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October 30, 2023

Mary Swift
Indiana Department of Homeland Security
Fire and Building Code Enforcement
302 W. Washington Street, Room # E208
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Via E-Mail: <u>mswift@dhs.in.gov</u> & FedEx 2<sup>nd</sup> Day

RE: Application for Approval as a Third-Party Inspection Agency (Renewal) Indiana Industrialized Buildings Program 675 IAC 15-1.5

Dear Ms. Swift:

Please accept this letter as Expert Modular Consultants' application for approval (renewal) as a third-party inspection agency under the Indiana Industrialized Buildings Program. We are enclosing the following updated documents to reflect changes since our initial application submitted on September 29, 2015:

- 1. Applicant Company Information
- 2. Organizational Chart for In-Plant Inspections
- 3. Third-Party Agency Experience
- 4. Other State Approvals
- 5. List of Manufacturers and Status

The other information provided in our initial application, submitted on September 29, 2015, continues to be current.

Our check in the amount of \$550 is enclosed to cover the required renewal fee.

We appreciate your assistance and look forward to continued participation in the Indiana Industrialized Buildings Program.

Respectfully,

Robert A. Johnson

President

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#### 675 IAC 15-1.5-2(b)(1)-(6): Company Information

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Tampa, FL 33626

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7. Contact Person: Bob Johnson (President)

## Expert Modular Consultants Application for Approval as a Third-Party Inspection Agency Indiana Industrialized Buildings Program

#### 675 IAC 15-1.5-2(b)(7): Organizational Chart for In-Plant Inspections

#### **TPIA Manager**

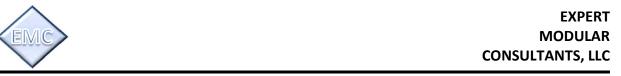
Arthur L. (Larry) Kay, R.A.

#### **Supervisor of Inspections**

Robert A. Johnson

#### Inspectors

Robert A. Johnson Regina Strickland-West



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September 28, 2015

Indiana Department of Homeland Security Division of Fire and Building Safety Code Enforcement and Plan Review Branch 302 W. Washington Street, Room #E241 Indianapolis, IN 46204

RE: 675 IAC 15-1.5-2 Sec 2 (b)(8)

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that Expert Modular Consultants, LLC will comply with all applicable rules of the commission and the Indiana Code when performing Third Party Inspection Agency functions under the Indiana Industrialized Buildings Program.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Johnson President

## Expert Modular Consultants Application for Approval as a Third-Party Inspection Agency Indiana Industrialized Buildings Program

#### 675 IAC 15-1.5-2(b)(9) Resumes

Resumes for each person named in the inspection agency organizational chart are on the following pages.

#### Robert A. Johnson **Summary of Qualifications**

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#### Experience

Present

March 2014- Expert Modular Consultants LLC- Tampa, FL - President

Train/supervise building plan reviewers and inspectors

Review building plans for code compliance (building; planning; life safety;

structural; accessibility; electrical; plumbing; mechanical; energy)

Review manufacturers' quality control manuals

Perform in-plant inspections of modular buildings during production

Audit manufacturers' quality control programs

Provide code consulting services

April 1996 – March 2014

RADCO – Long Beach, CA – Director of Modular Building Department

Train/supervise building plan reviewers and inspectors

Review building plans for code compliance (building; planning; life safety;

structural; accessibility; electrical; plumbing; mechanical; energy)

Review manufacturers' quality control manuals

Perform in-plant inspections of modular buildings during production

Audit manufacturers' quality control programs

Provide code consulting services

April 1984 – March 1996

Hilborn, Werner, Carter - Clearwater, FL - Director of Inspections

Director of inspections for modular buildings and prefab building components

Train/supervise inspectors

Perform in-plant inspections of modular buildings during production

Audit manufacturers' quality control programs

Nov 1979 – April 1984

National Conference of States on Building Codes and Standards – Herndon, VA

Review building plans for code compliance (building; planning; life safety;

structural; accessibility; electrical; plumbing; mechanical; energy)

Review manufacturers' quality control manuals

Perform in-plant inspections of manufactured housing during production

Audit manufacturers' quality control programs

Conduct annual performance assessments of state and private design review and inspection agencies for compliance with federal program requirements

#### Education

Princeton University – B.A. – Architecture and Urban Planning - 1978

### Robert A. Johnson Summary of Qualifications

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#### **Professional Certifications**

International Code Council (ICC) Certification No. 5181680

**Building Inspector** 

**Building Plans Examiner** 

Commercial Electrical Inspector

Commercial Energy Inspector

**Electrical Plans Examiner** 

Mechanical Inspector

Mechanical Plans Examiner

Plumbing Inspector

Plumbing Plans Examiner

Residential Combination Inspector

Residential Energy Inspector/Plans Examiner

#### **Industrialized Buildings Commission**

Plans Examiner Level 1 (P-057)

Industrialized Buildings Inspector (I-086)

#### State of Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation

Standard Inspector (BN2563)

Modular Inspector (SMI20)

Modular Plans Examiner (SMP29)

#### State of Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council

Certified Third Party Provider (U00332)

All disciplines listed above under International Code Council (ICC)

#### State of North Carolina Modular Building Program

Commercial Modular Building Inspector – all disciplines

Commercial Modular Building Plans Examiner – all disciplines

Residential Modular Building Inspector – all disciplines

Residential Modular Building Plans Examiner – all disciplines

#### State of Ohio Board of Building Standards (4472)

Non-Residential Industrialized Unit Inspector

Residential Industrialized Unit Inspector

#### Texas Industrialized Housing and Buildings Program

Third Party Inspector (IHI-36)

Plan Reviewer – All Disciplines (structural; mechanical; electrical; plumbing; building planning; fire safety; accessibility)

### Arthur L. (Larry) Kay, R.A. Summary of Qualifications

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#### Experience

April 2014-Present Expert Modular Consultants LLC – Tampa, FL

Professional of Record in responsible charge of plan review and inspection activities under several state modular building programs

Review building plans for code compliance (building; planning; life safety; structural;

accessibility; electrical; plumbing; mechanical; energy)

Review manufacturers' quality control manuals

Perform in-plant inspections of modular buildings and audit QC programs

Code consulting (all disciplines)

May 2008-April 2014 RADCO - Tampa, FL

Professional of Record in responsible charge of plan review and inspection activities under several state modular building programs

Review building plans for code compliance (building; planning; life safety; structural;

accessibility; electrical; plumbing; mechanical; energy)

Review manufacturers' quality control manuals

Perform in-plant inspections of modular buildings and audit QC programs

Code consulting (all disciplines)

2007-2008 Terracon Consultants – Tampa, FL

Project Manager who performed Property Condition Assessments (PCAs), Due Diligence,

Environmental Phase I Site Assessments (ESAs), and Asbestos Surveys.

2006 Decaf Inspections – Tampa, FL

Owner and operator of full service residential inspection firm.

2002-2006 Arizona SunTech / Inspection Specialists – Phoenix, AZ

Director of operations for private post-secondary school of home inspection training and residential inspection firm. Designed curriculum, taught classes, reviewed student reports for state board approval, and supervised budget. Supervised inspectors and

performed full residential inspections (slab to roof).

1997-2001 Mason Blau & Associates – Clearwater, FL

Graduate Architect in firm specializing in health care and commercial building projects with responsibilities for technical project planning and management. Coordinated programming, schematic design, design development, construction documents, bidding, construction administration, code research and shop drawing reviews. Mentored architectural interns.

### Arthur L. (Larry) Kay, R.A. Summary of Qualifications

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**Experience** continued

1995-1997 Hilborn, Werner, Carter and Associates – Clearwater, FL

Review building plans for code compliance (building; planning; life safety; structural;

accessibility; electrical; plumbing; mechanical; energy).

Design and drafting of modular building plans.

#### **Professional Registrations**

Registered Architect in the following states:

Alabama 7920

Connecticut ARI.0013243 Florida AR-93849 Georgia RA013414 Illinois 001.02284 Indiana AR11500162

8499 Louisiana Maine ARC4412 Massachusetts 32249 New York 035405 North Carolina 12409 Pennsylvania RA408179 South Carolina 8740 Tennessee 104838 Texas 23469 West Virginia 5199

#### **Education**

Illinois Institute of Technology (Chicago) – Bachelor of Architecture: 1995

#### **Professional Organizations**

Member of American Institute of Architects Member of American Society of Home Inspectors (inactive)

#### Catherine Ramirez Elbo Summary of Qualifications

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#### **Experience**

July 2014 – Expert Modular Consultants, LLC – Tampa, FL

Plans Examiner: Review building plans for code compliance (building; planning; life safety; structural; accessibility; electrical; plumbing; mechanical; energy)
Review manufacturer's quality control manuals and structural calculations.
Code consulting (all disciplines)

March 2013-June 2014 RADCO – Long Beach, CA

Plans Examiner: Review building plans for code compliance (building; planning; life safety; structural; accessibility; electrical; plumbing; mechanical; energy)
Review manufacturer's quality control manuals and structural calculations.
Code consulting (all disciplines)

March 2008-July 2008 Zoser Design Build Group, Inc. – Winter Park, FL

Project Manager. Manage internal office operations including: architectural design and drafting; construction documents; construction administration for residential and commercial projects.

Jan 2006 -

Bay Area Remodelers, Inc. – Clearwater, FL

Jan 2008

Architectural Designer. Prepared and coordinated project plans and construction documents for sunroom additions. Coordinated applications for building permits. Performed field inspections to verify compliance with construction documents.

Feb 2000 – Sep 2005 Zoser Design Build Group, Inc. – Winter Park, FL

Architectural Designer/Project Coordinator. Architectural design. Coordinated preparation and delivery of project plans and construction documents to comply with client objectives and building code requirements. Construction administration and review of shop drawings. Performed field inspections to verify compliance with construction documents and resolve problems. Residential and commercial projects.

May 1997 –

Zenitaka – IADECCO, JO – Gresik – East Java, Indonesia

Sep 1998

Architect. Design and drafting of shop drawings and as-built drawings and material take-off calculations for the Gresik Copper Smelter project. Inspect metal fabrications.

Jan 1995 –

Correa Zenitaka, Inc. – Makati, Philippines

Mar 1997

Job Captain/Draftsman. Prepare and supervise production of shop and as-built drawings and architectural drawings.

#### Catherine Ramirez Elbo Summary of Qualifications

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#### **Experience (continued)**

1991- RAD-Tech Construction – Manila, Philippines

1994

Draftsman. Prepare construction drawings (architectural; structural; mechanical;

plumbing; electrical.)

#### **Education**

Mapua Institute of Technology (Manila, Philippines) – Bachelor of Science in Architecture – 1996

Crescent Technologies Institute (Manila, Philippines) – Computer Aided Drafting and Design – 1998

#### **Professional Registrations**

Licensed Architect – Philippines

In the process of obtaining registration in Florida. Architectural Registration Exam Candidate ID No. 01477363

National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) No. 147653

#### S.A. Acosta Summary of Qualifications

#### **Experience**

April 2014 -

Expert Modular Consultants, LLC - Tampa, FL

Present

Assists with scheduling of plan review projects and inspection projects.

Assists with submitting approved documents to state agencies. Maintains records of approved plans and inspection reports.

Label (Insignia) coordinator for EMC and state labels.

Oct 2007-

RADCO - Tampa, FL

Feb 2014

Assists with scheduling of plan review projects and inspection projects.

Assists with submitting approved documents to state agencies. Maintains records of approved plans and inspection reports.

### Jake Waters Summary of Qualifications

#### **Experience**

August 2018 - Expert Modular Consultants, LLC - Tampa, FL

Present

Plans Examiner: Review building plans for code compliance (building; planning; life

safety; structural; accessibility; electrical; plumbing; mechanical; energy)

Code consulting (all disciplines)

April 2017- Seeman Home Builders – Tampa, FL

July 2018

Construction Assistant: Assist in planning and design of home; read and apply

architectural specifications per blueprints; Provide physical support for all trades on site.

July 2015- MegaSteel - Tampa, FL

April 2017

Structural Ironworker: Read and apply iron structural blueprints and shop drawings; read architectural specifications to determine task and materials sequencing; Accurately

measure and mark for layout and drilling; demonstrate working knowledge and

understanding of structural steel components.

Education

April 2017 – Hillsborough Community College/Everglades University – Tampa, FL

Present BA in Construction Management

July 2015 Santa Fe College – Gainesville, FL

AA in Environmental Science

Certifications

May 2018 Autodesk Certified User

Hillsborough Community College - Tampa, FL

#### Regina Strickland-West **Summary of Qualifications**

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#### **Experience Related to Inspections:**

Modular Building Inspector August 2020-present

Expert Modular Consultants, LLC

**Quality Auditor** 

ICC NTA, LLC March 2017-July 2020

**Chief Building Inspector** 

City of Tifton October 2016-March 2017

**Building Official** May 2015 - September 2016

City of Moultrie Planning and Community Development Department

Administrative Coordinator / Permit Technician

City of Moultrie Planning and Community Development Department March 2006 - May 2015

Area Coordinator (Supervisor)

Clayton Manufactured Homes March 2001 - May 2002

Quality Assurance Manager

Fleetwood Homes of Georgia September 2000 – March 2001

**Quality Assurance Manager** 

General Manufacturing Housing May 1999 – September 2000

Job Process / Quality Coordinator

Fleetwood Homes of Georgia August 1994 – May 1999

#### **Professional Certifications**

International Code Council (ICC) 8004782 Accessibility Inspector/Plans Examiner

Fire Inspector Levels I & II

Residential and Commercial Combination Inspector

Residential and Commercial Electrical Inspector

Residential and Commercial Building Inspector

Residential and Commercial Plumbing Inspector

Residential and Commercial Mechanical Inspector

Residential and Commercial Energy Inspector

ICC / AACE Property Maintenance and Housing Inspector

Permit Technician

Industrialized Building Commission (IBC)

Industrialized Building Inspector (I-297)

State of California Department of Housing and Community Development

California Factory Built Housing QA Inspector (FBH) IF1501311

California Mfg Housing QA Inspector (MH) IMI 1501683

State of Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation

Modular Inspector (SMI-104)

State of Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council

Certified Third Party Provider (U02636)

#### Regina Strickland-West Summary of Qualifications

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State of North Carolina Modular Building Program

Commercial Modular Building Inspector – all disciplines

Residential Modular Building Inspector – all disciplines

State of Ohio Board of Building Standards

Residential and Non-Residential Industrialized Unit Inspector (6232)

Texas Industrialized Housing and Buildings Program
Third Party Inspector (IHI-218)

#### **Education**

2014 International Association of Certified Home Inspectors

Major: Professional Certified Inspector - Certificate

2013 Allied Business Schools

Major: Professional Home Inspector - Certificate

Moultrie Technical College

2008 Major: Carpentry – Certificate

Relevant Coursework: Construction Print Reading Fundamentals, Site Layout, Footers/Foundations, Floor

Framing, and Wall Framing

2007 Major: Business Office Technology - Diploma

Relevant Coursework: Advanced Document Processing, Database Fundamentals, Office Procedures, Machine

Transcription, Advanced Word Processing, Spreadsheet Fundamentals, and Office Accounting

2006 Major: Supervisory Management Specialist - Certificate

Relevant Coursework: Interpersonal Employee Relations - Leadership and Decision Making - Training And

Performance Evaluation

1987 Dougherty Comprehensive High School Albany, GA

Major: General Studies - Diploma

### Expert Modular Consultants, LLC Third Party Inspection Agency – Updated Information Indiana Industrialized Buildings Program

#### 675 IAC 15-1.5-2(b)(10): Third Party Agency Experience

Expert Modular Consultants was incorporated in March 2014 and provides code consulting, plan review, independent inspection and quality assurance consulting services to the industrialized/modular building industry. Key personnel have decades of experience providing these services. Our technical staff has extensive experience providing third party plan review and inspection services under numerous state modular building regulatory programs and has other relevant design, review and inspection experience.

Mr. Robert Johnson has been providing code review and inspection services to the manufactured building industry since 1979, with prior experience in building code enforcement in state government and construction. He is certified as plans examiner and inspector in all code disciplines by the International Code Council and is certified as a third-party provider in all of those same disciplines by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council. Mr. Johnson also is licensed or certified as a plan reviewer and inspector under several state modular building regulatory programs including: Florida; North Carolina; Ohio; Texas; and the Interstate Industrialized Buildings Commission. He has more than 35 years of experience as manager of third-party plan review and inspection services under numerous state modular building regulatory programs.

Mr. A. Larry Kay, R.A. is a registered architect with registrations in sixteen (16) states. Mr. Kay has some 18 years of experience designing buildings and evaluating the structural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing and fire protection elements of modular building designs to verify compliance with applicable codes and standards. This experience includes 14 years of experience working for third party design review and inspection agencies that serve the modular building industry. He also has some 6 years of experience inspecting both residential and commercial properties.

Ms. Catherine Elbo is an architect with over fifteen years of experience in the design and construction of commercial and residential buildings. She has been working as a third-party plans examiner of modular building plans since March of 2013. She reviews building plans for compliance with code requirements (all disciplines) and provides code consulting services (all disciplines).

Mr. Jake Waters has been employed as a plan reviewer by EMC since August of 2018. He reviews building plans for compliance with code requirements (all disciplines) and provides code consulting services (all disciplines). He has previous experience in construction and drafting and an AA degree in Environmental Science.

Ms. Regina Strickland-West has been a third-party inspector in the modular building industry since 2017, with prior experience as a quality control manager for manufacturers of manufactured and modular homes and as a building inspector for municipalities in Georgia. She is certified as an inspector in all code disciplines by the International Code Council and is certified as a third-party provider in all of those same disciplines by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council. Ms. Strickland-West also is licensed or certified as an inspector under several state modular building regulatory programs including: Florida; North Carolina; Ohio; Texas; and the Interstate Industrialized Buildings Commission.

#### Third Party Agency Experience (continued)

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Ms. S.A. Acosta has more than thirteen years of administrative and technical experience in the modular building industry. This includes project coordination of plan reviews, quality control manuals, inspections and recertification of existing buildings as well as maintenance of approved plans, inspection reports and other documents required by state modular program rules and public records laws.

Resumes summarizing the qualifications our personnel are provided in the following pages of this application packet.

When hiring additional technical personnel in the future, qualifications will be evaluated based upon the criteria set forth in ASTM E541 or personnel will be required to obtain ICC certifications in the appropriate areas within 18 months of employment and maintain such certifications in an active status.

Revised 10/2023

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#### 675 IAC 15-1.5-2(b)(10) Other State Approvals (as of October 23, 2023)

Expert Modular Consultants, LLC is approved as a design review and inspection agency under the modular building, regulatory programs administered by the following states.

| Alabama   | New York                |
|---|-------------------------|
| Arizona   | North Carolina          |
| Arkansas  | North Dakota (via IIBC) |
| California (commercial only)                          | Ohio                    |
| Colorado  | Rhode Island (via IIBC) |
| Florida   | South Carolina          |
| Georgia   | South Dakota            |
| Idaho   | Tennessee               |
| Illinois  | Texas                   |
| Indiana   | Virginia                |
| Iowa  |                         |
| Interstate Industrialized Buildings Commission (IIBC) |                         |
| Kentucky  |                         |
| Louisiana   |                         |
| Maryland  |                         |
| Massachusetts   |                         |
| Michigan  |                         |
| Minnesota (via IIBC)                                  |                         |
| Missouri  |                         |
| Montana   |                         |
| Nevada  |                         |
| New Hampshire   |                         |
| New Jersey (via IIBC)                                 |                         |
| New Mexico  |                         |

# Expert Modular Consultants, LLC Application for Approval as a Third-Party Inspection Agency Indiana Industrialized Buildings Program

#### 675 IAC 15-1.5-2(b)(10) & (11) List of Manufacturers and Status

EMC currently provides third-party inspection services to the following manufacturing facilities for all state programs under which EMC is currently approved as a third-party inspection agency. A list of the states where EMC is an approved agency is provided in this application packet.

| BIG Enterprises – South El Monte, CA          |
|---|
| BOXMAN STUDIOS – Charlotte, NC                |
| Custom Control Solutions – Cantonment, FL     |
| Concrete Modular Systems – Tarpon Springs, FL |
| Diamond Builders – Douglas, GA                |
| First String Space – Pearson, GA              |
| G-CON Manufacturing – College Station, TX     |
| T&R Custom – Ellaville, GA                    |
| PROMOD Manufacturing – Ellaville, GA          |