

Commerce Contractor Registration Rule ~ Recent Change Has Been Made

After recent discussion with the Department of Commerce (DOC), WBA has learned of one change that will be contained in the permanent administrative rule that was not originally included in the emergency rule. The language of the original emergency rule did not require those exempt contractors who were already registered to confirm they are doing business with a contractor who carries the credential. Those exempt contractors include any person who holds one of the following:

1. A **dwelling contractor** certification.
2. A dwelling contractor – restricted certification.
3. A manufactured home manufacturer license.
4. A manufactured home dealer license.
5. A manufactured home installer license.
6. An **electrical contractor** certification.
7. An electrical contractor – restricted certification.
8. An **HVAC contractor** registration.
9. An **elevator contractor** license.

The DOC has made that change and will now require those exempt categories to do business with those in compliance with the requirement. As a safety measure, WBA cautions all contractors to be sure their subcontractors are registered, before contracting any projects scheduled to begin July 1, 2009 and beyond.