

DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION Office of the State Fire Marshal California Underground Facilities Safe Excavation Board 2251 Harvard Street SACRAMENTO, CA 95815 (916) 568-3800 https://digsafe.fire.ca.gov/



July 8, 2020

NOTICE OF PROBABLE VIOLATION

Rigo Sanchez Pierre Landscape 5455 2nd Street Irwindale, CA 91706

> Case No.: 19LA1090 Address/Location of Violation(s): Lemonwood Elementary School 2001 San Mateo Place, Oxnard, CA 93033 Date/Time of Violation(s): February 19, 2019 @ 8:59 am

Dear: Mr. Sanchez,

The Board has concluded its investigation of an incident on the above date, time and location and has determined that Pierre Landscape violated Article 2 of Chapter 3.1 of Division 5 of Title 1 of the California Government Code as follows:

The Board has determined that Pierre Landscape violated California Government Code 4216.2 (b) which states, except in an emergency, an excavator planning to conduct an excavation shall notify the appropriate regional notification center of the excavator's intent to excavate at least two working days, and not more than 14 calendar days, before beginning that excavation. However, an excavator and an operator may mutually agree to a different notice and start date.

On February 19, 2019, an employee of Pierre Landscaping was excavating a drainage ditch at Lemonwood Elementary School when he ruptured a 2" inch gas line. Rigo

Sanchez, Vice President of Pierre Landscape admitted in an interview that (Pierre) did not take a ticket out for the job at Lemonwood School. A check of the DigAlert database confirmed the admission made by Sanchez.

A Corrective Action of mandatory completion of the Dig Safe Board's education course is being imposed. Please see https://digsafe.fire.ca.gov/education-course/ for more information.

The proposed sanction reflects the nature and gravity of the violation and takes into consideration the Respondent's history of prior offenses, cooperation with the investigation and demonstration of his/her intent to comply with Gov't Code §4216 et seq. in the future.

This matter will be referred to California State Contractor's License Board with a recommended penalty of mandatory completion of the Dig Safe Boards education course.

You may contest this notice by responding to this notice promptly. Please see attached instructions on completing and submitting your response for options available to you. Your response to this notice must be received by the California Underground Facilities Safe Excavation Board no later than August 19, 2020.

Sincerely,

Jason Corsey

Jason Corsey Chief of Investigations Dig Safe Board 916-926-1660

Proposed hearing date: September 14, 2020