

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
Department of Labor and Industry

In the Matter of the Construction Contractor  
Registration of Beatriz Drywall Corporation

**LICENSING ORDER  
WITH PENALTY**

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**I. ORDER**

The Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry (“Commissioner”) issues this Order against Beatriz Drywall Corporation (“Respondent”).

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 181.723, subd. 4(a) (1); 326B.082, subd. 12(b); and 326B.083 (2016), the Commissioner hereby assesses against Respondent a monetary penalty of \$5,000.

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 326B.082, subds. 11(b) and 12, and 326B.083 (2016), the Commissioner hereby revokes the construction contractor registration of Respondent, No. IR654552.

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 326B.082, subd. 12 (b) (2016), the Commissioner also hereby orders Respondent and its principal(s) to cease and desist from performing public or private sector commercial or residential building construction or improvement services for which registration in the Construction Contractor Registration Program (“Registration Program”) is required.

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 326B.082, subd. 11(a)(b)(5) (2016), the Commissioner also hereby orders Respondent and its principal(s) to cease and desist from registering in the Registration Program under the business name Beatriz Drywall Corporation or any other business name.

The Commissioner takes the above action based upon the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

**II. FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Respondent is engaged in the business of providing building construction or improvement services and held a construction contractor registration, No. IR654552, issued by the Commissioner on September 13, 2012 under the name Beatriz Drywall Corporation. In its registration, Respondent failed to provide ownership information. The business address provided was 1125 – 1<sup>st</sup> Street NW, Faribault, MN. The registration expired on December 31, 2015 and was not renewed.

2. According to the records of the Minnesota Secretary of State, Beatriz Drywall Corporation was filed as a Minnesota corporation on December 9, 2008 with a registered office at 1125 – 1<sup>st</sup> Street NW, Faribault, MN with a chief executive listed as Beatriz Mesta. The corporate registration was administratively dissolved on April 16, 2014.
3. As a registered construction contractor, Respondent must adhere to the Minnesota statutes and regulations governing Contractor Registration and construction worker classification, Minn. Stat. §§ 181.723, 326B.701, and 326B.081 to 326B.085 (2016) and Minn. R. Chapter 5224 (2015).
4. As a result of a review of the records of T Nelson Properties, the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry (“Department”) opened an investigation of Respondent on January 6, 2017 to determine whether Respondent had engaged in violations of the statutes and rules governing the classification of workers in the construction industry and to identify the true business entity.

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5. On January 13, 2017, a Department investigator mailed a subpoena duces tecum via first-class and certified mail to Respondent at the Faribault address it provided in its registration.
6. The subpoena required the production of documentation relating to Respondent’s subcontractors, contractors, and employees. Delivery of the subpoena sent via certified mail was returned by the United States Postal Service (“USPS”) marked “Unclaimed.” The subpoena sent via first-class mail was not returned by the USPS.
7. On April 21, 2017, the Department investigator mailed a second request for information to Respondent at its Faribault address. This letter was not returned by the USPS.
8. Both the subpoena and supplemental request for information required a response from Respondent within 30 days of the Commissioner’s service of the same.
9. The Commissioner has received no reply from Respondent as of the date of this Order

### **III. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. Respondent committed violations of applicable law. Minn. Stat. §§ 181.723 (2016) and 326B.082, subd. 11 (b)(1) (2016).
2. Respondent failed to comply with a subpoena and subsequent request for information from the Commissioner. Minn. Stat. §§ 326B.082, subds. 2(b) and 11(b)(6) (2016).

#### IV. DETERMINATION OF PENALTY AMOUNT

In determining the amount of the penalty, the Commissioner considered: the extent of deviation from compliance; whether the violations were willful; the gravity of the violations; the number of violations; whether there is a history of past violations; whether Respondent gained economic benefit in not complying with the law; and other factors as justice may require.

#### V. REQUEST FOR HEARING

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 326B.082, subd. 12(c) (2016), Respondent shall have 30 days after issuance of this Licensing Order to request a hearing. A request for hearing must be in writing and must be served on or faxed to the Commissioner at the following address or fax number by the deadline.

Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry  
CCLD - Enforcement Services Unit  
Attention: Charlie Durenberger  
443 Lafayette Road North  
St. Paul, MN 55155

Fax number: (651) 284-5746

The date on which a request for hearing is served by mail shall be the postmark date on the envelope in which the request for hearing is mailed. If the request for hearing is served by fax it cannot exceed 15 pages in length and must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. central time on the last day permitted for serving a request. Respondent's review rights are more thoroughly described in Minn. Stat. § 326B.082, subs. 4 and 12(c) (2016).

If Respondent submits to the Commissioner a timely request for hearing, this Licensing Order shall be stayed unless otherwise ordered by a judge, and a contested case hearing will be conducted. The contested case procedures are set out in chapter 14 of the Minnesota Statutes, and the Rules of the Office of Administrative Hearings, Minn. Rules 1400.5010 to 1400.8400 (2015), and Minn. Stat. § 326B.082, subd. 12(c) (2016). These materials may be purchased from the Minnesota Book Store, telephone (651) 297-3000, and are also available at [www.revisor.mn.gov](http://www.revisor.mn.gov).

#### VI. EFFECT OF FINAL ORDER

If Respondent does not request a hearing or Respondent's request for a hearing is not served on or faxed to the Commissioner by 30 days after issuance of this Licensing Order, this Licensing Order shall become a final order of the Commissioner and will not be subject to review by any court or agency. *See* Minn. Stat. § 326B.082, subd. 12(c) (2016).


Respondent is prohibited from applying for reinstatement of its contractor registration for two years from the date this Order becomes final.

The monetary penalty assessed against the Respondent by this Licensing Order is due and payable on the date the Licensing Order becomes final. *See* Minn. Stat. § 326B.083, subd. 3(a) (2016). When this Licensing Order becomes final, the Commissioner may file and enforce any unpaid portion of the penalty as a judgment in district court without further notice or additional proceedings. *See* Minn. Stat. §§ 16D.17 (2016) and 326B.083, subd. 2 (2016). Failure to pay a monetary penalty owed may result in the revocation, suspension, or denial of any or all licenses, permits, certificates, and registrations issued by the Commissioner. *See* Minn. Stat. § 326B.082, subd. 17 (2016). Also, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 16D.13 (2016), Respondent is hereby notified that thirty (30) days after the date this Licensing Order becomes final, simple interest computed in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 16D.13, subd. 2 (2016) will begin to accrue on the unpaid portion of the penalty.

Dated: 8/25/17

KEN B. PETERSON  
Commissioner

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Department of Labor and Industry