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TO: Temporary Amusement Ride Owners/Operators
SUBJECT: Temporary Amusement Ride Regulations (TAR-10-3)

All temporary amusement rides new to California must be certified by a California Registered Engineer, unless a stress analysis, signed by a California Registered Engineer, is submitted to the Division. If a stress analysis is submitted by another owner/operator, certification by a California Registered Engineer may still be required.

All Owner/Operators are reminded of section 7914(a) of the California Labor Code, which requires reporting to the Division all known accidents and states the following:

“Each operator of an amusement ride shall report or cause to be reported to the division, immediately by telephone, each known incident where maintenance, operation, or use of the amusement ride results in any of the following:

- (1) A fatality.**
- (2) A loss of consciousness or other injury to a person which requires medical service other than ordinary first aid treatment.**
- (3) Major mechanical failure.**
- (4) A patron falling from a moving ride or from a ride that has temporarily stopped in an elevated position.**

If a fatality, reportable injury, or major mechanical failure as defined in subdivision (a), is caused by the failure, malfunction, or operation of an amusement ride, the equipment or conditions that caused the accident shall be preserved for the purpose of investigation by the division.”

The Division’s inspection fees for 2010 may be subject to change. At the present time, the fees are \$125.00/hour or fraction thereof. A minimum fee of one hour will be charged per amusement ride. All accident investigations will be charged by the hour at the hourly inspection fee.

The Division’s safety engineers will complete their inspection as expeditiously as possible. As temporary amusement rides become larger and more intricate it is almost impossible to complete the inspection in an hour or less. All follow-ups or delays will be charged by the hour.

All inspection fees must be paid by check or money order (made payable to the Department of Industrial Relations) and given to the Division’s safety engineer at the time of the inspection. CASH WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Hopefully, this information will be helpful in the coming season.

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