## ENGINEERING AND LAND SURVEYING EXAMINING BOARD[193C]

## **Notice of Intended Action**

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b."

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 542B.6, the Engineering and Land Surveying Examining Board hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 3, "Application and Renewal Process," Iowa Administrative Code.

Item 1 of these amendments clarifies the components and due dates for the Principles and Practice examination applications. Item 2 of these amendments clarifies the components of a complete application for licensure by comity and clearly states that comity applications will not be reviewed until all components have been received. This amendment also clarifies that comity applicants will be notified of the results of the application review in writing and further clarifies the Board's position with regard to temporary permits.

Any interested person may make written or oral suggestions or comments on the proposed amendments on or before January 6, 2009. Comments should be directed to Gleean Coates, Executive Officer, Iowa Engineering and Land Surveying Examining Board, 1920 SE Hulsizer Road, Ankeny, Iowa 50021; by telephone at (515)281-7360; or by E-mail to gleean.coates@iowa.gov.

Waiver of these rules may be sought pursuant to 193—Chapter 5.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 542B.2, 542B.6, 542B.13, 542B.14, 542B.15, 542B.20, 542B.30, 272C.2 and 272C.3.

The following amendments are proposed.

ITEM 1. Amend subrule 3.2(3) as follows:

**3.2(3)** Principles and Practice examination application components and due dates. The components of the application for the Principles and Practice of Engineering and the Principles and Practice of Land Surveying examinations include: the completed, notarized application form; the ethics questionnaire; references; transcripts; verification of examination records; and the project statement. Principles and Practice of Engineering and Principles and Practice of Land Surveying examination applications require a detailed review and must, therefore, be submitted to the board office, postmarked on or before July 15 of each year for the examination given in the fall and on or before January 15 of each year for the examination given in the spring. The Principles and Practice examination application packet, including the following components, must be postmarked on or before the deadline date: (1) the completed, notarized and signed application form; (2) the required number of references; (3) the project statement; and (4) the ethics questionnaire. In addition, a complete application file must include verification of examination records and transcripts. Examination applications will not be reviewed by the board until the application file is complete. Since the verification of examination records must be sent directly from the jurisdiction where the applicant took the Fundamentals of Engineering examination, the applicant should contact the other jurisdiction well in advance of the deadline for submittal of the application to request this verification in order to ensure that the verification is received by the board no later than July 25 for the fall examination or by January 25 for the spring examination. For transcripts, the applicant should contact the university well in advance of the deadline for submittal of the application to ensure that the transcripts are received no later than July 25 for the fall examination or by January 25 for the spring examination. Examination application files that are not complete by January 25 will not be reviewed for the spring examination. Likewise, examination applications that are not complete by July 25 will not be reviewed for the fall examination.

## ITEM 2. Amend rule 193C—3.3(542B) as follows:

## 193C—3.3(542B) Comity applications.

- **3.3(1)** The components of a comity application include: the completed, notarized application form; the ethics questionnaire; references; transcripts; and verifications verification of examinations, as appropriate. Comity applicants may submit the NCEES record in lieu of providing references, verifications, transcripts, and employment history. Since the verification of examination records must, in most cases, be sent directly from the jurisdiction where the applicant took the Fundamentals of Engineering and Principles and Practice Engineering examinations, the applicant should contact the other jurisdiction in advance of submitting the application to request this verification and make every effort to have the verification sent to the board at the time that the application is submitted. Likewise, for transcripts the applicant should contact the university in advance of submitting the application to make every effort to have the transcripts transmitted to the board at the time that the application is submitted.
- **3.3(2)** Comity applications will be reviewed and processed as they are completed. Applications that are complete and meet the standard requirements of these rules are processed immediately upon completion and review. Comity applications will not be reviewed until all components have been received.
- **3.3(3)** Comity applicants are will be notified in writing via regular mail or E-mail regarding the results of the review of their applications.
- **3.3(4)** Temporary permits. The board does not issue temporary permits. Temporary Based upon review by a board member, temporary permits were previously issued to applicants whose applications were reviewed by a board member, who met all requirements, and who were expected to qualify for approval by the full board at the next regularly scheduled board meeting. Since applications that meet these criteria are now routinely processed as they are completed and reviewed, temporary permits are no longer necessary.