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Contractors listen intently as Cal/OSHA representative Dave Strickler addresses work site safety issues and Cal/OSHA's free consultation service.

Another Successful Year for Contractor Education Seminars

Another round of successful free, fast and fascinating Contractor Education Seminars has been completed. Eight seminars held throughout the state, from as far north as Willits to as far south as Temecula, were well received by contractors in every classification. "Great seminar," "This seminar was well worth my time," and "Do this again and cover more topics," were among many of the comments contractors made after each presentation.

Hundreds of contractors took advantage of the opportunity to learn more about writing effective contracts, work site safety and Cal/OSHA's free consultation services. Each seminar also included a Q&A session with industry experts like Cal/OSHA representatives, construction law attorneys, building officials, and CSLB staff.

If you missed your chance to attend a seminar this year, watch future issues of this newsletter for news of the 2002 Contractor Education Seminar series.

C-31 License Now Required for Construction Zone Traffic Control

As of January 1, 2001, if you contract exclusively for construction zone traffic control work, you must hold the new C-31 license. However, if this work is part of or incidental to a larger project you are working on, then you do not need the additional C-31 license. For example, when resurfacing a roadway, an "A" contractor does not need a separate C-31 license to perform the necessary traffic control work because this work is part of or incidental to the overall resurfacing project. However, if the "A" contractor subcontracts the traffic control work to a specialty contractor, the specialty contractor must hold the C-31 classification.

The C-31 classification was developed in response to legislation passed last year (AB 1206). It is defined in the California Code of Regulations, section 832.31 which states:

A construction zone traffic control contractor prepares or removes lane closures, flagging, or traffic diversions, utilizing portable devices such as cones, delineators, barricades, sign stands, flashing beacons, flashing arrow trailers, and changeable message signs on roadways including, but not limited to, public streets, highways or public conveyance.

Note: A C-31 contractor may not take a contract that is strictly for the installation/removal of signs on any highway construction zone project. A C-61/D-42 Sign Installation (nonelectrical) license is required for this work. However, if the sign installation/removal is part of an overall construction zone traffic control project, then the work could be performed under the C-31 license.

If you wish to add the new classification to your license, you must submit an "Application for Additional Classification." This application is available at www.cslb.ca.gov or by calling (800) 321-2752. For questions, contact Joyce May at (916) 255-4089, jmay@dca.cslb.ca.gov, or P.O. Box 26000, Sacramento, CA 95827.

License Required for Calibration of Underground Storage Monitoring Equipment

CSLB has reinstated the Service Station Maintenance and Repair classification (C-61/D-40) in response to requests from the Air Resources Board and the State Water Resources Control Board and to conform with SB 989.

Chaptered into law last year, SB 989 requires licensure of individuals who calibrate underground storage tank monitoring equipment. The State Water Resources Control Board believes that about 150 individuals who perform calibration work will need to obtain a C-61/D-40 license prior to the January 1, 2002, deadline. All new licenses will be limited to calibration work and only individuals using calibration work for their qualifying experience will qualify for the license.

The C-61/D-40 classification was discontinued in the early 1990s when work previously performed under this license was subsumed by other existing license classifications. At the time, C-61/D-40 licensees were allowed to keep their license but new applicants were required to obtain another appropriate license classification. Currently about 250 licensees hold the C-61/D-40 classification.

Applications to add this classification to an existing license may be downloaded from the Board's web site at www.cslb.ca.gov or ordered from the Board by calling (800) 321-2752. Questions regarding this issue can be directed to Joyce May at (916) 255-4089 or jmay@dca.cslb.ca.gov.



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NEXT BOARD MEETING:

July 18, 2001—San Diego

Bert Sandman Receives Contractor Achievement Award

Contractors State License Board Member John "Bert" Sandman was honored for his extraordinary service to the construction industry and the Associated General Contractors (AGC) of California at their 2001 Awards Banquet in March. After starting with A. Teichert & Son, Inc. as an equipment dispatcher, Mr. Sandman rose steadily through the ranks for 30 years and held a variety of posts including his most recent position as President and Chief Operating Officer. He was also a Director of the parent company, Teichert, Inc.



Bert Sandman

In addition to working with A. Teichert & Son, Inc., Mr. Sandman has been active with industry and business associations, holding posts with Transportation California and the State Board of Directors of AGC of California. He is also affiliated with the Rotary Club of Sacramento and the Executive Committee. Congratulations, Mr. Sandman for a job well done.

Chuck Center Joins CSLB

In February, Assembly Speaker Hertzberg appointed Chuck Center, of Sacramento, to serve as a public member of the Contractors State License Board. Mr. Center currently leads the Legislative Department of the California State Council of Laborers where he oversees legislative affairs for construction and maintenance laborers. A former administrator for the Foundation for Fair Contracting and representative of the California State Building and Construction Trades Council, Mr. Center now serves on the California Council on Economical and Environmental Balance, the Department of Industrial Relations' Public Works Advisory Committee and the Employment Development Department's Underground Economy Task Force Advisory Committee.



Chuck Center

"Mr. Center brings a wealth of industry knowledge to the Board," says Board Chairman, Joe Tavaglione. "He'll be a great asset." Mr. Center's term expires January 1, 2005.

Charles Bertucio Is Newest Board Member

Charles A. Bertucio, of Lafayette, is the newest member of the Contractors State License Board. Appointed to the Board in March by Governor Davis, Mr. Bertucio will serve as a public member. The Assistant Vice President of Insurance for the Ulico Casualty Company in San Francisco since 1998, Mr. Bertucio is also a member of the Governor's Workforce Investment Act Board. Previous accomplishments include serving as the creator, developer and principal for the GrandFund LLC in Lafayette and a three-year assignment with the Baltimore Orioles' minor league team.

Board Chairman, Joe Tavaglione reports "Mr. Bertucio's expertise will serve the Board well. I look forward to working with him." Mr. Bertucio's term expires June 1, 2004.

CSLB Enlists Input from Consumer Advisory Council

Working toward one main goal of the CSLB's mission — to protect consumers — the Board has created a Consumer Advisory Council (CAC). The Council meets quarterly to discuss, review and advise the Board and staff on consumer issues. Invited to participate based on their interest in consumer protection and community outreach, Council members represent a variety of community organizations.

Ensuring the consumer perspective is considered in prospective Board actions, the CAC will provide input on issues as identified by the Board and staff, as well as identify issues to be considered. Currently, the Council's top priority is consumer education and outreach.

Subject Matter Experts Make a Difference

Several months ago we asked for contractor participation in our Subject Matter Expert (SME) Program. The response was so successful we are now asking C-2, C-4, C-7, C-9, C-17, C-21, C-29, C-32, C-34, C-36, C-42, C-47, C-45, C-55, C-57 and HAZ contractors to share their expertise.

When CSLB staff asked SMEs why they participated in the program, many responded, "I'm helping to increase the professionalism of my trade," "I want to give back to the professional community," and "I want to ensure the test includes important new practices of the trade and that it doesn't test on outdated materials and procedures." We hope some of these responses are meaningful to you because the testing staff hopes to see YOU at an upcoming workshop!

Here are the answers to some frequently asked questions about the workshops:

What would I be doing in the workshop? Workshop activities are explained as each workshop begins. Specific activities depend upon your particular trade because each trade is in a different stage of test development. However, as each examination comes up for review, you may do any of the following activities:

- Determine the tasks current licensees are performing in the field
- Verify that the examination outline is accurate and complete

- Write new test questions for your trade examination
- Review and edit existing test questions
- Determine the passing score for the examination

What qualifications do I need to participate? You must possess an active contractor's license. Your unique experience and knowledge of your trade is the most important quality you bring to the workshop.

What do I need to bring with me? You might be asked to bring materials that help you in your job. Otherwise, we only need your trade knowledge.

Will I receive anything for participating? Contractors receive a \$200 honorarium for participating in the two-day workshop. Those traveling more than 50 miles will also be reimbursed certain travel and lodging expenses.

What can I do to help if I can't spare the time away from work? CSLB is currently sending out questionnaires regarding C-29, C-32, C-45, C-47, C-55, and C-57 licenses, and will use contractor responses in developing future trade license examinations. If you receive a questionnaire, please complete and return it in the provided envelope.

How can I let you know I want to participate? Call (916) 255-3221, and leave your name, license classification, telephone and fax numbers, and we will get in touch with you.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



As the legislative season gets started, the Contractors State License Board is actively pursuing many

legislative changes. Some of the issues Board staff is working on are listed below:

Citations for False License Numbers

This measure will allow Board staff to issue citations to unlicensed people using phony license numbers or license numbers belonging to someone else. Although current law allows for criminal prosecution in such circumstances, prosecutors often avoid legal conviction unless major financial injury is involved. Without a criminal complaint, unlicensed contractors may currently escape penalty for using a false license number.

Collecting Penalties

As a way to substantially increase the Board's collection record for non-licensee citations, this measure will extend the Board's collection period to four years for civil penalties and 10 years for civil penalties that have been converted to a judgment. The measure will also authorize the Registrar to engage the services of a collection agency for these purposes.

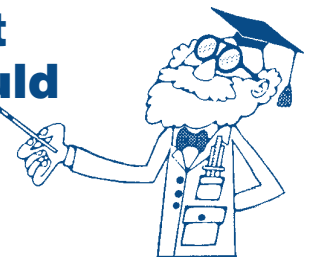
Exam Fee Waivers for Good Cause

This measure will give applicants 18 months to pass a qualifying exam, instead of the current three tries. It will also extend an application up to 90 days and allow applicants to reschedule an exam without charge if documented evidence shows the failure to comply was due to a medical emergency or other circumstance beyond the applicant's control.

Log on to the web sites below for listings of classes offered by government and trade organizations throughout the state.

- For free payroll tax seminars offered by the Employment Development Department, visit www.edd.gov/txsem.htm where you will find classes scheduled through the end of the year.
- For a listing of seminars and services offered by the U.S. Small Business Association SCORE (Service Corp of Retired Executives) log on to www.sba.gov and choose a chapter near you. Each chapter has different services and classes available to small business owners and those planning to start a business.
- The Building Education Center in Berkeley has a variety of courses for contractors and homeowners. Go to www.blgeductr.org for a course schedule. The schedule is updated quarterly. You may also call (415) 525-7610 for more information.

What Would You Do?



An anonymous contractor describes the following situation and invites fellow contractors to offer their advice on how to best handle this situation. Write or email the Public Affairs office at P.O. Box 26000, Sacramento, CA 95826 or Publicaffairs@cslb.ca.gov with your solution.

"I submitted a bid to subcontract work on a large project for a local school district. After I was granted the job, I discovered that I had bid roughly 25 percent or \$100,000 lower than the next lowest bid. After some investigation to find out how this could happen, I realized that the blueprints I bid from were missing a sheet of electrical specs. Does the general contractor have a responsibility to notify a subcontractor if his bid is extremely low? Are architects responsible for ensuring a full set of blueprints is available for contractors and subcontractors to bid from? What is the best way to solve this problem now and how can I avoid it in the future?"

Managing Construction and Demolition Wastes



Construction and demolition (C&D) activities generate a significant amount of waste materials that can often be recycled rather than disposed in landfills.

Sixty to eighty percent of construction job site waste is wood, drywall, and cardboard, according to the National Association of HomeBuilders Research Center. Bricks and blocks are insignificant in volume, but can be important in terms of weight. Facilities that take these readily recyclable materials usually charge less than landfill tipping fees, reducing the disposal cost to contractors.

The California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) has several material recycling fact sheets and a list of recyclers/processors that accept different categories of C&D materials. CIWMB has also contracted with the California Building Industry Association's training arm — the Building Industry Institute — to train building contractors, construction superintendents, and other members of CBIA to implement active recycling and reuse of C&D debris on construction projects.

Deconstruction, the process of carefully dismantling a building, creates opportunities to recover salvageable and often valuable materials for reuse. Although deconstruction may not be economically feasible for all projects, it should be considered. To expand deconstruction techniques and learn from other projects, the CIWMB recently funded deconstruction training projects in San Francisco

and Los Angeles, conducted deconstruction training and developed a training manual.

Recognizing significant amounts of C&D wastes (about 20–30%) in their waste stream, many local governments have adopted ordinances requiring recycling-related activities on construction and demolition projects such as prepared waste management plans, required deposits upon permit application refundable only upon compliance with recycling requirements, and announcement of impending structure demolition for the potential to salvage materials.

Steps for effective construction waste management include developing a waste management plan, estimating amount of waste to be generated, determining what is cost-effective to recycle, coordinating recycling by project phase, working with haulers to plan collection, and monitoring for quality control.

For more information on C&D recycling, visit www.ciwmb.ca.gov/condemo. To request the Deconstruction Training Manual mentioned above, contact Francisco Gutterres at (916) 255-2626 or Fgutterr@ciwmb.ca.gov.

An Important Phrase To Remember— “Call Before You Dig”



Beneath the yards and streets of every community lies an unseen network of electric, telephone, cable, gas, water, sewer and other underground facilities that provide services on which modern American life is built. If compromised by uninformed or illegal excavation, these cables, lines and pipes pose a serious threat to

public and excavator safety. A contractor erecting a fence might be electrocuted if he digs in the wrong place, and a professional excavator using large equipment might break a gasline, potentially endangering thousands of people.

The only safe accident is the one that never happens. With that in mind, Underground Service Alert (USA) North and South work to prevent excavation accidents by providing a communication link between the excavator and owner/operator of underground facilities. California law requires anyone planning to dig to call USA at (800) 227-2600 two working days in advance. In turn, USA will notify its members — owners and operators of underground facilities — who provide information about their facilities' locations, mark or stake their horizontal paths at the site, or provide clearance.

Five Steps for Safe Excavating:

- 1. Survey and Mark.** Survey and mark your proposed excavation site. Make a list of all the affected facility owners at your job site, their needs, and requirements.
- 2. Call Before You Dig.** Call USA two working days before you dig. Compare your list of affected facility owners with the list of those USA notifies. For your safety, contact any non-member facility owners at your job site.
- 3. Wait the Required Time.** The two-working-day notice allows USA members to examine their underground facility records and respond to you. They will then provide information about their facility location, mark or stake its horizontal path, or advise of clearance.
- 4. Respect the Marks.** Maintain facility marks for the duration of the job. If any of the utility markings are not reasonably visible, call USA and request remarking by the affected facility owner(s).
- 5. Dig With Care.** Hand excavate within 24 inches of a marked facility. Facilities in conflict with your excavation must be located by hand and protected before power equipment is used. Notify the affected utility of any contact, scrape, dent, nick or damage to their facility.

Remember, it's the law and it's the safe thing to do — so call (800) 227-2600 before you dig. If you would like more information on USA North call (925) 798-9504 or visit www.usanorth.org. For more information on USA South, visit www.digalert.org or call (909) 808-8100.



We Want Your Best Contracting Tips

Have you discovered a way to do your job better, faster, more economically or more efficiently? Would you like to share your idea with fellow contractors? If so, submit your idea to the Public Affairs office at CSLB, PO Box 26000, Sacramento, CA 95827 or at PublicAffairs@cslb.ca.gov. Each issue of the *CLC* will feature a new tip from the masters — you, the contractors in the field. Contractors submitting published tips will be awarded a small gift, so be sure to include your name, mailing address and phone number with your suggestion. Don't be shy, this column cannot exist without your input.

ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

CSLB Nabs Traveling Scam Artists

Four traveling scam artists posing as contractors were arrested on March 1 due to the diligent work of the California State License Board's Enforcement staff. The quartet was arrested for contracting without a license as they began to pave a parking lot in La Mesa. An 11-year old boy driving a steamroller for the group was also taken into protective custody. Best of all, the arrests were made before the con men were able to victimize California residents and businesses.

Reacting quickly to a tip from Arizona officials alerting them that the traveling clan was headed for San Diego, CSLB investigators discovered five of the group's seven brand new dump trucks featuring out-of-state license plates at various Mission Valley motel parking lots.

Travelers are typically organized groups, often related by family ties, who solicit home repair work. These groups follow the sun, often moving into California's warmer climate during winter months.

Although this group contracted with a small business owner to lay 5,000 square feet of asphalt for \$10,000, travelers often target older residential neighborhoods and mobile home parks, where they prey on elderly homeowners, widows and widowers. Tactics generally include offering potential consumers "reduced" rates for services they can render using "leftover" materials from another job. Once hired, these scam artists will do unnecessary, inadequate, or destructive work for a hefty price.

Unlicensed, Unscrupulous Contractor Arrested

An unlicensed and unscrupulous building contractor using deceit and an emotional sob story to defraud a couple out of thousands of dollars, has been sentenced to six months in county jail and must make \$10,000 in restitution to the victims. Should the contractor fail to make the restitution, he will be sentenced to state prison for three years on felony and misdemeanor charges of diversion of construction funds and contracting without a license.

The Contractors State License Board investigated the case and worked with the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office in filing criminal charges that led to the arrest of John Joseph Silva, Jr. on arrest warrants totaling \$150,000.

Silva took nearly \$20,000 from an Agoura Hills couple to remodel their pool and yard. Instead, the couple is left with an additional \$40,000 in damages after Silva left the pool cracked and unusable, the sprinkler system dismantled and broken, the decks destroyed, and the yard nothing but a pile of dirt and sand.

Last year Silva arrived unannounced at the couple's home to discuss the possibility of remodeling their pool and yards. Before the homeowners verbally agreed to the project, Silva cried as he told them an emotional tale of growing up in the neighborhood and swimming in their pool as a child.

An unlicensed contractor, Silva claimed he had just taken the contractor's examination and that he would be able to put everything in writing once he got his contractors license. In fact, Silva has never taken the test, has six citations issued by the

Contractors State License Board and owes \$12,500 in fines.

Pool Contractor Jailed on Grand Theft Charge

The Contractors State License Board (CSLB), in cooperation with the Merced and Stanislaus County Sheriff's Departments, arrested a swimming pool contractor charged with grand theft by false pretenses in March. Shawn David Nelson, owner of Diamond Pools, was booked into the Stanislaus County jail with bail set at \$250,000.

Mr. Nelson allegedly took \$137,000 from seven homeowners to build swimming pools that he never completed. One homeowner's complaint alleges Mr. Nelson collected more than \$45,000 to build a swimming pool but, to date, delivered only a hole and some gunnite work.

Swimming Pool Contractors Take Heed

The Contractors State License Board receives a disproportionate number of consumer complaints related to swimming pool contractors. A majority of these complaints relate to contractors "frontloading" their contracts or asking for payments in excess of work already completed on the project. This practice is prohibited in home improvement contracts as regulated by Business and Professions Code Section 7159(d & e), which reads:

(d) If the payment schedule contained in the contract provides for a down payment ... the down payment may not exceed \$200 or two percent of the contract price for swimming pools, whichever is less ...

(e) ... In no event may the payment schedule provide for the contractor to receive, nor may the contractor actually receive, payments in excess of 100 percent of the value of the work [already] performed on the project at any time ... except that the contractor may receive an initial down payment authorized by subdivision (d). ...

Violations of 7159 (d & e) may result in an administrative legal action that could lead to license suspension or revocation, and/or misdemeanor charges carrying a fine of up to \$5,000 and/or imprisonment.

HIC Continues Slow Growth

More than 50% of all licensed contractors (or 142,231) have earned their Home Improvement Certification (HIC) as of May 1. Original estimates projected that as many as 95 percent of licensed contractors (approximately 265,000) would need the certification, which is legally required to continue contracting with homeowners or subcontractors on a home improvement job. If you are not yet certified, you may take the 20-question open-book exam on the CSLB web site at www.cslb.ca.gov or call (800) 321-CSLB (2752) to order your printed test materials. Don't wait — some local building departments now refuse permits to contractors who are not certified. CSLB enforcement staff also routinely inspects HIC status when performing license checks on construction sites and during complaint investigations.



Disciplinary Actions

January – March 2001

NOTE: Disciplinary actions do not include licenses suspended for failure to maintain required bonds.

Business & Professions Code Sections

The following B&P Codes may be referenced in the list of Disciplinary Actions:

- 490 Relationship of conviction of a crime to licensed activity
- 7018.5 Failing to provide notice to owner regarding lien provisions
- 7026.7 Advertising as a contractor without a license
- 7028 Acting in the capacity of a contractor without license
- 7029 Contracting as a joint venture without the required license
- 7029.5 Failing, as a plumbing, electrical sign or well drilling contractor, to display identification on business vehicles
- 7030 Failing to include in a contract the notice that contractors are licensed by the Contractors State License Board
- 7030.5 Failing to fulfill the requirement that the contractor's license number be placed on all contracts, subcontracts, calls for bid, and other forms of advertising
- 7071.11 Judgment or admitted claim against bond
- 7083 Failing to report a change of address, namestyle, or personnel within 90 days
- 7085.6 Failing to comply with an arbitration award
- 7090.1 Failing to comply with civil penalty or "order to correct" in Registrar's citation
- 7097 Suspension of additional licenses
- 7098 Revocation of additional licenses
- 7099.6 Non-compliance with a final citation
- 7107 Abandonment of a project without legal excuse
- 7108 Diverted funds or property received for a specific job to other purposes
- 7109 Willfully disregarded plans and specifications, or failing to complete the job in a good and workmanlike manner
- 7109.5 Violation of Safety Laws resulting in death or serious injury
- 7110 Willful disregard and violation of building laws
- 7110.1 Violating Section 206.5 of the Labor Code
- 7111 Failing to keep records and to make them available to a representative of the Registrar
- 7111.1 Refusing to or failing to cooperate with deputy in investigation
- 7112 Misrepresentation of a material fact on an application
- 7113 Failing to complete a project for the price stated in the contract
- 7113.5 Avoiding or settling for less than lawful obligations as a contractor through the various bankruptcy proceedings
- 7114 Aiding and abetting an unlicensed person
- 7115 Failing to comply with the Contractors' Law
- 7116 Committing a willful or fraudulent act as a contractor
- 7117 Acting as a contractor out of namestyle
- 7117.5 Contracting with inactive license
- 7118 Contracting with unlicensed person
- 7119 Failing to prosecute a job with diligence
- 7120 Failing to pay for materials or services
- 7121 Prohibition against associating with suspended or revoked license
- 7122 Participation of license in violating Contractors Law
- 7122.5 Responsibility of Qualifying Person for acts committed by his/her principal
- 7123 Conviction of a Felony in connection with construction activities
- 7124 A plea of nolo contendere is considered a conviction
- 7154 Employment of unregistered home improvement salesman
- 7155 Participation in violation by a home improvement salesman
- 7157 Model Home kickback prohibition
- 7159 Failing to comply with contract requirements
- 7161(b) False advertising

License Revocations

Name	City	License No.	Date	Sections Violated
5 STAR GUNITE COMPANY	SAN JOSE	714702	1/25/01	7109A, 7115, 7159, 7159 (A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H), 7117.6, 7120, 7071.11, 7097, 7098, 7121.5
A & S CONSTRUCTION	BAY POINT	757973	1/22/01	7112, 498, 7111.1, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
A B DEVELOPMENT	VAN NUYS	717481	2/13/01	7090.1
A B DEVELOPMENT	VAN NUYS	717481	2/14/01	7090.1
A-1 CONSTRUCTION	COSTA MESA	715518	1/2/01	7030, 7109A, 7110, 7113, 7117.6, 7159 (B, D, F, G, K, L), 7154
AAA BUILDERS	SAN JOSE	648705	3/9/01	7107, 7113, 7115, 7159, 7071.11, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
AACENT CUSTOM BUILDERS	ROCKLIN	546441	2/16/01	7090.1
ABBOTT CONSTRUCTION	HERMOSA BEACH	695821	3/12/01	7090.1
ACCENT CUSTOM BUILDERS	ROCKLIN	546441	3/2/01	7107, 7109A, 7113, 7115, 7159 (A, B, C, F, G, J, K), 7018 (B), 7030C, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
ACCOMPLISHED CNSTRCTN & PAINTING CO.	CHULA VISTA	770551	3/15/01	7121, 7121.5, 7097, 7098
ACCOMPLISHED CNSTRCTN AND PAINTNG CO	SAN DIEGO	675743	3/15/01	7109 (A), 7113, 7159 (B, D, J), 7121, 7121.5, 7097, 7098
ACKERMAN/BELL CONSTRUCTION	NIPOMA	577360	1/29/01	7097, 7098, 7121
ADS CONSTRUCTION	SUNNYVALE	765640	2/7/01	7108, 7116, 7120, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
AIR COMFORT SERVICES UNLIMITED, INC	RIVERSIDE	708517	3/13/01	7097, 7098, 7121, 7122
AIR SUPPLY HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING	RIVERSIDE	416665	3/13/01	7029.1, 7083, 7109 (A), 7111, 7114, 7115, 7027.1, 7030, 7030.5, 7159, 7116, 7161 (A, B), 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122, 7122.5
AIRE SERV HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING	WALNUT CREEK	594827	3/26/01	7090.1
ALL WOOD WORKS CONSTRUCTION	PITTSBURG	645533	2/16/01	7090.1
ALTON D ENTS INC DBA ALTON CNTRCTRS	NEWPORT BEACH	636192	3/12/01	7090.1
ANGIULI JOSEPH	GLENORA	406280	1/18/01	7090.1
ARTESIAN DEVELOPMENT	PLEASANT GROVE	326491	2/10/01	7085.6
B J SYSTEMS INC	NOVATO	664122	3/2/01	7107, 7109A, 7113, 7159, 7030
BALIAN CONSTRUCTION	LAWRENCEBURG	409895	3/12/01	7090.1
BAY AREA CONSTRUCTION SPECIALISTS	CONCORD	771320	2/28/01	7107, 7109A, 7109B, 7113, 7115, 7159, 7116, 7120, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122.5
BEACH B R	LAKESIDE	505283	3/6/01	7090.1
BEEBE T R CONSTRUCTION	AUBURN	572226	3/1/01	7090.1
BEHNAME CONSTRUCTION	ENCINO	484580	1/19/01	7090.1
BEST HOME CONSTRUCTION	LOS ANGELES	747174	2/26/01	7083, 7107, 7109 (A), 7113, 7117 (A), 7120, 7159, 7161
BIG G CONSTRUCTION	DOWNEY	574986	1/25/01	7107, 7109 (B), 7113, 7159 (D, E), 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
BOULDER CONSTRUCTION	RIALTO	697468	1/28/01	7085.6
BOWMAN CRAIG	SAN JOSE	727598	1/9/01	7090.1
BRENTWOOD PAVING	BRENTWOOD	671215	3/1/01	7090.1
BRITMAR TILE	POWAY	709983	3/12/01	7090.1
BROOKE LANDSCAPING	SAN RAMON	612523	1/22/01	7107, 7115, 7159 (H, J), 7097, 7098, 7121
BUILDERS R US INC	NOVATO	640536	2/13/01	7090.1
C B M CONSTRUCTION	SUNNYVALE	737856	2/7/01	7107, 7109a, 7109b, 7113, 7117.5b, 7117.5c
CALIFORNIA ELECTRIC WORKS	AGOURA HILLS	435327	2/12/01	7090.1
CALIFORNIA VINYL	HEBER CITY	702555	2/13/01	7090.1
CMC ROOFING	ROWLAND HEIGHTS	715831	2/13/01	7090.1
COLEMAN FRANK	MARIPOSA	355291	3/26/01	7090.1
COX CONSTRUCTION	BAKERSFIELD	676229	1/9/01	7090.1
COX CONSTRUCTION	BAKERSFIELD	676229	1/12/01	7107, 7108, 7109A, 7113, 7115, 7159 (B, C, D, E, F, G, J, K, L), 7116, 7120, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
CRYSTAL BUILDERS	CHINO HILLS	656912	2/13/01	7090.1
DANNY MURRAY CONSTRUCTION	OAKLAND	541432	2/27/01	7109A, 7113, 7115, 7030.5, 7117A, 7117.6, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
DAVE HANNAH & SONS CONSTRUCTION	SHINGLE SPRINGS	696556	1/22/01	7109A, 7109B, 7113, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
DELTA CONSTRUCTION ROOFING	BLOOMINGTON	592768	1/18/01	7090.1
DELVIN CONSTRUCTION	ALAMEDA	558267	3/29/01	7107, 7109A, 7113, 7115, 7159E, 7125.1, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
DENNIS L RUSSELL CONSTRUCTION CO	ESCONDIDO	270537	3/15/01	490, 7123, 7097, 7098, 7121
DENNIS L RUSSELL CONSTRUCTION CO INC	ESCONDIDO	722570	3/15/01	7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
DIMA CONSTRUCTION	PLEASANT HILL	742992	1/25/01	7107, 7109 (A), 7110, 7111, 7113, 7115/7030, 7159, 7097, 7098, 7121.5
DOUGLAS EDWARD BOGREN	BLYTHE	460833	2/26/01	7018.5, 7107, 7109 (B), 7113, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
DUNN RITE	CHULA VISTA	376759	1/26/01	7107, 7099 (A), 7113, 7114, 7115, 7028, 7115/7159 (J), 7071.11
ERIC MANWILL GENERAL CONTRACTOR	PITTSBURG	635621	2/7/01	7107, 7109A, 7109B, 7113, 7116, 7115, 7159, 7117.5B, 7119, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
EYAL GLUZMAN	LOS ANGELES	743429	2/26/01	7107, 7116, 7117 (A), 7109 (A), 7113
FISCH ENVIRONMENTAL CONSTRUCTION	VALLEY SPRINGS	683665	1/3/01	7107, 7108, 7113, 7116, 7097, 7098, 7121.5
FIXAR CORPORATION	CHULA VISTA	722919	2/15/01	7090.1
FROMER MATTHEW CONSTRUCTION	CHATSWORTH	736073	3/1/01	7090.1
H J B CONSTRUCTION	MORENO VALLEY	370444	3/12/01	7090.1
HANNAH DAVE & SONS CONSTRUCTION	SHINGLE SPRINGS	696556	1/6/01	7085.6
HENRY'S	SAN RAFAEL	726324	1/9/01	7090.1
HENRY'S	SAN RAFAEL	726324	2/16/01	7090.1

License Revocations

Name	City	License No.	Date	Sections Violated
HERNANDEZ & G PAVING INC	SANTA PAULA	686709	3/1/01	7090.1
HOFER GARY EDWARD	FRESNO	301812	3/24/01	7085.6
IMPACT BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT	TUSCON	757753	1/18/01	7109 (B), 7110, 7116, 7120, 7028
IMPRESSIVE DESIGNS	OAKLAND	455140	2/11/01	7085.6
J & A NATIONAL DEV INC DBA J & A DEV	LOS ANGELES	645683	2/13/01	7090.1
J & J HORN PAINTING	COSTA MESA	685940	1/12/01	7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
J B ROOFING CO	PHOENIX	675279	1/9/01	7090.1
JAMES HORN	OAKLAND PARK	384192	1/12/01	7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
JOHNSON STUART G	EUREKA	672743	2/9/01	7085.6
KAYE CONSTRUCTION	RNCH SNT MRGRTA	399418	2/15/01	7090.1
KLEEN TOUCH PAINTING	SAN DIEGO	642967	3/6/01	7090.1
KNEW WAYS DEVELOPMENT CORP	BLYTHE	746641	2/26/01	7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
L C PRICE AND COMPANY	OAKLAND	752289	1/2/01	7107, 7109A, 7109B, 7113, 7115, 7030A, 7030B, 7159, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122.5
LAFAYETTE ROOFING	ESCONDIDO	733912	3/12/01	7090.1
LEE JONG DONG	LOS ANGELES	515407	2/19/01	7085.6
LITTLE ENTERPRISES	TORRANCE	672169	1/18/01	7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122.5
LOVING CONSTRUCTION	LAKE SIDE	742557	1/18/01	7107, 7113, 7159 (E), 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
M J ACKERMAN INC	SAN LUIS OBISPO	446454	1/29/01	7107, 7109A, 7109B, 7113, 7115/7164, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122.5
MARLER CONSTRUCTION	LOS GATOS	607535	1/2/01	7107, 7109A, 7109B, 7110, 7113, 7159 (B, D, E, F, G, J, K, L), 7115.5, 7117.5B, 7117.5C, 7120
MARSCAPE	VALLEY CENTER	507858	1/18/01	7107, 7109 (A), 7109 (B), 7113, 7117, 7117.6, 7120, 7030, 7159 (A, B, E, F, G, H, I, K, L), 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
MARTINEZ JOHN	BAKERSFIELD	729087	3/1/01	7090.1
MARVIN ROBERT DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT	MISSION VIEJO	591155	1/2/01	7085.6
MC VEY DENNY CONST	CODY	485031	2/16/01	7090.1
MID VALLEY CONSTRUCTION	MODESTO	548608	3/1/01	7090.1
NAB CONSTRUCTION	CITRUS HEIGHTS	675665	1/12/01	7110, 7125B, 7117.5B, 7117.6, 7115, 7159 (D, F, G, J, K, L), 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
NELSON HORN PAINTING	BURBANK	741114	1/12/01	7110, 7115, 7159 (A, B, F, J, K, L), 7116, 7117.6, 7161B, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122.5, 7090
NEW DESIGN INTERIORS INC	SAN DIEGO	707526	2/13/01	7090.1
O K BOSS CONSTRUCTION	RIVERSIDE	684408	2/13/01	7085.6
PACIFIC ENGINEERING & PETROLEUM	SACRAMENTO	674281	1/22/01	7108, 7108.5, 7116, 7120, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
PACIFIC PARKING LOT MAINTENANCE INC	LOMITA	729714	2/13/01	7090.1
PACIFIC PARKING LOT MAINTENANCE, INC	LOMITA	729714	1/18/01	7107, 7109 (A), 7113, 7117.6, 7120, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122.5
PACIFIC SEAL SYSTEMS C/O DAVID R LITTLE	TORRANCE	712262	1/18/01	7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122.5
PETER WILLIAM ZILS	CAPITOLA	491779	1/29/01	7109A, 7110, 7113, 7115, 7159, 7117.6, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
PIONEER ROOFING CO	WEST SACRAMENTO	254568	1/9/01	7090.1
QUALITY CONCRETE & LANDSCAPING	ANAHEIM	656282	3/5/01	7107, 7109 (A), 7113, 7114, 7030 (A), 7159 (D, F, G, J, K, L), 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
QUALITY EXTERIORS	SAN FRANCISCO	335445	3/26/01	7090.1
QUEST ENGINEERING	OAKLAND	621314	1/25/01	7107, 7109A, 7113, 7030A, 7115, 7159 (A, B, D, E, F, G, J, K, L), 7110, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
R J V CABINETS & WOODWORK	HEMET	699380	2/13/01	7090.1
R J V CABINETS & WOODWORK	HEMET	699380	2/14/01	7090.1
RALPH V CAMPBELL & ASSOCIATES INC	EL SOBRANTE	681344	1/4/01	7071.11, 7083, 7113, 7116, 7115, 7068.1, 7159, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122.5
REED EUGENE C	SIMI VALLEY	387844	2/16/01	7090.1
RHODES WELL DRILLING	FINLEY	759880	2/7/01	7112, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
RICK HIGGINS CONSTRUCTION	CHINO HILLS	325659	1/18/01	7107, 7109 (A), 7113, 7159 (H), 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
RIGO'S LANDSCAPING	PITTSBURG	701840	1/22/01	7109A, 7030, 7110, 7113, 7115, 7159, 7116, 7027.1, 7117.6, 7111.1, 7071.11C, 7097, 7098, 7121.5
SERGIO'S TILE	CATHEDRAL CITY	444958	3/12/01	7090.1
SHERMANTINE WESLEY H	SAN ANDREAS	336846	3/26/01	7090.1
SNOW JACK LEE CONSTRUCTION	SANTA CLARITA	446502	1/22/01	7090.1
SPECIALTY CONSTRUCTION	BELMONT	487675	1/2/01	7109A, 7113, 7159 (B, D, E, G, K, L)
SUPERIOR FLOOR COVERING	CAMARILLO	642711	1/8/01	7090.1
THOMPSON DANIEL CONSTRUCTION	LOMPOC	587859	2/16/01	7090.1
THOMPSON DANIEL CONSTRUCTION	LOMPOC	587859	3/26/01	7090.1
TODAY AND TOMORROW TILE	FAIR OAKS	686710	1/25/01	7107, 7113, 7115, 7159 (B, C, D, E, F, G, J, K, L), 7116, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
TORRES ENTERPRISES	LANCASTER	736595	2/13/01	7090.1
TORREZ & SON'S PIPE & REPAIR	FRESNO	481098	1/29/01	7107, 7113, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7125.5
TRAN LANDSCAPING	SACRAMENTO	667213	3/26/01	7090.1
TRICOAST CORPORATION	ESCONDIDO	758108	3/15/01	490, 7123, 7097, 7098, 7121
V N CONSTRUCTION	LONG BEACH	626378	1/9/01	7090.1
VALLEY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	OJAI	515910	3/2/01	7090.1
WALSH BUILDING CONTRACTORS	SAN JOSE	665648	2/5/01	7108.5, 7120, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5, 7122.5
WANTED MEN OF CALIFORNIA THE	STOCKTON	734240	3/12/01	7090.1
WASHBURN CONSTRUCTION	BEN LOMOND	547716	2/5/01	7109A, 7113, 7115, 7159, 7159 (b, d, e, f, g, j, k, l), 7097, 7098, 7121.5, 7097, 7098, 7121, 7121.5
WELLMAN GLENN BROOKS	LOS ANGELES	667721	2/12/01	7109 (A), 7159 (E, D)
WEST COAST BUILDERS	LAKE DALLAS	628076	1/12/01	7085.6
WILLMAN GERALD P CONSTRUCTION	VACAVILLE	301532	1/9/01	7090.1
WYER THOMAS ROOFING	EL CENTRO	716193	1/18/01	7090.1
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Reporting Requirements Began January 1

Effective January 1, 2001, businesses and government entities (service recipients) required to file a federal Form 1099-MISC for independent contractor services must also report specific information to the Employment Development Department (EDD). In general, service recipients are required to report payments made to independent contractors who are sole-proprietors, and need not report payments to corporations, general partnerships or limited liability companies. The Report of Independent Contractors form DE 542 must be made within 20 days of EITHER entering into a contract for \$600 or more OR making payments to an independent contractor totalling \$600 or more in a calendar year.

The new requirement is the result of last year's SB 542 and is in addition to employers' current new hire reporting requirements. Both laws are intended to increase child support collection by serving to locate parents delinquent in their child support obligations.

If you are unable to determine when total payments made equal or exceed \$600, you may estimate the dollar amount of the contract and check the box indicating "ongoing." Each failure to report required information within the required time frame may result in a \$24 penalty. If the noncompliance is the result of conspiracy between the service-recipient (hiring entity) and service-provider (independent contractor), a penalty of \$490 may also be assessed by the EDD.

Service Recipients should send their reports to the Employment Development Department at P.O. Box 997350 MIC 99, Sacramento, CA 95899-7350 or fax them to (916) 255-3211. Those hiring a large number of independent contractors are encouraged to send the information via magnetic media, in which case a DE 542 is not necessary. For details, contact the Magnetic Media Unit at (916) 651-6945.

The EDD maintains a hotline to help you to understand and meet the independent contractor reporting requirements. For assistance or to order forms, contact EDD at (916) 657-0529 or taxcomm@edd.ca.gov. In addition, you may contact your local Employment Tax Customer Service Office (listed in your local telephone directory in the State Government section), order forms online or download them from EDD's Web site at www.edd.ca.gov/txicr.htm.

Got Questions?

Do you have a burning question you'd like fellow contractors to help you answer? If so, send it to CSLB's Public Affairs Office at P.O. Box 26000, Sacramento, CA, 95826 or Publicaffairs@cslb.ca.gov. Your questions will be used in the "What Would You Do?" column of the *California Licensed Contractor*.

Your questions are important. Last year, a CLC reader survey indicated a very high interest in this column, but without your input the column cannot be included in the newsletter.



Do You Fabricate or Install Slab-Type Countertops?

If you fabricate or install any type of synthetic or natural slab countertop, please fill out the survey below and fax it to the CSLB at (916) 255-1395 by June 15, 2001. The Board needs this information to evaluate and define this growing field of the construction industry. *Thank you!*

1. Please check the *types of slab* material you fabricate or install and write the percentage you use that material compared to the others listed. *(Percentages should add up to 100%.)*
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|---------------------------|-------|-------|
| Marble and Granite | _____ | % |
| Other Natural Stone | _____ | % |
| Solid Synthetics (Corian) | _____ | % |
| Other, specify | _____ | % |
| Total | _____ | 100 % |

2. What percentage of your contracting business involves slab countertops? _____ %

3. How long have you been doing this type of work? _____ years

4. What CSLB license classifications do you hold? _____

5. Do you plan to *increase* or *decrease* this type of work in the future? (Circle one)

6. If you would like to be a slab countertop subject matter expert for CSLB, please fill in below:

Name _____

Phone _____ License Number _____

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