TITLE 864 STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

Notice of Public Hearing LSA Document #13-333

Notice of Public Hearing

Under IC 4-22-2-24, notice is hereby given that on October 31, 2013, at 10:00 a.m., at the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Room W064, Indianapolis, Indiana, the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers will hold a public hearing on proposed amendments to 864 IAC 1.1-2-2 864 IAC 1.1-3, 864 IAC 1.1-4.1, and 864 IAC 1.1-12-1 to make changes necessary or appropriate for conversion of the fundamentals of engineering and ultimately the principles and practice of engineering examination from paper to computer based, allows most individuals taking the fundamentals of engineering examination to apply for admission to the examination directly to the testing service and without meeting the educational and experience requirements prior to being allowed to take the examination, and reduces the requirements that must be met by an examinee who has failed an examination three times to be readmitted to the examination and to amend 864 IAC 1.1-15 to allow certain activities to qualify for continuing education credit, to increase the amount of continuing education credit that an instructor at a continuing education course may receive, and to expand the extent to which continuing education courses may qualify for continuing education credit without Board approval.

These provisions are necessary to carry out the examination process required for licensure in the state of Indiana. The proposed rule change will allow the Board to continue to use the national exam used by all states. The proposed rule broadens what can qualify as acceptable continuing education for the required 30 hours. The cost of submitting an application, developing an annual report and being subject to an audit is minimal compared to the current cost of obtaining approval of each continuing education course, given the current requirements as a continuing education provider. The Board will use the report as a means of determining whether or not the courses developed by a provider are of value to the engineering community. Quality continuing education protects the health, safety, and welfare of the public, which is the intent of continuing education.

Copies of these rules are now on file at the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency, Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Room W072 and Legislative Services Agency, Indiana Government Center North, 100 North Senate Avenue, Room N201, Indianapolis, Indiana and are open for public inspection.

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