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

IN THE MATTER OF:

Mr. Jim Skilton Southern Corrosion Inc 738 Thelma Road Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

Respondent



Case No. 2017-06-C

CONSENT ORDER

Jim Skilton, of Southern Corrosion Inc (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 on December 8, 2016, the Board received a complaint from Mr. William C. Ulrich Jr., regarding Respondent possibly violating Title 34 of the Code of Alabama.

Respondent stipulates that when he completed the Daikin Vendor Qualification Form, he indicated that his firm, which works throughout the Southeast, has the capacity to offer engineering, welding, and painting contracting services, though engineering services were not being offered to Daikin or to others in the State of Alabama at the time.

Respondent stipulates his firm's internet website contains language that states "Engineered Tank Care" and "Our water tank maintenance programs are designed and approved by on-staff engineers."

Respondent stipulates his firm did not have a certificate of authorization issued by the Board that would authorize it to offer or provide engineering services in the State of Alabama, at the time he completed the Daikin form and offered services to Daikin.

Respondent has since obtained such a certificate for the State of Alabama.

STIPULATED CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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

Respondent stipulates his conduct as set forth in the foregoing "Stipulated Facts" constitutes a violation of one or more of Title 34, Chapter 11, <u>Code of Alabama</u> 1975, § 34-11-16(a)(1) and § 34-11-16(a)(2).

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

STIPULATED DISPOSITION

Respondent shall not in the future violate the provisions of Title 34, Chapter 11, <u>Code of</u> <u>Alabama</u> 1975.

Respondent understands this Consent Order and subsequent Final Order will be a public record, and this information will be placed on the Board's website and in its newsletter.

Respondent shall submit to the Board with this signed Consent Order a check made payable to PE/PLS Fund in the amount of four hundred dollars (\$400) for the cost of the investigation. Respondent shall also submit to the Board with this signed Consent Order a civil penalty in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1000) via a check made payable to the State of Alabama General Fund.

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 agrees to comply with the terms of this Consent Order and understands failure to comply with the terms of the Consent Order may result in additional charges or discipline.

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 the discussion will take place at a regularly scheduled meeting of

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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 as evidence of an admission and all stipulations hereinabove are thereby rescinded.

SIGNED this the day of 2017.

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Southern Corrosion Inc

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 Jim Skilton of Southern Corrosion Inc, in which he stipulated the firm violated the Code of Alabama 1975, §34-11-16(a)1 and §34-11-16(a)2 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 9th day of May 2017.

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Nathan G. Johnson

Randall D. Whorton

<u>M. Elisabeth</u> M. Elisabeth Hyde

DID NOT ATTEND

Richard G. Grace

RECUSED

Marc S. Barter