

BEFORE THE IOWA ENGINEERING AND LAND SURVEYING EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
) **CASE NO. 15-10**
Alberto Gonzalez and)
Conve & AVS, Inc.) **COMBINED STATEMENT OF**
) **CHARGES AND CONSENT ORDER**
Respondents.)

A. Statement of Charges

1. The Iowa Engineering and Land Surveying Examining Board (“Board”) has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 542B (2015) and, in particular, Iowa Code sections 542B.1 and 542B.27.
2. Alberto Gonzalez is not a licensed professional engineer in Iowa. He is a co-owner of Conve & AVS, Inc., a process technology-based engineering company licensed in Florida.
3. The Board received a complaint in April 2014 alleging that Respondents offered professional engineering services to a client and the Issued for Construction drawings were not signed and sealed by an Iowa licensed professional engineer. The Board’s investigation determined the construction drawings for boiler system pipping for the Harris & Ford Chlor-Alkali facility in Eddyville lacked a proper seal and signature by an Iowa licensed professional engineer.
4. The Board charges Respondents with offering professional engineering services to the public while unlicensed in violation of Iowa Code section 542B.27(1)(a).

B. Settlement Agreement and Consent Order

5. Respondents have a right to a hearing on the charges, but waive their right to hearing and all attendant rights, including the right to seek judicial review, by freely and voluntarily entering into this Order. This Consent Order constitutes the final agency order in the contested case, pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.10 and 193 Iowa Administrative Code 7.4.
6. Respondents agree the State’s counsel may present this Order to the Board and may have ex parte communications with the Board while presenting it.
7. This Consent Order is a public record available for inspection and copying in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 22 (2015).
8. This Order is subject to approval of the Board: (a) If the Board fails to

approve this Order, it shall be of no force or effect on either party, and it shall not be admissible for any purpose in further proceedings in this matter. (b) If the Board approves this Order, it shall fully dispose of all issues in this case.

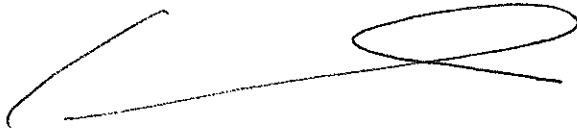
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

A. Agreement Not to Practice without a Valid Iowa License.

Respondents shall not in the future offer professional engineering services to the public unless they do so consistent with 193C Iowa Admin. Code 8.5 concerning engineering services offered by business entities.

B. Civil Penalty. Respondents shall jointly and severally pay the sum of \$1000.00 in civil penalties to the Board (made payable to the State of Iowa) no later than 20 calendar days following the date the Order is signed by all parties.

AGREED AND ACCEPTED:



Alberto Gonzalez, individually, and as
Co-owner of Conve & AVS, Inc.

Date OCT 24, 2016

The Iowa Engineering and Land Surveying Examining Board



By: Rita M. Perea, Chair

Date NOV. 30, 2016