and ordered to update license information with the Secretary of State within 30 days.

Plumb Builders Inc. license number 41089 (Residential & Small Commercial), ***Mastercraft Kitchens, LLC, dba MC Kitchens***, license number 59817 (Carpentry), and ***Mastercraft Construction Inc., dba Nexlev Construction***, license number 59818 (Residential & Small Commercial) based out of Las Vegas, NV, were found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to provide money due for materials or services; failure to respond to a written request from the Board; failure to establish financial responsibility; substandard workmanship; failure to comply with the regulations of the Board; failure to include the Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; failure to provide name, license number, business address and telephone numbers of all subcontractors contracted on the project; abandonment of a construction project; for the partnership, corporation, firm or association participating in a prohibited act; and willful or deliberate disregard of the building laws of the State. The licensee was fined \$26,000, ordered to pay investigative costs and ordered to pay homeowners restitution. ***The Plumb Builders, Inc.*** and ***Mastercraft Kitchens, LLC*** licenses were revoked.

Affordable AM PM Plumbing, Inc., dba Affordable AM PM Plumbing license numbers 49498 (Plumbing) based out of Pahrump, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to pay money due for materials or services; failure to respond to a written request from the Board; substandard workmanship; failure to comply with the regulations of the Board; failure to include Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; willful disregard of the building laws of the State; failure to include the monetary license limit or license number on a contract or proposal; and failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$6,500, ordered to pay investigative costs, ordered to pay subcontractors and submit a current financial statement within 30 days.

Shiple Construction Inc., license number 33734 (Residential & Small Commercial) based out of Las Vegas, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with the regulations of the Board; failure to include the required Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; contracting with an unlicensed contractor; and failure to establish financial responsibility. The licensee was fined \$2,100, ordered to pay investigative costs, ordered to pay the homeowner restitution and submit a current financial statement within 30 days.

W.C.S.U., Inc., dba Monuments Backyard Experience, license numbers 56257 and 56258 (Carpentry) based out of Henderson, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with the regulations of the Board; failure to comply with the terms of the contract; failure to properly execute a construction project causing material injury to another; 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 the scope of a license; and failure to comply with the regulations of the Board. The licensee was fined \$7,800, ordered to pay investigative costs, pay restitution to the homeowners, reimbursed Residential Recovery Fund in the amount of \$7,551, and ordered to take and pass the law and trade exams for a carpentry license.

New Phase Construction, Inc., license number 48446A (Residential & Small Commercial) based out of Las Vegas, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with the regulations of the Board; failure to respond to a written request from the Board; failure to include the required Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract or proposal; abandonment of a construction project; failure to give required disclosures; failure to establish financial responsibility; failure to comply with a written request from the Board; and failure to notify the Board of a change in address. The licensee was ordered to pay restitution to all damaged parties, reimburse monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund, and ordered to pay investigative costs. The license was revoked.

Preferred Concrete, Inc., license number 51837 (Concrete Contracting) based out of Las Vegas, NV, was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with the regulations of the Board; failure to respond to a written request from the Board; failure to include the monetary license limit or license number on a contract or proposal; willful disregard of the building laws of the State; failure to establish financial responsibility; failure to comply with a written request from the Board; misrepresentation of material fact; misrepresentation; and contracting without a license. The licensee was ordered to pay full restitution to all homeowners, reimburse the Board for monies paid out of the Residential Recovery Fund and pay investigative costs. The license was revoked.

****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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