**193C—9.5 (272C) Civil penalties.** In addition to other disciplinary options, the board may assess civil penalties of up to \$1000 per violation against licensees who violate any provision of rule 9.3(542B). Factors the board may consider when determining whether and in what amount to assess civil penalties include:

- 1. Whether other forms of discipline are being imposed for the same violation.
- 2. Whether the amount imposed will be a substantial economic deterrent to the violation.
- 3. The circumstances leading to the violation.
- 4. The severity of the violation and the risk of harm to the public.
- 5. The economic benefits gained by the licensee as a result of the violation.
- 6. The interest of the public.
- 7. Evidence of reform or remedial action.
- 8. Time elapsed since the violation occurred.
- 9. Whether the violation is a repeat offense following a prior cautionary letter, disciplinary order, or other notice of the nature of the infraction.
  - 10. The clarity of the issue involved.
  - 11. Whether the violation was willful and intentional.
  - 12. Whether the licensee acted in bad faith.
  - 13. The extent to which the licensee cooperated with the board.
- 14. Whether the licensee practiced professional engineering or professional land surveying with a lapsed, inactive, suspended or revoked license.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 542B.22.

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