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## SCOPE OF WORK PROVISIONS

FOR

### **ASBESTOS REMOVAL WORKER (LABORER)**

IN

ALAMEDA, ALPINE, AMADOR, BUTTE, CALAVERAS, COLUSA,  
CONTRA COSTA, DEL NORTE, EL DORADO, FRESNO, GLENN,  
HUMBOLDT, KINGS, LAKE, LASSEN, MADERA, MARIN,  
MARIPOSA, MENDOCINO, MERCED, MODOC, MONTEREY, NAPA,  
NEVADA, PLACER, PLUMAS, SACRAMENTO, SAN BENITO,  
SAN FRANCISCO, SAN JOAQUIN, SAN MATEO, SANTA CLARA,  
SANTA CRUZ, SHASTA, SIERRA, SISKIYOU, SOLANO, SONOMA,  
STANISLAUS, SUTTER, TEHAMA, TRINITY, TULARE,  
TUOLUMNE, YOLO AND YUBA COUNTIES

## LABORERS' ASBESTOS AND LEAD REMOVAL AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into this 1<sup>st</sup> Day of December, 2005, by and between The Association of Environmental Contractors and its respective members, hereinafter referred to as "Employer" and the NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT COUNCIL OF LABORERS (affiliated with the Laborers' International Union of North America) and its affiliated LOCAL UNION NO. 67, hereinafter referred to as the "Union."

### ARTICLE I Recognition

1. The Employer and each employer recognizes the Union as the duly authorized, sole and exclusive collective bargaining representative of all employees of the employer over whom the Unions have jurisdiction in the area of the work covered by this Agreement.

### ARTICLE II Coverage

2. **Geographical Coverage.** This Agreement shall apply to Northern California, which term means that portion of the State of California above the Northerly boundary of Kern County, the Northerly boundary of San Luis Obispo County, and the Westerly boundaries of Inyo and Mono Counties, which includes the following counties: Alameda, Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Humboldt, Kings, Lake, Lassen, Madera, Marin, Mariposa, Mendocino, Merced, Modoc, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Benito, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, Yolo and Yuba.
  - 2.1 **Work Coverage.** The work covered by this Agreement is site mobilization, initial site cleanup, site preparation, shrink wrap, and work or removal of materials that have a potential to create hazardous exposure, as determined by job specification and/or state, federal or safety regulations. The work covered by this agreement includes asbestos; lead containing materials; mold; associated work; work requiring personal protection equipment ("PPE") and engineering controls; and any other tasks which the employer may direct in connection with this work. This work may be performed by hand, equipment or machinery and includes the erection of scaffolding, the fabrication of temporary wooden barriers and the assembly of decontamination stations. Any subcontracting of covered work will provide that the subcontractor becomes signatory to this Agreement.
  - 2.2 **Employee Coverage.** All asbestos and lead removal workers of the employer within the geographical area of this Agreement.

**A.E.C.**  
**ASSOCIATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONTRACTORS**

July 20, 2007

Ms. Maria Robbins  
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Re: Northern California Laborers Asbestos and Lead Paint Removal  
Agreement Specialist I and Specialist II classification descriptions

Dear Ms. Robbins:

Pursuant to your request, we are writing this letter to clarify the difference between the Asbestos and Lead Removal Specialist I and the Asbestos and Lead Removal Specialist II as described in the 2005-2009 Laborers Asbestos and Lead Paint Removal Agreement by and between the Association of Environmental Contractors and its respective members and the Northern California District Council of Laborers (affiliated with the Laborers International Union of North America) and its affiliated Local Union No. 67 covering the 46 Northern California Counties.

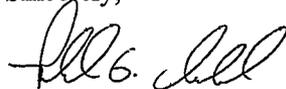
A Specialist I is an employee who possesses the following documented qualifications:

1. Asbestos Supervisor Certified
2. Lead Removal Supervisor Certified
3. CPR/First Aid Certified
4. Need to understand the English language
5. California Drivers' License (if required to drive company vehicle)
6. A minimum of 4000 documented hours in the asbestos or lead industry.

A Specialist II is an employee who works in a supervisory capacity as a foreman. The selection of a Specialist II is at the sole discretion of the employer; and the employer is not required to employ a Specialist II on any given jobsite or project.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact either of our offices.  
Thank you.

Sincerely,



Richard Cleveland  
Association of Environmental Contractors



Cedric Porter  
Northern California District Council of Laborers

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# Fax

To: Alicia/DIR Prevailing Wage Department From: Cedric Porter

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Re: Laborers' Scope of Work for Lead Removal Date: January 26, 2006

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*Comments:* The scope of work "Lead Removal" as described in the Laborers' Asbestos and Lead Agreement is completely different from the Painters lead description.

The Laborers' "Lead Removal" scope of work covers: "the **removal and abatement** of any construction materials which contain lead **as prescribed in state regulations,**" prior to demolition or reconstruction. Removal and abatement are not an incidental function for the Painter.

The Painter's limitation on lead contaminated surfaces is work described as the sealing and preparation of surfaces for painting.

If you have any further questions about the Laborers' scope of work, please do not hesitate to call.

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Per your fax request dated Jan. 27, 2006...

The content of the Worker Lead Abatement curriculum approved by the Department of Health Services of the State of California is deliberately one dimensional across the Trades. It addresses the Policies, Guidelines, and Procedures for the safe removal and handling of Lead-based paint and the surfaces it occupies.

Individual Trades then take those Policies, Guidelines and Procedures and employ them within the context of the work that specific trade performs.

The Painter is a Finish Artisan not a Demolitionist.

To compare the functional work description of a Laborer and a Journey Level Painter is disingenuous.

The Laborer performs tasks, as described in their own Lead Removal description as: "Removal and Abatement of construction materials" as in demolition and clean up; not remodeling or rehabilitation of existing surfaces which remain in place.

February 8, 2006

A Painter's task is not to "abate" demolished cabinets, doors, windows and walls by putting them into the appropriate plastic bag; any more than it is the job of a Laborer to remove lead-based paint from any surface. "Paint" is the venue of the Painter; and "Labor" is the venue of the Laborer.

The Painter prepares those same surfaces, preserving them in place, to receive new Color and Materials having mechanically or chemically removed the offending Lead-based paint, replacing it with compliant materials.

It is correct to say that removal and abatement, within the context of demolition as performed by a Laborer, are not an incidental function of the Painter.

To be precise, the removal of lead-based paint, preserving the surface material, and applying a new coat of environmentally compliant material without destroying that surface is an elementary function of the painter.

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**RE: ASBESTOS REMOVAL WORKER (LABORER)**

Div. of Labor Statistics & Research  
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Dear Mr. Cake:

Please accept this as an advisory letter to clarify the intent of the Agreement and subsequent wage determination for the Asbestos Removal Worker (Laborer).

As you know, the "Steps" as listed under the Asbestos Removal Worker classification have hourly increments listed in conjunction with the pay scale. We would like to clarify that "hours", otherwise known as experience, is for time worked in the industry, not on a specific project or with a single contractor.

Therefore, workers experienced in the Asbestos Removal Worker classification should be paid based on the total hours worked in the industry on all projects in that classification. We ask that you update the wage determination by adding a footnote speaking to this issue.

Thank you for your assistance. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Jose A. Moreno  
Business Manager  
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George Fischer  
Executive Director  
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Memorandum of Understanding  
Between  
The Laborers' International Union of North America  
And  
The United Union of Roofers, Waterproofers and  
Allied Workers

In an effort to eliminate jurisdictional disputes in the Construction Industry, the Laborers' International Union of North America and the United Union of Roofers, Waterproofers and Allied Workers have agreed to the following:

- ◆ All removal of roofing materials on a roof deck where roofing material is to be re-applied is the work of the roofer. This is also to include any small repairs to the decking in preparation of laying the new roof.
- ◆ All removal of roofing materials on a roof deck where no new roofing material is to be applied is the work of Laborers.
- ◆ Demolition of roof decking is the work of Laborers.

It is understood that there shall be no stoppage of work by reason of any dispute concerning the work herein covered. In the event a dispute arises, the matter shall be referred to the offices of the two International Unions for resolution. This agreement shall serve as clarification of the 1993 correspondence.

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Laborers' International Union of  
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