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Ms. Tiffany Anderson 2 N. Avena Avenue Lodi, CA 95240

Dear Ms. Anderson:

Thank you for your correspondence to the Office of the Attorney General regarding your allegation of unlawful labor practices by San Joaquin County Mosquito & Vector Control District. We appreciate your bringing this matter to our attention.

The state agency with the authority to adjudicate wage claims and enforce labor laws is the Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Labor Standards Enforcement (DLSE). Examples of possible wage claims include the nonpayment of wages, overtime, or vacation. Examples of possible labor law violations include failure to provide workers compensation insurance, child labor, cash pay, unlicensed contractors, minimum wage and overtime claims, failure to provide rest and/or meal periods, and discrimination or retaliation for exercising employee rights or engaging in protected activities. To file a wage claim or report a labor law violation, please contact the DLSE district office closest to the city/location/community where you performed work. A list of DLSE district offices and their contact information is attached for your reference.

The Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA) is responsible for enforcing California laws and regulations pertaining to workplace safety and health. To report a workplace accident, or to file a complaint, please contact the Cal/OSHA enforcement unit district office closest to the workplace where the accident occurred or the complaint conditions exist. A list of Cal/OSHA district offices and their contact information is attached for your reference.

If you have information that this employer is committing tax evasion, please contact the appropriate state and/or federal tax enforcement agencies. These agencies may be contacted as follows:

State income tax: Franchise Tax Board Investigations Bureau P.O. Box 942857 Sacramento, CA 94257-0540 Telephone: 916-845-4037

State sales tax: State Board of Equalization Investigations Division 450 N. Street P.O. Box 942879 MIC: 42 Sacramento, CA 94279-0042 Telephone: 1-888-334-3300 State payroll tax: **Employment Development Department** Underground Economy Operations P.O. Box 276262 Sacramento, CA 95827-6262 Telephone: 1-800-528-1783

Federal income tax: Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigations Fresno, CA 93888

The U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agency handles complaints regarding employers who hire undocumented immigrants. To file a complaint, please call the ICE tip line at 866-347-2423.

If your employer retaliates against you because of your efforts to report alleged wrongdoing, you may wish to seek whistleblower protection pursuant to California Labor Code Section 1102.5. You may do so by filing a complaint with the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, Complaint Investigations Unit. This who ste Blowns unit agency may be contacted as follows:

California Department of Industrial Relations Division of Labor Standards Enforcement Discrimination Complaint Investigations Unit 2031 Howe Avenue, Suite 100 Sacramento, CA 95825

This Discrimination Complaints Investigations Unit handles complaints from employees who are retaliated against by their employer for disclosing information to a government or law enforcement agency where the employee has reasonable cause to believe that the information discloses a violation of a state or, federal statute, or violation or noncompliance with a state or federal regulation, including, laws enacted for the protection of corporate shareholders, investors, employees, and the general public. This agency also handles complaints from employees who are retaliated against by their employer because they refuse to participate in an activity that would result in a violation of a state or federal statute, or noncompliance with a state or federal rule or regulation.

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In addition, individuals who experience violations of law can often file a lawsuit in court. You may wish to consult with a private attorney to determine any civil remedies that may be available to you. An attorney would directly represent your interests and is the one whose advice would be most helpful to you.

While we are not able to offer direct personal assistance with your problem, we sincerely appreciate your efforts in providing us with the information contained in your complaint. If the problem described in your complaint results in a formal action, we will have your name and address in our files and we will be able to contact you directly.

Again, thank you for contacting the Office of the Attorney General.

Sincerely

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Public Inquiry Unit

For KAMALA D. HARRIS

Attorney General

Enclosure

Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA) - District Offices

### Concord

1450 Enea Circle, Suite 525, Concord 94520 (925) 602-6517 fax (925) 676-0227

# **Foster City**

1065 East Hillsdale Blvd., Ste. 110, Foster City 94404 (650) 573-3812 fax (650) 573-3817

## Fremont

39141 Civic Center Dr. Suite 310 Fremont, CA 94538-5818 510-794-2521 fax 510-794-3889

### Fresno

2550 Mariposa Street, Ste. 4000, Fresno 93721 (559) 445-5302 fax (559) 445-5786

# Los Angeles

320 West 4th Street, Ste. 850, Los Angeles 90013 (213) 576-7451 fax (213) 576-7461

## Modesto

1209 Woodrow, Ste. C-4 Modesto 95350 (209) 576-6260 fax (209) 576-6191

#### Monrovia

750 Royal Oaks Drive, Ste. 104 Monrovia 91016 (626) 256-7913 fax (626) 359-4291

## Oakland

1515 Clay Street, Ste. 1301, Oakland 94612 (510) 622-2916 fax (510) 622-2908

## Redding (field office) 381 Hemsted Drive, Redding 96002 (530) 224-4743

fax (530) 224-4747

#### Sacramento

2424 Arden Way, Ste. 165, Sacramento 95825 (916) 263-2800 fax (916) 263-2798

# San Bernardino

464 W. 4th St., Ste. 332, San Bernardino 92401 (909) 383-4321 fax (909) 383-6789

# San Diego

7575 Metropolitan Drive, Ste. 207, San Diego 92108 (619) 767-2280 fax (619) 767-2299

## San Francisco

121 Spear Street, Ste. 430, San Francisco 94105 (415) 972-8670 fax (415) 972-8686

## Santa Ana

2000 E. McFadden Ave., Ste 122, Santa Ana 92705 (714) 558-4451 fax (714) 558-2035

## Santa Rosa

1221 Farmers Lane, Ste. 300, Santa Rosa 95405 (707) 576-2388 fax (707) 576-2598

#### Torrance

680 Knox Street, Ste. 100, Torrance 90502 (310) 516-3734 fax (310) 516-4253

#### Van Nuys

6150 Van Nuys Boulevard, Ste. 405, Van Nuys 91401 (818) 901-5403 fax (818) 901-5578

## Ventura (field office) 1000 Hill Road, Ste. 110, Ventura 93003 (805) 654-4581 fax (805) 654-4852

West Covina 1906 West Garvey Ave So, Ste. 200 West Covina 91790 (626) 472-0046 / fax (626) 472-7708

# Division of Labor Standards Enforcement (DLSE) – District Offices

Bakersfield

Bakersfield, CA 93309 (661) 395-2710

(661) 859-2462

El Centro

1550 W. Main St. El Centro, CA 92243 (760) 353-0607 (760) 353-2544

Eureka

619 Second Street, Room 109 Eureka, CA 95501 (707) 445-6613 (707) 441-4604

Fresno

770 E. Shaw Avenue, Room 315 Fresno, CA 93710 (559) 244-5340 (559) 248-8398

Long Beach

300 Oceangate, Suite 302 Long Beach, CA 90802 (562) 590-5048 (562) 491-0160

Los Angeles

320 W. Fourth Street, Suite 450 Los Angeles, CA 90013 (213) 620-6330 (213) 576-6227

Oakland

1515 Clay Street, Suite 801 Oakland, CA 94612 (510) 622-3273 (510) 622-2660

Redding

5555 California Avenue, Suite 200 2115 Civic Center Drive, Room 17 Redding, CA 96001 (530) 225-2655 (530) 229-0565

Sacramento

2031 Howe Avenue, Suite 100 Sacramento, CA 95825 (916) 263-1811 (916) 263-5378

Salinas

1870 N. Main St., Suite 150 Salinas, CA 93906 (831) 443-3041 (831) 443-3029

San Bernardino

464 W. Fourth Street, Room 348 San Bernardino, CA 92401 (909) 383-4334 (909) 889-8120

San Diego

7575 Metropolitan Dr., Rm. 210 San Diego, CA 92108 (619) 220-5451 (619) 682-7221

San Francisco

455 Golden Gate Ave., 10th Floor San Francisco, CA 94102 (415) 703-5300 (415) 703-5444

San Jose

100 Paseo de San Antonio, Room 120 San Jose, CA 95113 (408) 277-1266 (408) 277-3711

Santa Ana

28 Civic Center Plaza, Room 625 Santa Ana, CA 92701 (714) 558-4910 (714) 558-4574

Santa Barbara

411 E. Canon Perdido, Room 3 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-1222 (805) 965-7214

Santa Rosa

50 "D" Street, Suite 360 Santa Rosa, CA 95404 (707) 576-2362 (707) 576-2459

Stockton

31 E. Channel Street, Room 317 Stockton, CA 95202 (209) 948-7771 (209) 941-1906

Van Nuys

6150 Van Nuys Blvd., Room 206 Van Nuys, CA 91401 (818) 901-5315 (818) 908-4556

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