STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION
1511 PONTIAC AVENUE
JOHN O. PASTORE CENTER
CRANSTON, RI 02920

IN THE MATTER OF:

GERALD SCHLEGEL

RESPONDENT.

DBR No. 10-BDP-PE-0010

CONSENT AGREEMENT

The Department of Business Regulation ("Department") and Respondent Gerald Schlegel ("Schlegel") hereby agree that:

1. Schlegel is a licensed professional engineer in the States of Colorado and Texas. Schlegel is not licensed in Rhode Island and has never been licensed in Rhode Island.

2. On or about May 1, 2008, Schlegel stamped and sealed, using his Colorado seal, drawings for pre-engineered and pre-fabricated panels, which were to be used on the NYLO Hotel in Warwick, RI (the "Project").

3. Schlegel previously engineered the same pre-fabricated panels for use on a NYLO Hotel in Plano, Texas. Schlegel has explained that he stamped the drawings for the Project for purposes of letting the engineer of record for the Project know that the panels had previously been approved by him. The Department does not accept Schlegel’s explanation and asserts that Schlegel stamped the drawings with the intent of providing engineering services in Rhode Island without a license.
4. After stamping the drawings with his Colorado seal, Schlegel applied to the Rhode Island Board of Registration for Professional Engineers (the “Board”) to become a registered engineer in Rhode Island by comity.

5. Schlegel subsequently withdrew his application to be registered in Rhode Island. Schlegel has explained that he withdrew his application because the licensing process would not meet the time deadlines for the Project and a licensed Rhode Island engineering firm, Paul D. Aldinger & Associates, was hired instead for the Project. The Department does not accept Mr. Schlegel’s explanation for withdrawing his application.

6. The prefabricated panels were built and installed at the Project prior to the plans being reviewed and approved by Paul D. Aldinger & Associates. The Department does not take issue with the engineering services for the Project provided by Paul D. Aldinger & Associates and does not contend that there is any issue with the pre-fabricated panels installed at the Project.

7. Schlegel asserts that he did not intend to practice engineering in Rhode Island and at all times intended to have a Rhode Island engineer review and approve the engineering of the pre-fabricated panels. The Department takes issue with Schlegel’s position.

8. Schlegel understands that his stamping of drawings for the Project using his Colorado seal was a violation of Rhode Island law requiring that an engineer for a Rhode Island project be licensed in Rhode Island and that he was not a licensed engineer in Rhode Island at the time he stamped the drawings.
9. Schlegel has no intention of providing engineering services in Rhode Island in the future. By signing this agreement, Schlegel represents that he will abide by R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-8-1, *et seq.* and its related rules and regulations.

10. The Department agrees that it will take no further action or cause any other agency of Rhode Island to take action against Schlegel regarding this matter.

11. Schlegel acknowledges and understands that the Department has the right to take further administrative action with notice and opportunity for hearing, upon a finding that he has engaged in any further violations of R.I. Gen. Laws §, *et seq.*, and its related rules and regulations.

12. Respondent further agrees to pay a $500.00 administrative penalty to the Department upon execution of this Agreement.

13. The Department of Business Regulation and Respondent Gerald Schlegel hereby consent and agree to the foregoing.

Gerald Schlegel

Date: **20 JUL 10**

Date: **May 29, 2010**
CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify on this 20th day of July, 2010 that a copy of the within Consent Agreement was sent by first class mail, postage prepaid and certified mail, return receipt requested to:

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