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CONTRACTORS BOARD FRAUD INVESTIGATION LEADS TO INDICTMENT AGAINST DREW LEVY

HENDERSON, Nev. – Following an extensive investigation by the Nevada State Contractors Board’s Fraud Division, the Grand Jury returned an indictment from the Clark County District Attorney’s office against Drew Levy, former qualified employee and 30 percent owner of Summerlin Energy Las Vegas, LLC, on 18 felony counts as a result of theft and diversion of funds of homeowners between July 31, 2015 through February 24, 2016. Chief Deputy District Attorney J.P. Raman said more charges are likely.

The indictment alleges nine victims with an estimated loss of \$140,000, after they paid for the installation of solar panels and had no materials delivered or work performed on their home. A warrant for Levy’s arrest was issued on September 7, and bail is set in the amount of \$500,000.

“The indictment of Drew Levy is a testament to the investigative efforts of George Lyford and Jack Snyder who led the fraud investigation for the Board,” stated NSCB Executive Officer Margi Grein. “Our partnership with the Clark County District Attorney to bring Mr. Levy to justice is not only a win for the many homeowners and families affected by his actions, but for the public at-large. Let this be a strong message to other contractors who take advantage of the trust their customers place in them that any fraudulent actions will not be taken lightly.”

The Board’s Fraud Unit investigated Levy in the wake of a March 31, 2016 disciplinary hearing where the licenses of Summerlin Energy were revoked by Administrative Law Judge Philip M. Pro. Pro sustained 46 of 48 Causes of Action against Summerlin Energy for taking money without providing adequate work or materials, and failing to pay its vendors, which resulted in liens being placed on homeowner properties who had paid the company in full.

On August 4, 2016, the Board's Residential Recovery Fund Committee ordered \$400,000 in financial recourse be made to 133 homeowners damaged by Summerlin Energy – the maximum amount that can be paid in claims per contractor pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute 624.510.

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