California Underground Facilities Safe Excavation Board

In the Matter of Advanced Erosion Services Corporation Respondent Case No. 23NTS0019

DECISION REGARDING NOTICE OF PROBABLE VIOLATION

On April 14, 2025, the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety, California Underground Facilities Safe Excavation Board (the Board) considered Case No. 23NTS0019. Board investigative staff issued a Notice of Probable Violation (NOPV) to Advanced Erosion Services Corporation (Respondent), dated February 18, 2025, alleging violations of Government Code (Gov. Code) sections 4216.2(b), 4216.4(c)(2), and 4216.4(c)(3). Respondent did not submit a response to the NOPV. Respondent attended the Board meeting and offered comment on the NOPV.

Board members Charland, Clausen, Johns, Johnson, and Sorem participated in the decision. Board Member Muñoz was not present for the meeting.

FINDING

Having considered the investigation report and the Respondent's verbal comments, the Board finds that Respondent violated Gov. Code sections 4216.2(b), 4216.4(c)(2), and 4216.4(c)(3).

VIOLATION SUMMARY

Respondent excavated without contacting the regional notification center and struck a gas facility. Respondent failed to notify 911 emergency services or the regional notification center after damaging the gas facility.

JURISDICTION

This matter is subject to the jurisdiction of the CONTRACTOR STATE LICENSE BOARD.

SANCTIONS

The Board RECOMMENDS that the CONTRACTOR STATE LICENSE BOARD order Respondent to take the Board's education course and pay a financial penalty of \$1000.

Re: AE Services, D. 2025_04_23NTS0019

The following factors were considered relevant to this sanction determination:

- Respondent excavated without notifying the regional notification center.
- Respondent damaged a natural gas line.
- Respondent did not contact 911 emergency services to report the incident.
- Respondent did not report the damage to the regional notification center.
- The violation did not result in death or substantial injury or environment or property damage.

/s/ William Johns
William Johns, Chair

Date: May 12, 2025