

California Underground Facilities Safe Excavation Board

In the Matter of
City of Los Angeles Department of
Transportation,
Respondent

Case No. C250850002

DECISION REGARDING NOTICE OF PROBABLE VIOLATION

The Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety, California Underground Facilities Safe Excavation Board (the Board) issued a Notice of Probable Violation (NOPV) to City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation, Member Code CITYLADOT, (Respondent) on February 10, 2026. Respondent did not submit a response to the NOPV. On April 13, 2026, the Board considered Case No. C250850002. Board members Bedolla, Clausen, Johns, Johnson, Simonian, and Sorem participated in the decision.

FINDINGS

Having considered the report of investigation, the Board finds that violations of Government (Gov.) Code sections 4216.3(a)(1)(A) and 4216.3(c)(1)(A) occurred for ticket A250980935-00A.

VIOLATION SUMMARY

Gov. Code section 4216.3(a)(1)(A): Failure to respond to a locate request from a call center in one of three ways before the legal excavation start date and time. (1) locate and mark the work area, (2) provide information about the location of subsurface installation, or (3) state that no installations are within the work area.

Gov. Code section 4216.3(c)(1)(A): Failure to provide electronic positive response through the regional notification center prior to the legal start date and time.

JURISDICTION

When the Board finds a probable violation of the Dig Safe Act (Gov. Code section 4216 et seq.), the Board must transmit the investigation results and any recommended penalty to the appropriate agency identified in Gov. Code section 4216.6, subsection (c) or (d). This matter is subject to the jurisdiction of the Los Angeles City Council which may accept, amend, or reject this Board's recommendation.

SANCTIONS

The Board RECOMMENDS that the Los Angeles City Council order Respondent to take the Board's education course and pay a penalty of \$2,000.

The following factors were considered relevant to this sanction determination:

- Respondent should benefit from taking the Board's education course.
- Respondent's violations were knowing and willful.
- Respondent had two violations.

/s/ William Johns
William Johns, Chair

Date: May 06, 2026