BEFORE THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS

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COMPLAINANT

Case #2015-06

Antoine A. Berenyi

RESPONDENT

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER

The Arkansas Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors (hereinafter “the Board”) and Antoine Berenyi, (hereinafter “Respondent”) agree as follows in full settlement of the charges in this matter.

ALLEGATIONS OF FACT

A1. The Respondent was licensed as a Professional Engineer in Arkansas from September 24, 2004 until December 31, 2008.

A2. On November 13, 2014 Christian Horton applied for PE Comity Licensure. Mr. Horton’s application listed his employer as Berenyi, Inc. and current projects in Arkansas as Nucor in Hickman, Arkansas

A3. Respondent’s firm applied for Certificate of Authorization to offer or provide engineering services in Arkansas on June, 16, 2015.

A4. Prior to the Respondent’s Certificate of Authorization being issued, the Respondent’s firm conducted engineering services in Arkansas.

A5. The Respondent’s firm’s website listed engineering services provided to Nucor’s steel plant in Hickman, Arkansas.
CHARGES

C1. If proven true, the conduct of the Respondent, as set forth above in the Allegations of Fact, constitutes one count of the unlicensed practice, or offer to practice, engineering in Arkansas, in violation of Article 1.A of the Rules of the Board.

C2. If proven true, the conduct of the Respondent’s firm, as set forth above in the Allegations of Fact, constitutes one count of offering and/or providing engineering services in Arkansas without obtaining a Certificate of Authorization from the Board, in violation of Arkansas Code Annotated §17-30-303.

CONSENT AGREEMENT

In the interest of a prompt and speedy settlement, consistent with the public interest and the responsibilities of the Board, the undersigned parties enter into this Consent Agreement as a final disposition of these matters presently before the Board.

1. The Respondent has been advised by legal counsel and has chosen to proceed with the understanding that the facts and conduct described above in the Allegations of Fact are admitted.

2. In lieu of a formal hearing, the Respondent agrees to the following Order and waives all rights to a hearing, appeal or judicial review relating to the Order or charges. Respondent acknowledges that this Consent Agreement and Order is not effective until accepted by the full Board.
3. The Respondent understands that all investigative materials prepared or received by the Board concerning these allegations and all notices and pleadings relating thereto may be retained in the Board's file concerning this matter.

ORDER

For each of the violations described above, the Respondent shall pay to the Board a civil penalty of Five Hundred ($500) dollars per violation for a total of One Thousand ($1,000) dollars. The total civil penalty shall be paid to the Board with in fifty (50) days of service of this Order.

AGREED TO BY:  

Signature of Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24 day of February, 2016

Notary Public

My commission expires: July 14, 2016

AGREED TO AND ORDERED BY:

Heather Richardson, Executive Director
Arkansas Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors