

## DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION Office of the State Fire Marshal California Underground Facilities Safe Excavation Board



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July 8, 2020

## **NOTICE OF PROBABLE VIOLATION**

John Duran West Coast Construction 6507 Beeman Ave. North Hollywood, CA 91606

Case No.: 20LA1085

Address/Location of Violation(s): Simi Valley, CA

Date/Time of Violation(s): 12/19/2019 @ 3:45 pm

Dear: Mr. Duran

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

West Coast Construction violated California Government Codes 4216.2 (b) which states, an excavator planning to conduct an excavation to 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.

On December 19, 2019, West Coast Construction was excavating in the front yard of a residence when they struck a  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch gas line causing a release of gas. West Coast Construction failed to advise Dig Alert of their intent to excavate and did not possess a valid ticket prior to digging.

A Corrective Action of mandatory completion of the Dig Safe Board's education course is being imposed. Please see <a href="https://digsafe.fire.ca.gov/education-course/">https://digsafe.fire.ca.gov/education-course/</a> 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 GC4216 in the future.

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

The California Underground Facilities Safe Excavation Board will act on this notice of probable violation in a future meeting.

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
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Proposed hearing date: September 14, 2020