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**October 18, 2018**, in Nashville Tennessee.



Vivian Hixson, Chair



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William Scott Cockroft



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# Minutes

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**ALARM SYSTEMS CONTRACTORS**

**BOARD MEETING**

**October 18, 2018**

**DAVY CROCKETT TOWER  
500 JAMES ROBERTSON PARKWAY, ROOM 1B  
NASHVILLE, TN 37243**

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**TRANSCRIPT OF BOARD MEETING**

**Commencing at 9:00 a.m.**

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**A P P E A R A N C E S**

**BOARD MEMBERS**

Captain Vivian L. Hixson, Chair

William Scott Cockroft

John Keith Harvey

Doug Fraker

Lou Richard

**ALSO PRESENT**

Ashley Thomas, Staff Attorney

Cody Vest, Executive Director

Shauna Williams, Administrative Assistant

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1 MR. COCKROFT: Second. 09:01:41

2 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: We have a motion by 09:01:42

3 Mr. Harvey, a second by Mr. Cockroft, to adopt our 09:01:43

4 agenda for today's meeting. All in favor voice by 09:01:45

5 saying aye? 09:01:47

6 THE BOARD: Aye. 09:01:48

7 CHAIRMAN VALENTINE: All opposed? Our 09:01:49

8 agenda is adopted. 09:01:50

9 The next items are the minutes from the 09:01:52

10 August the 23rd and August the 24th Board meeting, 09:01:56

11 and the August 23rd declaratory meeting. Have the 09:02:00

12 members had an opportunity to review those, and if 09:02:04

13 so, a motion to approve as presented? 09:02:07

14 MR. FRAKER: I make the motion to approve 09:02:14

15 the meeting minutes from the 23rd and the 24th as 09:02:15

16 presented. 09:02:19

17 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: And the declaratory 09:02:21

18 meeting? 09:02:23

19 MR. FRAKER: Yes. 09:02:24

20 MR. HARVEY: Second. 09:02:26

21 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: We have a motion by 09:02:26

22 Mr. Fraker to approve the minutes from the 23rd and 09:02:27

23 24th of August Board meeting and the 24th declaratory 09:02:31

24 hearing, and a second by Mr. Harvey. All in favor 09:02:37

25 voice by saying aye? 09:02:39

1 THE BOARD: Aye. 09:02:41

2 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: All opposed? The 09:02:42

3 motion's approved. 09:02:43

4 Our legal report? Ms. Thomas, are you 09:02:45

5 handling it today? 09:02:50

6 MS. THOMAS: It will be me this morning, 09:02:50

7 Mr. Huffman is unable to attend today's meeting. So 09:02:51

8 we'll jump right into the legal report. 09:02:54

9 The first case is 2018044611. 09:02:57

10 Complainant alleges that Respondent installed an 09:03:03

11 alarm system at Complainant's business. Complainant 09:03:05

12 alleges the system has never worked properly. 09:03:09

13 Complainant alleges that many calls have been made to 09:03:12

14 the Respondent, and the technicians that respond are 09:03:16

15 unable to get the system working properly. 09:03:16

16 Complainant alleges constant false alarms and cameras 09:03:19

17 that are not connected to the system as they should 09:03:23

18 be. 09:03:24

19 Respondent provided a response to counsel 09:03:26

20 and stated that new cameras had been sent to the 09:03:29

21 Complainant and that a technician had been dispatched 09:03:33

22 to remedy the problem. As of August 14, 2018, the 09:03:35

23 problem had not been corrected, however, Respondent 09:03:37

24 continues to find a solution. 09:03:40

25 The recommendation of counsel is this is 09:03:42



1 more of a contract or service dispute, and the 09:03:45  
2 recommendation is to close. 09:03:47

3 MR. HARVEY: I make a motion to concur 09:03:53  
4 with counsel. 09:03:55

5 MR. COCKROFT: Second. 09:03:56

6 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: We have a motion by 09:03:56  
7 Mr. Harvey, a second by Mr. Richard, to concur with 09:03:58  
8 our counsel's recommendation. All in favor voice by 09:04:02  
9 saying aye? 09:04:05

10 THE BOARD: Aye. 09:04:06

11 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: All opposed? The 09:04:07  
12 motion carries. 09:04:08

13 MS. THOMAS: Case number 2 is 2018045751. 09:04:08  
14 Complainant alleges the following: Respondent has 09:04:15  
15 failed to repair or replace equipment that was 09:04:17  
16 reported faulty in September of is 2017, failed to 09:04:20  
17 provide service, but still accepts monthly payments, 09:04:23  
18 fraudulently represented the need for a new contract, 09:04:27  
19 and failed to send repair service or return phone 09:04:30  
20 calls. 09:04:33

21 Respondent responded to the complaint and 09:04:34  
22 states that Complainant's account was sold by an 09:04:36  
23 independent dealer with a first year service 09:04:38  
24 obligation and installed on May 17, 2017. Respondent 09:04:41  
25 states that service was performed for Complainant on 09:04:47

1 September 27, 2017. Respondent states that when 09:04:49  
2 Complainant contacted them for service again in 09:04:54  
3 October and requested a different technician, 09:04:56  
4 Respondent contacted the local independent dealer in 09:04:59  
5 an attempt to get them to complete the request. 09:05:02  
6 After the call, it was determined that the 09:05:04  
7 independent dealer no longer services in the 09:05:07  
8 Complainant's area. 09:05:09  
9 Respondent states that the system 09:05:11  
10 operated as intended, but due to the cameras being 09:05:12  
11 inoperable, the Complainant requested the contract to 09:05:16  
12 be cancelled. Respondent cancelled the contract and 09:05:19  
13 offered reimbursement of half of what had been paid 09:05:22  
14 on the account. Respondent states that the 09:05:24  
15 Complainant accepted the offer. The contract and 09:05:26  
16 service has been cancelled. 09:05:29  
17 The recommendation is to close. 09:05:30  
18 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: This is not the same 09:05:33  
19 company in 1 and 2, is it? 09:05:35  
20 MS. THOMAS: They are the same company, 09:05:38  
21 actually. 09:05:40  
22 MR. HARVEY: I make a motion that we will 09:05:54  
23 follow the guide of counsel. 09:05:56  
24 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Okay. We have a 09:06:01  
25 motion by Mr. Harvey to concur with counsel. Do we 09:06:02

1 have a second? 09:06:05

2 MR. RICHARD: Second. 09:06:11

3 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: And a second by 09:06:11

4 Mr. Richard. All in favor voice by saying aye? 09:06:12

5 THE BOARD: Aye. 09:06:15

6 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: All opposed? The 09:06:16

7 motion carries. 09:06:17

8 MS. THOMAS: And case Number 3 is 09:06:18

9 2018052051. Complainant alleges that they were 09:06:22

10 called to assist in installing a Mag lock and IEI 09:06:27

11 keypad on a door at a business. Upon arrival, 09:06:33

12 Complainant asked the person who was there who was 09:06:37

13 paying for the work, and an employee of the business 09:06:39

14 responded and stated that the IT company was supposed 09:06:41

15 to be doing the job and that they had already 09:06:43

16 installed the cameras and security system at the 09:06:46

17 business. Complainant then looked up the business 09:06:48

18 name that the employee gave them and discovered that 09:06:51

19 they were not licensed. Complainant billed the 09:06:53

20 Respondent for the two hours that they had 09:06:56

21 technicians on the site. Complainant alleges that 09:06:58

22 Respondent refused to pay the bill and argued about 09:07:01

23 licensure. 09:07:04

24 Respondent has not responded to the 09:07:05

25 complaint. 09:07:07

1                   The recommendation is to authorize a                   09:07:07  
2                   formal hearing and send a consent order with a civil           09:07:09  
3                   penalty in the amount of \$1,000 for engaging in                   09:07:12  
4                   unlicensed activity in violation of Tennessee Code               09:07:15  
5                   Annotated 62-32-304(a).   09:07:19  
6                   MR. HARVEY: Did we do an investigation                           09:07:25  
7                   on this, or just she said/he said?                                   09:07:26  
8                   MS. THOMAS: There was not an                                       09:07:30  
9                   investigation completed on this one, I think it's               09:07:31  
10                  just based off of what was received from the               09:07:33  
11                  Complainant.   09:07:36  
12                  MR. COCKROFT: And the Respondent never               09:07:37  
13                  responded?   09:07:38  
14                  MS. THOMAS: That's correct. So what was           09:07:39  
15                  put in the summary about what the Respondent said,   09:07:41  
16                  all came from the Complainant.                       09:07:45  
17                  MR. COCKROFT: I make a motion to concur           09:07:53  
18                  with the recommendations of our counsel.           09:07:54  
19                  MR. FRAKER: Second.                                   09:07:58  
20                  CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: We have a motion by           09:07:58  
21                  Mr. Cockroft, a second by Mr. Fraker, to concur with   09:08:00  
22                  our counsel's recommendation. All in favor voice by   09:08:04  
23                  saying aye?   09:08:08  
24                  THE BOARD: Aye.                                       09:08:08  
25                  CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: All opposed? Motion           09:08:09

1 carries. 09:08:10

2 MS. THOMAS: That concludes the legal 09:08:11

3 report for this meeting. 09:08:12

4 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Thank you. 09:08:14

5 MS. VEST: Can I ask the Board, what is 09:08:15

6 an Mag lock and IEI? 09:08:17

7 MR. COCKROFT: An mag lock is the big 09:08:20

8 lock that goes at the top of the door that holds the 09:08:22

9 door shut, and IEI is a brand of a keypad that you 09:08:25

10 use for access control to unlock the door. 09:08:28

11 MS. VEST: So it's just a lock and 09:08:31

12 keypad? 09:08:34

13 MR. COCKROFT: Right. That's what he was 09:08:34

14 installing, but he was -- I take it that the person 09:08:35

15 doing that was licensed for that work, the 09:08:37

16 Complainant was -- is a licensed company? 09:08:41

17 MS. THOMAS: That's correct. 09:08:44

18 MR. COCKROFT: So they were licensed -- 09:08:44

19 it's access control. But their complaint was about 09:08:45

20 the camera system and was it also a security system? 09:08:50

21 MS. THOMAS: Right, when they -- they got 09:08:53

22 called in because whoever -- the unlicensed person 09:08:55

23 that was there probably got into work that was beyond 09:08:58

24 their knowledge base, and so they had to call in an 09:09:01

25 actual licensed person to complete the job. 09:09:03

1 MR. COCKROFT: My understanding was that 09:09:05  
2 the location had contracted with a data company that 09:09:07  
3 wasn't licensed, probably do the cameras, security 09:09:10  
4 system, and the access control, then they needed help 09:09:13  
5 putting the lock in, and the person they called is 09:09:15  
6 who turned them in. 09:09:17

7 MS. VEST: I just didn't know that 09:09:19  
8 terminology, just want to make sure we knew what we 09:09:20  
9 were talking about. Thank you. 09:09:24

10 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Okay. Next on our 09:09:26  
11 agenda are the appearances for today. 09:09:27

12 MS. VEST: Yes, we just have one 09:09:30  
13 appearance. That's Robert Tople. He's already 09:09:33  
14 signed in. The gentleman's back here with his 09:09:38  
15 qualifying agent. You do have his information there, 09:09:40  
16 it's going to take you a few minutes to look it over. 09:09:43  
17 Or you can actually talk to him, I think you got like 09:09:45  
18 300 pages of it or some -- 09:09:48

19 MS. WILLIAMS: They did not get the TBI. 09:09:51

20 MS. VEST: Never mind. It's going to 09:09:53  
21 take a few minutes to look at it. Give the Board 09:09:55  
22 just a couple minutes to look at it. 09:10:03

23 THE BOARD: (Board viewing documents.) 09:10:05

24 MS. VEST: He was -- you did review the 09:10:10  
25 criminal record last meeting and asked for him to 09:10:12

1 come in. That's why he's here. Sir, are you ready 09:10:14  
2 to come up, please? It'd probably help if he gave 09:13:46  
3 you a little background. 09:13:53  
4 MR. TOPLE: Good morning. 09:13:55  
5 THE BOARD: Good morning. 09:13:56  
6 MR. TOPLE: Good morning, where do you 09:13:57  
7 want me to begin? 09:14:02  
8 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Are you Mr. Tople? 09:14:03  
9 MR. TOPLE: I am Mr. Robert Tople, yes. 09:14:05  
10 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Okay. Tell us about 09:14:08  
11 yourself and about this incident that happened with 09:14:11  
12 the -- 09:14:13  
13 MR. TOPLE: It's a long time ago. 09:14:15  
14 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: -- your business 09:14:17  
15 that failed. 09:14:18  
16 MR. TOPLE: My best friend at that time 09:14:19  
17 came up with a business opportunity to open up what 09:14:22  
18 we called an Ebay store, when Ebay was up and coming. 09:14:27  
19 And business was doing very well. We'd buy products, 09:14:32  
20 sell it online, and so forth. And my former partner 09:14:39  
21 and best friend embezzled a quarter of a million 09:14:42  
22 dollars, approximately, from the corporation and 09:14:47  
23 fled. 09:14:51  
24 The customers that were still owed 09:14:53  
25 product or a refund -- and I tried to refund as much 09:14:55

1 as I can, until I completely ran out of money. He 09:14:59  
2 fled the country. The detectives that were 09:15:03  
3 investigating the situation actually went after him 09:15:07  
4 first, but to no avail, they were not able to get 09:15:10  
5 him. So because I was still here, I needed to take 09:15:15  
6 responsibility and make sure that the victims were 09:15:19  
7 compensated for his -- for his actions. So it was 09:15:25  
8 ruled by the courts that I would be on probation with 09:15:29  
9 restitution until the debt was completely paid off. 09:15:34  
10 That's the short version of it. 09:15:38

11 MR. COCKROFT: What was the approximate 09:15:42  
12 amount of the debt? It said in there how much he 09:15:44  
13 embezzled, but it didn't say how much was owed -- 09:15:49  
14 what you were having to pay in restitution or what 09:15:53  
15 was left on that. 09:15:57

16 MR. TOPLE: 230,000 something dollars. 09:15:57

17 MR. HARVEY: So the amount he embezzled 09:16:01  
18 is the amount -- 09:16:03

19 MR. TOPLE: Correct, yeah. 09:16:03

20 MR. HARVEY: And how far along are you in 09:16:06  
21 that? What do you still owe at this time? 09:16:08

22 MR. TOPLE: Well, the -- the sentence was 09:16:10  
23 30 years probation with restitution. I'm halfway 09:16:15  
24 through my probation period. And I make monthly 09:16:19  
25 payments every month. And I report every month to my 09:16:22



1 probation officer. Here it's different because I 09:16:31  
2 just moved here from south Florida a few months ago. 09:16:34  
3 In south Florida I would report monthly, here they 09:16:36  
4 do -- based on the review and my no risk factor, I 09:16:40  
5 only see my probation officer quarterly. 09:16:48  
6 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: So you are halfway 09:16:54  
7 through your probation, so does that mean you have 09:16:55  
8 paid half of the restitution? 09:16:58  
9 MR. TOPLE: Yes. Yes, I have. 09:17:00  
10 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: So there's still 09:17:01  
11 118,000, give or take, due? 09:17:04  
12 MR. TOPLE: Yes. 09:17:06  
13 MR. FRAKER: According to your shirt, you 09:17:13  
14 are working for a sprinkler company? 09:17:16  
15 MR. TOPLE: Century Fire Protection. 09:17:18  
16 MR. FRAKER: Century Fire Protection. 09:17:20  
17 And you are wanting to do the electronic part, I'm 09:17:22  
18 assuming? 09:17:25  
19 MR. TOPLE: Fire alarm. 09:17:26  
20 MR. FRAKER: Fire alarm versus just pipe 09:17:27  
21 fitting. 09:17:30  
22 MR. TOPLE: Correct. 09:17:31  
23 MR. FRAKER: I understand. 09:17:31  
24 MR. TOPLE: I have been doing it now for 09:17:32  
25 18 years. 09:17:36

1 MR. COCKROFT: So you did that in 09:17:38  
2 Florida? 09:17:39  
3 MR. TOPLE: Yes. 09:17:39  
4 MR. RICHARD: Is this sales or -- 09:17:41  
5 MR. TOPLE: Yes, this is. I am in sales, 09:17:43  
6 yes. 09:17:50  
7 MR. COCKROFT: What product were you 09:17:51  
8 selling at the time? 09:17:52  
9 MR. TOPLE: It was a vast variety, 09:17:53  
10 anything from board games to electronics. 09:17:55  
11 MR. COCKROFT: So the amounts that people 09:17:58  
12 were owed were -- it was just a lot of them, they 09:17:59  
13 were relatively small? 09:18:03  
14 MR. TOPLE: Yes. We did very high volume 09:18:05  
15 in sales. So when my former partner embezzled and 09:18:08  
16 fled, we had a lot of customers that were still owed 09:18:16  
17 product. We -- as a business, we have 15 days to 09:18:19  
18 ship out. And because of the volume that we did, 09:18:24  
19 we -- we were waiting on stock to come in to get out. 09:18:29  
20 But when all this came down, we shipped out 09:18:33  
21 everything that we had in the warehouse. And 09:18:35  
22 whatever was left over, as funds were coming in, they 09:18:38  
23 were being sent back to the customers so that we 09:18:42  
24 wouldn't owe more. And whatever was left in the 09:18:45  
25 corporation, was refunded to those who were owed a 09:18:50

1 product. I tried everything in my power to appease 09:18:53  
2 everybody, but you can't help everybody when you 09:18:59  
3 don't have the means to do that. So here I am trying 09:19:04  
4 to do that for 30 years. 09:19:11  
5 MR. RICHARD: When were you hired by 09:19:40  
6 Century Fire Protection? 09:19:42  
7 MR. TOPLE: I started in April. 09:19:44  
8 MS. VEST: Would you like to come up and 09:19:45  
9 speak? He has his QA with him today, if you have any 09:19:47  
10 questions. 09:19:50  
11 MR. YORK: Hello, I'm Robert York, QA for 09:19:52  
12 the local branch of Century Fire Protection. I have 09:19:57  
13 been the QA for the local branch since -- I can't 09:20:01  
14 remember if it's March or April, somewhere in there. 09:20:06  
15 I was the former QA of the company -- 09:20:08  
16 MS. VEST: You have to speak up. 09:20:12  
17 MR. YORK: Former QA left the company, 09:20:13  
18 and I was already with the company, so I became the 09:20:16  
19 new designated QA in March or April. So around the 09:20:19  
20 same time he came on. 09:20:22  
21 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Please be mindful 09:20:24  
22 with this mic, it has to be lit when you are 09:20:25  
23 speaking. 09:20:27  
24 MR. YORK: Thank you. So I guess the 09:20:28  
25 question was, how long has he been with the company. 09:20:32

1 He's been since March. He actually moved up here 09:20:34  
2 from a sister company that our corporation purchased 09:20:38  
3 in south Florida, and so he was already working 09:20:40  
4 within the corporation, but he just came to 09:20:43  
5 Tennessee. 09:20:47

6 MR. HARVEY: And in your time working 09:20:48  
7 together, what's your opinion, what kind of worker is 09:20:50  
8 he, person? 09:20:53

9 MR. YORK: Diligent and knowledgeable. 09:20:54  
10 He knows the industry and the product that we are 09:20:57  
11 selling. As far as the area, I mean he's new to the 09:21:00  
12 area, so he's learning the ins and outs of the 09:21:06  
13 contractors and stuff. We are purely a fire alarm 09:21:09  
14 company. On that side, we have been doing fire alarm 09:21:12  
15 for years, we are just kind of relatively new to the 09:21:14  
16 Nashville market. We have had -- we have been in the 09:21:17  
17 Nashville market doing fire alarms for about four 09:21:21  
18 years now. I think that's how long we have been 09:21:24  
19 licensed as that. And I came on board with the 09:21:26  
20 company about two years ago. So -- 09:21:29

21 MR. HARVEY: As you can imagine, a case 09:21:36  
22 like this reads much worse on paper than it sounds 09:21:38  
23 out loud. 09:21:42

24 MR. YORK: Absolutely. 09:21:43

25 MR. HARVEY: That's why we asked you to 09:21:44

1           come in today. Appreciate you coming in.           09:21:45

2                   MR. TOPLE: I appreciate that as well.           09:21:48

3                   CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Do y'all have more           09:21:50

4           questions for the gentlemen?           09:21:52

5                   THE BOARD: No.           09:21:54

6                   CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Thank you.           09:21:56

7                   MR. TOPLE: Thank you.           09:21:57

8                   MR. YORK: Thank you.           09:21:58

9                   MR. HARVEY: I make a motion that we           09:22:18

10           grant Mr. Tople's registration.           09:22:21

11                   MR. FRAKER: I'll second it.           09:22:25

12                   CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Okay. We have a           09:22:27

13           motion by Mr. Harvey, and a second by Mr. Fraker, to           09:22:28

14           approve this gentleman for a registered employee           09:22:32

15           slot. All in favor voice by saying aye?           09:22:37

16                   THE BOARD: Aye.           09:22:39

17                   CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: All opposed? The           09:22:40

18           motion carries.           09:22:42

19                   MR. HARVEY: Good luck.           09:22:44

20                   CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Congratulations and           09:22:45

21           thank you both for coming in.           09:22:46

22                   MR. TOPLE: Thank you very much, ladies           09:22:48

23           and gentlemen. I truly appreciate it very much.           09:22:50

24                   MS. VEST: You'll be hearing from us           09:22:52

25           about your application.           09:22:55

1 MR. TOPLE: Thank you. You all have a 09:22:56  
2 great day. 09:22:58  
3 THE BOARD: Thank you, you too. 09:22:59  
4 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Do you want go to 09:23:01  
5 the administrative matters or -- 09:23:02  
6 MS. VEST: Yeah, that's -- if you would 09:23:08  
7 like, yes, we can. 09:23:12  
8 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Is this gentleman 09:23:13  
9 just monitoring today? 09:23:14  
10 MS. VEST: Yes, he's one of our visitors, 09:23:16  
11 one of our qualifying agents that comes to the 09:23:18  
12 meetings. 09:23:23  
13 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: That's fine. I 09:23:23  
14 didn't know if he had business -- 09:23:24  
15 MS. VEST: I wish more people would come 09:23:26  
16 to the meetings. 09:23:27  
17 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Well, welcome to the 09:23:28  
18 meeting today. 09:23:30  
19 MS. VEST: Mr. Sorrell is with us today. 09:23:31  
20 Do you want to go straight into my administrative 09:23:34  
21 matters? 09:23:37  
22 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Yes, ma'am. 09:23:37  
23 MS. VEST: We can. First we are going to 09:23:38  
24 look at is the monthly report. There's not a whole 09:23:41  
25 lot there to really talk about. You heard three 09:23:47

1 complaints this morning, and by the time we get those 09:23:56  
2 complaints out, there's only five outstanding 09:24:00  
3 complaints remaining. This report was for August and 09:24:03  
4 September. I have already sent it out. If you don't 09:24:12  
5 have any questions, we'll just move right along. 09:24:15  
6 I think the next thing is the budget 09:24:19  
7 review. For the month of August, I am just going to 09:24:21  
8 give you the ending total here, but hold on just a 09:24:33  
9 moment so I can read it. 09:24:36  
10 (Discussion off the record.) 09:25:00  
11 MS. VEST: I apologize for that. My 09:25:00  
12 goodness. We are going to have to do something 09:25:02  
13 different there. You are in the black, that is 09:25:06  
14 great. Other than that, we will make sure we don't 09:25:11  
15 use these colors again. We don't have any 09:25:14  
16 legislative update. 09:25:25  
17 MS. THOMAS: That's correct. 09:25:27  
18 MS. VEST: We do have an application 09:25:29  
19 review, you want to move right onto that one. It's 09:25:30  
20 for a criminal history. Ms. Jones. I'll give you a 09:25:40  
21 few minutes to look at that, but what we have is 09:25:50  
22 conspiracy to defraud the US, the United States, and 09:25:52  
23 she was found guilty. It was back in 2013. So I'll 09:25:57  
24 give you a few minutes to look at that. 09:26:03  
25 THE BOARD: (Board viewing documents.) 09:26:05

1 MS. VEST: According to her application, 09:28:38  
2 she's going to be at a monitoring station. 09:28:40  
3 MR. HARVEY: In Texas. 09:28:46  
4 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: I think it's Utah, 09:28:47  
5 isn't it? 09:28:49  
6 MS. THOMAS: I think so. 09:28:51  
7 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: So we really don't 09:29:45  
8 know what type of funds or anything that she -- that 09:29:46  
9 went into this joint account? It's kind of vague. 09:29:49  
10 MS. VEST: No, all I have is that 09:29:52  
11 statement from her. I read it -- probably some kind 09:29:53  
12 of assistance, is the way I read, since it's 09:30:03  
13 defrauding the United States. I don't know whether 09:30:07  
14 that would be food stamps or public assistance, I 09:30:09  
15 don't know. That's the way I read it, anyway. 09:30:12  
16 MR. HARVEY: I'd say due to the age of 09:30:56  
17 this act and her needing employment, I'll -- I will 09:30:58  
18 make a motion that we grant her registered employee 09:31:03  
19 status. 09:31:09  
20 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Okay. We have a 09:31:12  
21 motion by Mr. Harvey to grant this request for 09:31:13  
22 registered employee. Do we have a second? 09:31:17  
23 MR. COCKROFT: Second. 09:31:21  
24 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: And a second by 09:31:22  
25 Mr. Cockroft. All in favor voice by saying aye? 09:31:25



1 THE BOARD: Aye. 09:31:28

2 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: All opposed? The 09:31:29

3 motion carries. Thank you. Education report? 09:31:31

4 MS. VEST: Yes. Well, we did not have a 09:31:38

5 request for an extension, we just did the criminal 09:31:44

6 history. So if you want, we'll go straight to the 09:31:46

7 education. Has everybody had an opportunity to look 09:31:49

8 at that that was -- that was mailed out to you? 09:31:51

9 THE BOARD: (Nodding head affirmatively.) 09:31:57

10 MS. VEST: Scott, you want to take this 09:32:05

11 first? I think you were given the A-L-T-R-O-N-I-X. 09:32:07

12 MR. COCKROFT: ALTRONIX. 09:32:14

13 MS. VEST: Okay, thank you. 09:32:16

14 MR. COCKROFT: That looked fine to me. I 09:32:16

15 don't remember what -- did I have -- what else did I 09:32:21

16 have? Did I have anything else? 09:32:24

17 MS. VEST: That was it. 09:32:25

18 MS. WILLIAMS: That was it. 09:32:26

19 MR. COCKROFT: Okay. Both of those 09:32:27

20 looked sufficient. 09:32:31

21 MS. VEST: Okay. For the -- they asked 09:32:32

22 for two of them, Power Over the Ethernet and 09:32:35

23 Innovative Techniques. One was for one hour of 09:32:40

24 continuing education, the second one was for two 09:32:44

25 hours of education. 09:32:46

1 MR. COCKROFT: Right. 09:32:47  
2 MS. VEST: You are saying it's okay for 09:32:47  
3 all of them. 09:32:49  
4 MR. COCKROFT: Yes, correct. 09:32:49  
5 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Okay. 09:32:50  
6 MS. VEST: Keith, how about yours? 09:32:53  
7 MR. HARVEY: I had two of them, and both 09:32:55  
8 of them was for one hour of continuing ed. They were 09:32:57  
9 both good for that. 09:33:01  
10 MS. VEST: And that is D-A-H-U-A. I'm 09:33:02  
11 spelling that for are the court reporter. 09:33:07  
12 MR. HARVEY: I didn't know that one 09:33:09  
13 either. 09:33:10  
14 MR. COCKROFT: I have seen it, but I 09:33:12  
15 don't know how to pronounce it. 09:33:13  
16 MR. FRAKER: They pronounce it DAHUA. 09:33:15  
17 MS. VEST: Thank you. Let's see. And 09:33:19  
18 Lou, you had one for ESA. 09:33:21  
19 MR. RICHARD: I actually had Sentry, and 09:33:23  
20 Sentry looked good. They asked for two hours, but 09:33:27  
21 the course looks well over two hours. That one is 09:33:30  
22 good. And then as far as ESA, what they were asking 09:33:33  
23 for was video -- well, basically video conferencing, 09:33:37  
24 you know, courses. So -- and I don't see a problem 09:33:42  
25 with that. I mean, that's the wave of the future, 09:33:47

1 so -- 09:33:48

2 MS. VEST: Yes. All right. So you 09:33:49

3 approved both of them, so both are okay. 09:33:51

4 MR. RICHARD: Yes, ma'am. 09:33:54

5 MR. COCKROFT: So what -- they are 09:33:56

6 requesting to do online training for all of their 09:33:57

7 classes or just -- 09:33:59

8 MR. RICHARD: From what I could find on 09:34:01

9 the website is basically Level 1, and I think it was 09:34:03

10 fine. So it was just several, it wasn't all of them. 09:34:07

11 MR. COCKROFT: Because I thought we had 09:34:10

12 already approved -- 09:34:11

13 MS. VEST: They were. They got sent at 09:34:12

14 him -- shouldn't have -- I already approved them 09:34:14

15 because they were on the list, but we did get them 09:34:17

16 sent out. Glad you did review those and you agree 09:34:19

17 with me, thank you. 09:34:22

18 MR. RICHARD: Okay. 09:34:24

19 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Okay. That leaves 09:34:28

20 one -- 09:34:30

21 MS. VEST: Doug. 09:34:32

22 MR. FRAKER: That was me. And that's 09:34:34

23 where I was confused. I'm getting some clarity, so. 09:34:37

24 MS. VEST: That's INOVONICS? 09:34:40

25 MR. FRAKER: Correct. 09:34:43

1 MS. VEST: One hour of continuing 09:34:45  
2 education. 09:34:48

3 MR. FRAKER: One hour of continuing 09:34:48  
4 education. It's talking more about consulting, being 09:34:49  
5 more of a security consultant. Am I allowed to pass 09:34:56  
6 them out to show the other people? 09:35:01

7 MS. VEST: Sure, please. 09:35:03

8 MR. FRAKER: Here, I printed it, because 09:35:05  
9 I was -- I asked Shauna for some clarification -- 09:35:06  
10 here, I've got plenty of copies. 09:35:10

11 MR. COCKROFT: I don't think there's 09:35:14  
12 anything wrong with it necessarily being about, you 09:35:15  
13 know, how to design the system. It doesn't 09:35:17  
14 necessarily have to be technical. We have approved 09:35:20  
15 classes that were about sales or business management. 09:35:23  
16 So it could relate to how to apply the product, not 09:35:26  
17 necessarily technically how to use it. 09:35:29

18 MR. HARVEY: I suppose it's our business. 09:35:33

19 MR. FRAKER: They are talking about 09:35:36  
20 active shooters, how to identify, doing risk 09:35:39  
21 assessments, which we do all the time when we are 09:35:46  
22 walking a building or whatever, we do that all the 09:35:49  
23 time. So I was hoping for some input from the Board, 09:35:52  
24 being new to this Board myself. 09:36:02

25 MR. HARVEY: It's well sufficient for an 09:36:05

1 hour of CEU. We've had a lot -- 09:36:07

2 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: We have had a lot 09:36:28

3 less relevant courses that have requested an hour, is 09:36:30

4 what Keith said. So you think it's okay for an hour 09:36:35

5 of continuing -- 09:36:39

6 MR. FRAKER: I think it's okay, just 09:36:40

7 based on what information we have. 09:36:42

8 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Okay. Based on each 09:36:43

9 individual's -- each individual's review of these 09:36:50

10 courses, do we have a motion to approve them in mass 09:36:54

11 as presented to the Board? 09:36:58

12 MR. FRAKER: I make a motion to approve 09:37:01

13 the courses as presented. 09:37:02

14 MR. RICHARD: Second. 09:37:04

15 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Which one -- did you 09:37:06

16 second? 09:37:09

17 MR. RICHARD: Yes, sir -- yes, ma'am. 09:37:09

18 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Okay. 09:37:11

19 MS. VEST: So it's Doug and Lou. 09:37:12

20 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Yes, we have a 09:37:14

21 motion by Mr. Fraker, second by Mr. Richard, to 09:37:16

22 approve these continuing -- or these education 09:37:19

23 classes as presented. All in favor voice by saying 09:37:21

24 aye? 09:37:24

25 THE BOARD: Aye. 09:37:24

1                   CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: All opposed? Is 09:37:25  
2                   that all on our education? 09:37:33  
3                   MS. VEST: That is all the education. I 09:37:35  
4                   think we will just probably move on down to -- I 09:37:38  
5                   don't have any unfinished business. I do have some 09:37:40  
6                   new business. 09:37:43  
7                   CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Okay. 09:37:44  
8                   MS. VEST: And it is your new dates for 09:37:45  
9                   the next year. I hope everybody's had an opportunity 09:37:48  
10                  to look at those. Shauna had to go out and try to 09:37:52  
11                  make sure we can get the room, one thing, then we had 09:37:58  
12                  to make sure with the -- 09:38:01  
13                  MS. WILLIAMS: Nashville and -- 09:38:05  
14                  MS. VEST: The Convention Center and 09:38:07  
15                  everybody else to make sure what was going on at the 09:38:08  
16                  particular times, and these are the dates. And we 09:38:11  
17                  tried to stay pretty much good to last year's 09:38:13  
18                  schedule. 09:38:17  
19                  CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Okay. 09:38:17  
20                  MS. VEST: But I did not hear from 09:38:19  
21                  anyone, so I took it that there was not any problem 09:38:21  
22                  with the dates. 09:38:24  
23                  MR. COCKROFT: I don't have a problem. 09:38:25  
24                  CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Let's say that it 09:38:27  
25                  looks good to us as of today. 09:38:28

1 MS. VEST: Well, it would be very 09:38:32  
2 difficult to make any changes. We did make a change 09:38:34  
3 with our Private Investigation Commission, they will 09:38:39  
4 now be meeting on Thursdays in this room. Whenever 09:38:42  
5 they change from Fridays to Thursdays, the rooms -- 09:38:44  
6 they are in the big room, because it's nine of them. 09:38:48  
7 They had to get this room because the dates have 09:38:51  
8 already been taken for the rooms. And then what 09:38:54  
9 activity might come up in Nashville, we don't know, 09:39:00  
10 but we'll work around these dates as best as 09:39:02  
11 possible. If we find that we need to make any 09:39:05  
12 changes, we'll get to you as quick as possible. 09:39:07  
13 MR. COCKROFT: And for now we are not 09:39:10  
14 scheduling for a hearing or anything or planning -- 09:39:11  
15 MS. VEST: No, sir, just your five 09:39:14  
16 complaints. It just depends on what might happen. 09:39:16  
17 Right now, we did not. If we do, we'll try to make 09:39:20  
18 it on the same day as the Board meeting. If we 09:39:24  
19 have -- if it looks like it's going to be an all day 09:39:29  
20 event, and if we have to, we'll make it a Friday, but 09:39:32  
21 we'll keep you abreast of that, if it comes up. 09:39:36  
22 MR. COCKROFT: Okay. 09:39:38  
23 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: Okay. Any more new 09:39:40  
24 business? Any unfinished business? 09:39:44  
25 MS. VEST: No, ma'am. This is all, I 09:39:50

1 believe, we have.

09:39:53

2 CHAIRPERSON HIXSON: This meeting's

09:39:53

3 adjourned.

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4 (WHEREUPON, the meeting was adjourned at  
5 9:40 a.m.)

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