

**PREFAB PINE CABINS INC.
AND ANTHONY LAUZON
AND TO
ANY EMPLOYEE, REPRESENTATIVE, OR AGENT OF
PREFAB PINE CABINS INC. AND/OR ANTHONY LAUZON**

This Director's Order was issued under s. 157.1 of the *Fair Trading Act* in response to, in the opinion of the Director, contraventions of the Act. As mandated by s. 157.1 of the *Fair Trading Act*, this Director's Order is part of the public record.

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DIRECTOR'S ORDER UNDER SECTION 157 OF THE FAIR TRADING ACT

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Issues

About July 9, 2011 Director, Anthony Lauzon representing Prefab Pine Cabins Inc. attended a consumer's residence and negotiated a prepaid contract to supply materials for a 16' x 20' cabin.

The written contract dated July 9, 2011 for \$24,900.00 did not comply with the *Fair Trading Act*. A \$4,900.00 deposit was paid on July 9, 2011 with the balance of \$20,000.00 paid on July 26, 2011.

A Prepaid Contracting Business means that activities of soliciting, negotiating or concluding in person, at any place other than the seller's place of business, a construction or maintenance contract in which all or part of the contract price is to be paid before all of the goods or services called for in the contract are provided. Under Section 10 of the *Prepaid Contracting Business Licensing Regulation*, when a prepaid contract is for a value of more than \$200.00, the prepaid contracting business must ensure the prepaid contract complies with the requirements of Section 35 of the *Fair Trading Act* and sets out the quality or types of materials to be used under the contract and the services and work to be carried out under the contract. A person who engages in a prepaid contracting business and who enters into a prepaid contract with a consumer must provide a copy of the signed contract to the consumer on or before the date work commences or within 10 days of the signing, whichever comes first.

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Anthony Lauzon entered into prepaid contracts without holding this license. Anthony Lauzon and Prefab Pine Cabins Inc. were informed of the prepaid contracting license requirements; however, as of November 16, 2011, there is no record they have applied for or been issued a licence.

Order

Prefab Pine Cabins Inc. and Anthony Lauzon must immediately:

1. Cease entering into prepaid contracts until they have obtained a provincial license as a prepaid contracting business, and
2. Stop taking down payments, deposits or progress payments from consumers before the goods or services are fully supplied or completed until they meet the licensing requirements.

NON COMPLIANCE WITH ORDER

ANY PERSON WHO FAILS TO COMPLY WITH AN ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR UNDER SECTION 157 OF THE *FAIR TRADING ACT* CONTRAVENES THIS ACT AND IS GUILTY OF AN OFFENCE AND MAY BE PROSECUTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 163 OF THE *FAIR TRADING ACT*.



Scott Hood
Director of Fair Trading (as delegated)
November 17, 2011