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Portland, Maine



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August 27, 2015

STONE COAST HOLDINGS LLC

111 HILLSIDE AVE

FALMOUTH, ME 04105

CBL: 163 E003005

Located at 527 OCEAN AVE

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROSECUTE

Dear Owner/Manager/Occupant,

An inspection of the property located at the address referenced above revealed that the structure and premises fail to comply with NFPA 2009 Fire Code and/or NFPA Life Safety Codes. Attached is a list of those violations.

The above-referenced property is in violation of the Chapter 10, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article 1 of the Portland City Code (the "Code") and National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 101 Life Safety Code. Please note that the Code is available online at www.portlandmaine.gov.

This is a notice of intent to prosecute. As such, the matter is being referred to the City of Portland Corporation Council for legal action and possible civil penalties as provided for in Chapter 10, Fire Prevention and Protection, 10-25 of the Code and in Title 30- A.M.R.S.A. 4452.

Please be advised that you will need to contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at 207-874-8400 before the court date on the attached Reference to Court letter to either schedule a re-inspection or to submit a plan of action to correct these violations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "A/C Kaitlin J. Gauthier".

Portland Fire Department

Fire Prevention Bureau

**CITY OF PORTLAND
PORTLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT**

380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Inspection Violations

Owner/Manager STONE COAST HOLDINGS LLC		Inspector Christopher Champagne	Inspection Date 8/26/2015
Location 527 OCEAN AVE	CBL 163 E003005	Status Failed	Inspection Type Fire Company-FP Routine Inspec

Code	Int/Ext	Floor	Unit No.	Area	Compliance Date
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1) 69.05

Violation: PORTLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT CHAPTER 10 4.3.1, 4.3.2 BUILDING ADDRESS NOT MARKED ON BUILDING; 4.3.1 Signs shall be located in a position readily visible as approaching from the main access and approved by the Fire Department. Signs shall be illuminated or retro reflective on a contrasting background and the letter(s) size shall be approved by the Fire Department.

4.3.2 Street Address shall be clearly marked on the front of the building and building sign as approved by the Fire Department.

Notes: BUILDING ADDRESS MUST BE POSTED ON STREET SIDE OF BUILDING

2) 73.15

Violation: NFPA 31.3.1.1.1 VERTICAL OPENINGS NOT FIRE RATED; VERTICAL OPENINGS SHALL BE ENCLOSED OR PROTECTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8.6.

Notes: CEILING IN SUITE #4 LOBBY MISSING TILES

3) 80.16

Violation: NFPA 101-7.9.3 EMERGENCY LIGHTS REQUIRE MAINTENANCE; 7.9.3 Periodic Testing of Emergency Equipment

7.9.3.1 Required emergency lighting systems shall be tested in accordance with one of the three options offered by 7.9.3.1.1, 7.9.3.1.2, or 7.9.3.1.3.

7.9.3.1.1 Testing of required emergency lighting systems shall be permitted to be conducted as follows:

(1) Functional testing shall be conducted monthly with a minimum of 3 weeks and a maximum of 5 weeks between tests, for not less than 30 seconds, except as otherwise permitted by 7.9.3.1.1(2).

(2) The test interval shall be permitted to be extended beyond 30 days with the approval of the authority having jurisdiction.

(3) Functional testing shall be conducted annually for a minimum 1-1/2 hours if the emergency lighting system is battery powered.

(4) The emergency lighting equipment shall be fully operational for the duration of the test required by 7.9.3.1.1(1) and (3).

(5) Written records of visual inspections and tests shall be kept by the owner for inspection by the authority having jurisdiction.

Notes: FRONT LOBBY, SUITE # 1, #2, AND #3

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4) 80.32

Violation: NFPA 101-7.10.9 TESTING AND MAINTENANCE EXIT SIGNS REQUIRE MAINTENANCE; 7.10.9.1 Inspections. Exit signs shall be visually inspected for operation of the illumination sources at intervals not to exceed 30 days.

7.10.9.2 Testing. Exit signs connected to, or powered with, a battery-operated emergency illumination source shall be tested and maintained in accordance with 7.9.3.

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Notes: SUITE #2 AND EXIT OFF LOBBY TO PARKING LOT

5) 80.68

Violation: NFPA 101-7.10.5.1 NORMAL ILLUMINATION FOR EXITS; Every sign required by 7.10.1.2, 7.10.1.5, or 7.10.8.1, other than where operations or processes require low lighting levels, shall be suitably illuminated by a reliable light source. Externally and internally illuminated signs shall be legible in both the normal and emergency lighting mode.

Notes: NO LIGHTED EXIT SIGN FOR FIRE ESCAPE OFF REAR OF SUITE # 4

6) 81.10

Violation: PORTLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT CHAPTER 10 FIRE ALARM INSPECTION STICKER REQUIRED; Provide annual fire alarm inspection sticker at the annunciator. This sticker must be provided by a licensed master fire alarm company. A list of licensed master fire alarm companies can be found at: www.portlandmaine.gov/fireprevention.

Notes: SYSTEM NOT INSPECTED OR TAGGED

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7) 81.15

Violation: PORTLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT CHAPTER 10 FIRE ALARM SYSTEM REQUIRES SERVICE; FIRE ALARM SYSTEM REQUIRES SERVICE BY A LICENSED MASTER FIRE ALARM COMPANY. A LIST OF LICENSED MASTER FIRE ALARM COMPANIES CAN BE VIEWED AT: WWW.PORTLANDMAINE.GOV/FIREPREVENTION.

Notes: SYSTEM IN TROUBLE CONDITION

8) 91.15

Violation: NFPA 70- ARTICLE 110.12 B EXPOSED WIRING CONNECTIONS; Internal parts of electrical equipment, including busbars, wiring terminals, insulators, and other surfaces, shall not be damaged or contaminated by foreign materials such as paint, plaster, cleaners, abrasives, or corrosive residues. There shall be no damaged parts that may adversely affect safe operation or mechanical strength of the equipment such as parts that are broken; bent; cut; or deteriorated by corrosion, chemical reaction, or overheating.

Notes: MISSING SWITCH COVER IN SUITE # 2

Comments:

STATE OF MAINE

DISTRICT COURT

Location: Portland

Docket No.

CITY OF PORTLAND and body politic and
Corporate, located in the County of
Cumberland and State of Maine,

Plaintiff,

v.

Stone Coast Holdings LLC
Defendant

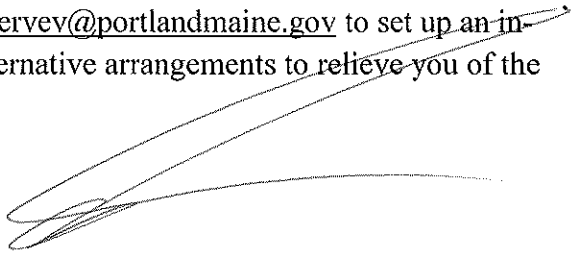
**FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION
CODE VIOLATION**

(M.R. CIV. P. 80H AND 80k)

SUMMONS NUMBER: 354900

This matter has been referred to the Corporation Counsel's Office for immediate legal action with respect to the code violations detailed in the attached letter. It has been assigned the above summons number and will be filed with the Portland District Court and will be assigned for an initial appearance at the Portland District Court 205 Newbury Street Portland, Maine 04101 at 8:30 A.M. on 11/09/2015. I strongly urge you to contact Tori Meserve at Fire Prevention at (207)-874-8400 or via e-mail at meservev@portlandmaine.gov to set up an in-person meeting to resolve these issues or make alternative arrangements to relieve you of the requirement to appear in Court on 11/09/2015.

Dated: 8/31/15



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