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RE: New CMS Project Update #5

Dear elevator industry business, property owner or manager, or stakeholder,

This month's newsletter updates our status on the new Conveyance Management System (CMS), and has a list of some upcoming dates you should note on a calendar. Overall, the project remains on schedule for a July 2023 launch.

Project update

The [Washington State Department of Labor & Industries](#) (L&I) CMS project team in April completed hearing presentations and demonstrations from top bidders. The "sandbox testing," a focused evaluation on the products. The testing team included a group of elevator inspectors, supervisors and technical staff.

As a result, talks have begun with top bidders. This process has included reference checks, and the key resources the bidders plan on using. Next will be the actual selection and onboarding of a vendor, scheduled for May 20. Once a vendor is selected, bidding and procurement laws will permit listing all the vendors involved.

Fee increase consideration

L&I is considering a [17 percent increase](#) in Elevator Program fees. The announcement was formally filed with the state Code Reviser's Office on March 22. Other rulemaking documents are expected to be filed in May. A public hearing is tentatively set for June 22. If approved, the increase would take effect Aug. 19.

Next ESAC meeting

The next Elevator Safety Advisory Committee (ESAC) meeting will take place May 17, starting at 8 a.m. with an open discussion. The formal meeting will take place from 9 a.m. – noon. It's during this meeting that there will be another project update, as well as presentation of survey results about the committee's project knowledge – and what will be done with that information. The meeting is open to the public, here's how to participate:

- **Join on your computer or mobile app**
[Click here to join the meeting](#)
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Phone Conference ID: 152 505 975#

Background

Since 2006, the current CMS provides permitting, inspection, and other information. It is aging, failing, and no longer meets the needs of customers and staff. The \$3.52 million project for a new system includes funds from state government and fee increases. The New CMS will include a secure customer portal for you to manage your account information, submitting applications and permits online, and immediate access to inspection results.

Next steps

- May 17 – Elevator Safety Advisory Committee meeting
- May 20 – Bidder selected and onboarding begins
- June 22 – Tentative date for fee increase public hearing

If you have questions about the new system, please contact the Elevator Program, at 360-999-0592 or ElevatorSect@Lni.wa.gov.

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