Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: COSMETIX WEST INC
Establishment DBA: and its successors
Inspection Site: 2041 E MARIPOSA AVE
               El Segundo, CA  90245

Citation 1 Item 1  Type of Violation: Serious

California Code of Regulations Title 8. 3203 Injury and Illness Prevention Program.

(a) Effective July 1, 1991, every employer shall establish, implement and maintain an effective Injury and Illness Prevention Program (Program). The Program shall be in writing and, shall, at a minimum:
(4) Include procedures for identifying and evaluating work place hazards including scheduled periodic inspections to identify unsafe conditions and work practices. Inspections shall be made to identify and evaluate hazards:
(A) When the Program is first established;
(B) Whenever new substances, processes, procedures, or equipment are introduced to the workplace that represent a new occupational safety and health hazard; and
(C) Whenever the employer is made aware of a new or previously unrecognized hazard.
(5) Include a procedure to investigate occupational injury or occupational illness.
(6) Include methods and/or procedures for correcting unsafe or unhealthy conditions, work practices and work procedures in a timely manner based on the severity of the hazard:
(A) When observed or discovered; and,
(B) When an imminent hazard exists which cannot be immediately abated without endangering employee(s) and/or property, remove all exposed personnel from the area except those necessary to correct the existing condition. Employees necessary to correct the hazardous condition shall be provided the necessary safeguards.
Prior to and during the course of the investigation, including but not limited to June 26, 2020, the employer failed to establish, implement and maintain an effective Injury and Illness Prevention Program in the following instances:

**Instance 1:** The employer failed to effectively identify or evaluate workplace hazards related to COVID-19 including, but not limited to, the following hazards:

a) The lack of physical distancing among employees in the lunchroom.
b) The lack of physical barriers in the lunchroom where employees were sitting, eating, and/or gathering within six feet of each other.

[3203(a)(4)]

**Instance 2:** The employer failed to effectively implement methods or procedures to correct unhealthy conditions or work practices related to COVID-19, including but not limited to:

a) The lack of physical distancing among employees in the lunchroom.
b) The lack of physical barriers in the lunchroom where employees were sitting, eating, and/or gathering within six feet of each other.

[3203(a)(6)]

Or, In the Alternative to Instance 2b:
Title 8, California Code of Regulations, Section 5141(a). Control of Harmful Exposure to Employees.

(a) Engineering Controls. Harmful exposures shall be prevented by engineering controls whenever feasible.

Prior to and during the course of the inspection, including, but not limited to, on June 26, 2020, the employer failed to prevent harmful exposures of employees to infectious or potentially infectious airborne particles by ensuring the use of engineering controls to prevent the spread of COVID-19, including, but not limited to, plexiglass screens or other physical barriers (missing partitions in the lunchroom) to limit contact and block potentially infectious particles from being released in the lunchroom when a person breathes, speaks, coughs, or sneezes.

**Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:** July 02, 2021

**Proposed Penalty:** $18000.00

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