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TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: Operation of a Temporary Amusement Ride (TAR 23-2)

LABOR CODE 7906 STATES:

No person shall operate a temporary amusement ride without a permit issued by the Division or a public entity. On or before March 1st of each year, an operator shall apply for a permit to the Division or a public entity on a form furnished by the Division ten days prior to the date of operation.

Application packets can be obtained from our website, or by contacting our office. **Note: If you are operating rides prior to March 1, 2023, your application must be submitted at least ten days prior to the date of operation.**

Once the Division receives your application, you must contact the Division to schedule inspections. The ability to operate on last year's annual permit is only applicable if the Division is unable to schedule an inspection of your rides and is based solely on the Division's availability. It is your responsibility to contact the Division to schedule your inspections.

*8 CCR 3915 (b) No person shall operate an amusement ride unless a current permit to operate has been issued by the Division or a public entity as prescribed in Division 5 of the California Labor Code, Part 8. However, an amusement ride inspected and covered by a valid permit to operate in the preceding year may continue to operate until further inspected, providing the owner/operator of the ride has made written application to the Division for an inspection at least ten days prior to its operation indicating where such ride will be available for inspection **and the application remains unacted upon.***

Note: Canceling an inspection does not allow for a ride to operate on an expired permit.

New amusement rides must be inspected and receive a permit to operate before they are put into operation. Please have trained staff available to demonstrate proficiency in all maintenance, operational duties and procedures during the Division's inspection.

If the Division identifies non-critical violations, a temporary permit may be issued along with a specified compliance date. Ride owner/operators are responsible for scheduling inspections to clear requirements and obtain an annual permit to operate. Payments for all inspection fees are due at the time of the inspection.

All annual replacement items, required testing, or other permits (non-destructive test, air tank permit, etc.) are due at the time of the inspection. The inspector will not issue an operating permit until the violation is corrected, and the inspector can verify completion through inspection.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Scott Prather".

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