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STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE THE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER SECTION OF THE WISCONSIN EXAMINING BOARD OF ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS, PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS, PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS, AND REGISTERED INTERIOR DESIGNERS

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

DREXEL BUILDING SUPPLY, RESPONDENT.

ORDER0008967

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 23 ENG 019

The parties to this action for the purpose of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

Drexel Building Supply Campbellsport, WI 53010

Professional Engineer Section of the Wisconsin Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers, Professional Land Surveyors, and Registered Interior Designers P.O. Box 8366 Madison, WI 53708-8366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Department of Safety and Professional Services P.O. Box 7190 Madison, WI 53707-7190

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Professional Engineer Section of the Wisconsin Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers, Professional Land Surveyors, and Registered Interior Designers (Section). The Section has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Section in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Drexel Building Supply (Respondent) is authorized by the State of Wisconsin as an engineering firm, having Certificate of Authorization number 4787-11, first issued on May 13, 2020 and current through January 31, 2024. Respondent's most recent address on file with the

Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is in Campbellsport, Wisconsin 53010.

- 2. On May 23, 2023, Respondent began remodeling their Amherst facility, which was a project of more than 50,000 cubic feet, without any professional design oversight or permitting.
- 3. The professional engineer of record for Respondent's Certificate of Authorization resigned and left the company due to this incident. Respondent did not inform the Department of his departure.
- 4. On June 13, 2023, Respondent halted construction on the remodeling of their Amherst facility, and hired another engineering firm to complete the project.
- 5. Respondent does not employ a credentialed architect or professional engineer, has no plans to hire a credentialed architect or professional engineer in the future, and claims to no longer perform any architecture or engineering work that requires an architect or professional engineer on staff or a Certificate of Authorization.
- 6. Respondent must have an active professional engineer or active architect on staff in order to maintain a valid Certificate of Authorization. Therefore, Respondent no longer meets the requirements necessary to hold a Certificate of Authorization, and has agreed to surrender its Certificate of Authorization.
- 7. In resolution of this matter, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Section has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 443.11.

ORDER

- 1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
- 2. The VOLUNTARY SURRENDER by Respondent of its Certificate of Authorization in the state of Wisconsin (no. 4787-11) is accepted.
- 3. In the event Respondent petitions the Section for reinstatement of its Certificate of Authorization in the state of Wisconsin or applies for another credential in the state of Wisconsin under Wis. Stat. chs. 440 through 480, Respondent shall pay the costs of this matter in the amount of \$782.00, before any petition or application for a credential will be considered by the applicable board or Department.
- 4. In the event Respondent petitions the Section for reinstatement of its Certificate of Authorization, the Section may enter an order denying such application without further notice or hearing. Whether to grant a certification and whether to impose any limitations or restrictions on any certification granted shall be in the sole discretion of the Section and such decision is not reviewable.

5. Any requests, petitions, payments of costs (made payable to Department of Safety and Professional Services), and other information required by this Order shall be submitted to:

Department Monitor
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190
Telephone (608) 266-2112; Fax (608) 266-2264
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

Respondent may also submit this information online at: https://dspsmonitoring.wi.gov.

6. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER SECTION OF THE WISCONSIN EXAMINING BOARD OF ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS, PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS, PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS, AND REGISTERED INTERIOR DESIGNERS

Ву:	KD~	2/7/24	
	A Member of the Section	Date	

STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE THE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER SECTION OF THE WISCONSIN EXAMINING BOARD OF ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS, PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS, PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS, AND REGISTERED INTERIOR DESIGNERS

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

STIPULATION

DREXEL BUILDING SUPPLY, RESPONDENT.

ORDER0008967

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 23 ENG 019

Drexel Building Supply (Respondent), and the Division of Legal Services and Compliance, Department of Safety and Professional Services, stipulate as follows:

- 1. This Stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation by the Division of Legal Services and Compliance. Respondent consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.
- 2. Respondent understands that by signing this Stipulation, Respondent voluntarily and knowingly waives the following rights:
 - the right to a hearing on the allegations against Respondent, at which time the State has the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence;
 - the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against Respondent;
 - the right to call witnesses on Respondent's behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
 - the right to testify on Respondent's own behalf;
 - the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to present briefs or oral arguments to the officials who are to render the final decision;
 - the right to petition for rehearing; and
 - all other applicable rights afforded to Respondent under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.
- 3. Respondent is aware of Respondent's right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation.
- 4. Respondent agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Wisconsin Engineer Section of the Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers and Professional Land Surveyors (Section). The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order without further notice,

pleading, appearance or consent of the parties. Respondent waives all rights to any appeal of the Section's order, if adopted in the form as attached.

- 5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Section, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that the Stipulation is not accepted by the Section, the parties agree not to contend that the Section has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.
- 6. The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney or other agent for the Division of Legal Services and Compliance and any member of the Section ever assigned as an advisor in this investigation may appear before the Section in open or closed session, without the presence of Respondent, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that any member of the Section may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such advisor may vote on whether the Section should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.
- 7. Respondent is informed that should the Section adopt this Stipulation, the Section's Final Decision and Order is a public record and will be published in accordance with standard Department procedure.
- 8. Respondent is further informed that should the Section adopt this Stipulation, the Section's Final Decision and Order will be reported as required by the National Practitioner Databank (NPDB) Guidebook and as otherwise required by any licensure compact or any other state or federal law.
- 9. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending the Section adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

Julie Kart	1/5/2024	
Drexel Building Supply, Respondent	Date	
Campbellsport, WI 53010		
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Jon Derenne, Prosecuting Attorney
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P.O. Box 7190
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1/5/2024 Date