

STATE OF ALABAMA BOARD OF LICENSURE
FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS

IN THE MATTER OF:)

Mr. Ralph Robert Schenck, PE)
1652 Sherwood Drive)
Valparaiso, IN 46385)

Respondent)
_____)



Case No. 2017-22-B

CONSENT ORDER

Ralph Robert Schenck, a licensed professional engineer (hereinafter referred to as "Respondent") hereby stipulates and agrees, subject to approval of the Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") as follows:

STIPULATED FACTS

Respondent stipulates he received an Alabama professional engineer license (number 33343) from the Board on January 25, 2013.

Respondent stipulates the Board initiated a complaint that alleged he voluntarily surrendered his State of Kentucky professional engineer license as part of a disciplinary action.

Respondent stipulates on April 14, 2017 he agreed to a Consent Decree with the Kentucky State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors in which he voluntarily waived his rights and elected to surrender his State of Kentucky professional engineer license.

STIPULATED CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent admits he is subject to the provisions of Title 34, Chapter 11, of the Code of Alabama 1975, § 34-11-11 and the jurisdiction of the Board.

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TO: DIRECTOR, NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS
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FROM: DR. J. H. GOLDSTEIN
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RE: POLYMERIZATION OF VINYL MONOMERS

The following information is being furnished to you for your information and for use in your work. It is based on the results of a study of the polymerization of vinyl monomers in the presence of various catalysts. The study was conducted by Dr. J. H. Goldstein and his associates in the Department of Chemistry, University of Chicago, during the period from 1955 to 1957.

The results of this study indicate that the rate of polymerization of vinyl monomers is significantly affected by the presence of various catalysts. The rate of polymerization is generally increased by the presence of certain catalysts, while it is decreased by the presence of others. The effect of the catalysts on the rate of polymerization is dependent upon the nature of the monomer and the conditions of the reaction.

The following table summarizes the results of the study. The table shows the rate of polymerization of various vinyl monomers in the presence of different catalysts. The rate of polymerization is expressed as a percentage of the rate of polymerization in the absence of the catalyst.

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Respondent stipulates his conduct as set forth in the foregoing "Stipulated Facts" constitutes violations of Title 34 Chapter 11 Code of Alabama 1975 Section 34-11-11(a)5 and the Rules of the Administrative Code § 330-X-14-.06(a)1.

Respondent stipulates his conduct as set forth in the "Stipulated Facts" is a violation of those statutes set forth above, and he is subject to disciplinary action under Title 34, Chapter 11, Code of Alabama 1975, § 34-11-11.

STIPULATED DISPOSITION

Respondent agrees he will not in the future violate the provisions of Title 34, Chapter 11, of the Code of Alabama 1975, and the Rules and Regulations of the Administrative Code of the Board.

Respondent understands this Consent Order and subsequent Final Order will become a matter of public record. Respondent further understands this information will be placed on the Board's website, in its newsletter, and posted to the National Council of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors (NCEES) Enforcement Exchange.

Respondent agrees to surrender his Alabama professional engineer license immediately upon the Board issuing the Final Order in this matter.

Respondent understands he cannot seek reissuance of his Alabama professional engineer license until such time as his State of Kentucky professional engineer license has been returned to active status.

Respondent understands this Consent Order is subject to the approval of the Board and has no force and effect until a Final Order based upon it is rendered by the Board.

Respondent understands in order to make a decision relative to approving this Consent Order discussions must take place between Board Members, Board Staff and Board Counsel. Respondent understands that this discussion will take place at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.

Respondent understands he has the right to seek the advice of legal counsel. Respondent also understands he has the right to a formal fact-finding hearing before the Board,

to compel the testimony of witnesses, to cross-examine witnesses against him, and to obtain judicial review of the Board's decision in said formal hearing but expressly waives these rights with execution of this Consent Order and Final Order of the Board.

Respondent expressly waives all further procedural steps, and expressly waives all rights to seek judicial review or to otherwise challenge or contest the validity of the Consent Order, the stipulated facts, conclusions of law and imposition of administrative action contained herein, and the Final Order of the Board incorporating said Consent Order.

Respondent, for the purpose of avoiding further administrative action with respect to this cause executes this Consent Order. It is agreed that presentation to and consideration of the Consent Order by the Board requires certain factual information related to this matter be disclosed to the Board members. Should the Consent Order not be accepted by the Board, it is therefore expressly agreed that the reviewing, and consideration of this Consent Order, and the information provided to the Board for their review, shall not unfairly prejudice the Board and shall in no way act to disqualify any Board member from any further participation in this matter through its resolution, including, but not limited to, any contested hearing on this matter should one be necessary. Likewise, if this Consent Order is not accepted, the Board shall not take into consideration the contents of this Order as evidence of an admission.

SIGNED this the 16th day of March, 2018


Ralph Robert Schenck, PE

APPROVED:


Benjamin H. Albritton
Assistant Attorney General

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FINAL ORDER

The Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors having considered the Consent Order signed by Ralph R. Schenck, Professional Engineer, (hereafter referred to as Respondent) in which he stipulated he violated the Code of Alabama 1975, §34-11-11(a)5, and the Administrative Code of the Board, Rule § 330-X-14-.06(a)(1) hereby adopts the Consent Order and issues this Final Order.

The Consent Order and Final Order take immediate effect upon the signing of this Final Order and the Respondent is **ORDERED** to abide by the Consent Order and Final Order as approved by the Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.

ENTERED this the 27th day of March 2018.

RECUSED

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