Determination Request Requirements

Pursuant to RCW 39.12 Prevailing Wages on Public Works, the Industrial Statistician of the Department of Labor and Industries is authorized to issue determinations regarding the prevailing rate of wage. Determination letters are provided to address specific factual situations and the applicable prevailing wage rates which must be paid.

In order to process a request for determination, all information necessary to assess the applicable prevailing wage requirements must be included with a request. This information includes but is not limited to the project name, a description of the project, the prime contractor and awarding agency, copies of project plans, specifications and contracts, relevant financing information, the prime contractor’s Statement of Intent to Pay Prevailing Wages, and any other relevant information related to the project or proposed project.

The requester has a continuing duty to promptly provide the Prevailing Wage Program with all relevant documents, records and other information until a determination is made.

Determination letters are generally issued within 90 days of receiving a complete request. If a requester does not send all relevant information, or does not respond to requests for additional information, then the process may be delayed or the Industrial Statistician may decline to issue a determination.

A checklist of information to include with your request for a determination is attached.

Please direct requests for determinations, and for modification of determinations via email or letter to the Industrial Statistician:

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Prevailing Wage  
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The following is a checklist to assist you in preparing your determination request. You may list the information individually or include the information in your request. Please be aware that the Industrial Statistician may request additional information.

Please send a completed checklist with your determination request.

This determination request includes:

**Project Information (if applicable):**
- ☐ Project name and project description (photographs are helpful)
- ☐ Prime contractor information
- ☐ Awarding agency information
- ☐ Copies of project plans, specifications, contracts
- ☐ Relevant financing information
- ☐ Prime contractor’s statement of intent to pay prevailing wages

**The Question Presented**
- ☐ Explanation of question/issue
- ☐ Description of the work process
- ☐ Description of the tools/materials used (if applicable)
- ☐ Any certifications/licenses required to perform the work

**Related Matters (if applicable):**
- ☐ Reference the complaint/investigation related to this request
- ☐ Reference the prevailing wage agent involved with your request

Reviewed by:_______
Date:_______