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Mary Ann Schrawyer, Office Manager  
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Dear Ms. Schrawyer:

Thank you for your letter dated October 25, in which you requested a determination of the appropriate classification of labor for the installation of Keystone retaining wall systems.

There have been various assumptions and assertions recently regarding what labor classification is or should be used for this work. The classifications mentioned range from Landscape Laborer to Ironworker, with the difference in wage rates as high as \$25.00 per hour. The department's position has been, and continues to be, that those retaining wall systems are installed by Construction Laborers and Power Equipment Operators, as opposed to the Ironworker and the Landscape Construction classifications.

I hope and believe you will recognize the appropriate prevailing wage rates within your contract, based on this letter. If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (206) 956-5330.

Sincerely,



Jim P. Christensen  
Industrial Statistician