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CERTIFICATE OF CONTRACTOR RECESTRATION

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EXHIBIT

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Certificate of Independent Contractor Exemption This is to certify that BRANDON N KUEFFLER 501 2ND AVE LARREL MT 59044

has sworn to the Department of Labor and Industry he/she is:

- engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, profession or business, and
- is free from control or direction by the hiring agent over the performance of his/her services.

for the occupation(s) of **** ROOFING CONTRACTOR ****

Effective Dates: November 9, 1998

to November 9, 2001

THIS EXEMPTION ONLY APPLIES TO THE ABOVE NAMED INDIVIDUAL AND DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY EMPLOYEES HEISHE MAY HIRE OR ANY OTHER SUBCONTRACTORS HIRED BY THE ABOVE NAMED INDIVIDUAL.

This certificate does not relieve the hiring agent of its responsibility for establishing that a person is an independent contractor.

The law defines an independent contractor as one who renders services in the course of an occupation and:

- a. has been and will continue to be free from control or direction over the performance of the services, both under the contract and in fact: and
- b. is engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, profession, or business.

If an individual does not pass both tests, the employer must ensure workers' compensation coverage exists prior to hiring. If a hiring agent questions a worker's status, they may contact the Department of Labor and Industry. independent Contractor Central Unit at (406) 444-1446.

NOTICE: Montana law prohibits an employee from walving his/her rights under the workers' compensation and unemployment insurance law. An employer who purposely avoids his/her responsibility to provide workers' compensation insurance and unemployment insurance for employees may be committing employer misconduct, a felony, punishable by up to 10 years in prison and/or a \$50,000 fine.

This optional signature block is provided for independent contractors who wish to provide a copy of this certificate to hiring agents. This certificate should be photocopied prior to completion of this signature block.

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Brief description of work/task/job/contract			
Independent Contractor Signature	Social Security Number	Date	EXHIBIT
Hiring Agent Signature		Date 3	