U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20210



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ME MORANDUM #102

TO: All Government Contracting Agencies of the Federal Government and the District of Columbia

SUBJECT: DAVIS-BACON AND RELATED ACTS: DECENTRALIZATION OF PROJECT WAGE DETERMINATIONS TO REGIONAL ADMINISTRATORS, EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS ADMINISTRATION

Effective January 3, 1972, the Department of Labor will decentralize issuance of Davis-Bacon and related Acts <u>project</u> wage determinations to the Regional Administrators, Employment Standards Administration.

Area or general wage determinations which appear in the Federal Register will continue to be issued from Washington. Requests by contracting agencies for <u>project</u> wage determinations should be sent to the appropriate Regional Administrator (see attached list) beginning January 3, 1972.

This change in procedure has been reviewed with the principal contracting agencies in Washington, with various employer organizations, and with representatives of labor organizations. The primary purpose of the change is to place the system of gathering wage data and the issuance of wage determinations closer to the source. Regional Administrators will be able to call upon the field staff of the Wage and Hour Division for direct assistance. This should expedite issuance of accurate determinations.

Each Regional Administrator will have charge of Davis-Bacon and related Acts wage surveys for the States in his region and will issue the project wage determinations in his own name. The Regional Administrator will also handle inquiries concerning any determination he issued and seek to adjust complaints or misunderstandings. This includes authority for the Regional Administrator to modify or supersede such determinations.

Reports of actions pursuant to 29 CFR, Section 5.5(a)(1)(ii), to "conform" wage rates for classes of laborers and mechanics not listed on a particular project wage determination should be sent to the appropriate Regional Administrator. He is authorized to take any necessary action arising with respect to the conforming procedure.

Any formal protest about a project wage determination which cannot be adjusted by the Regional Administrator may be appealed by the complaining party or parties through the Regional Administrator to Assistant Administrator Warren D. Landis, U. S. Department of Labor, Employment Standards Administration, Office of Government Contracts and Special Wage Standards, Room 1010, 711 - 14th Street, NW., Washington, D. C. 20005 for review and appropriate action. The Wage Appeals Board procedure is not changed.

Horace E. Menasco Administrator

Attachment

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Boston Region

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For the States of Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut:

Mr. Edwin C. Satter, Regional Administrator Employment Standards Administration U. S. Department of Labor Room 1612C, John F. Kennedy Federal Building Government Center Boston, Massachusetts 02203 (Telephone: 617-223-2035)

New York Region

For the States of New York and New Jersey and for Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands:

Mr. Frank B. Mercurio, Regional Administrator Employment Standards Administration U. S. Department of Labor 907 U. S. Parcel Post Building 341 Ninth Avenue New York, New York 10001 (Telephone: 212-971-5451)

Philadelphia Region

For the States of <u>Pennsylvania</u>, <u>Maryland</u>, <u>Delaware</u>, <u>Virginia</u>, and <u>West Virginia</u>:

Mr. Charles M. Angell, Regional Administrator Employment Standards Administration U. S. Department of Labor Room 704C, 1317 Filbert Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107 (Telephone: 215-597-9633)

Atlanta Region

For the States of Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, Kentucky, and Mississippi:

Regional Administrator Employment Standards Administration U. S. Department of Labor Room 331, 1371 Peachtree Street, NE. Atlanta, Georgia 30309

(Telephone: 404-526-5801)

Chicago Region

For the States of <u>Illinois</u>, <u>Indiana</u>, <u>Michigan</u>, <u>Minnesota</u>, <u>Ohio</u>, and Wisconsin:

Mr. Gerald J. Mitchell, Regional Administrator
Employment Standards Administration
U. S. Department of Labor
United States Courthouse and Federal Office Building, Room 742
219 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604

(Telephone: 312-353-7280)

Dallas Region

For the States of <u>Texas</u>, <u>New Mexico</u>, <u>Oklahoma</u>, <u>Arkansas</u>, and <u>Louisiana</u>:

Mr. Philip F. Arrien, Regional Administrator Employment Standards Administration U. S. Department of Labor Room 13F12, 1100 Commerce Street Dallas, Texas 75201

(Telephone: 214-749-2037)

Kansas City Region

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For the States of Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, and Iowa:

Mr. Doyle I. Loveridge, Acting Regional Administrator Employment Standards Administration
U. S. Department of Labor
Room 2000, Federal Office Building
911 Walnut Street
Kansas City, Missouri 64102

(Telephone: 816-374-5381)

Denver Region

For the States of <u>Colorado</u>, <u>North Dakota</u>, <u>South Dakota</u>, <u>Utah</u>, Wyoming, and Montana:

This will be handled temporarily from the Kansas City Region.

San Francisco Region

For the States of <u>California</u>, <u>Nevada</u>, <u>Arizona</u>, and <u>Hawaii</u>, and for Guam, and various <u>Pacific Islands</u>:

Mr. Milton K. Hedberg, Regional Administrator Employment Standards Administration U. S. Department of Labor 450 Golden Gate Avenue, Room 10431 San Francisco, California 94102

(Telephone: 415-556-1318)

Seattle Region

For the States of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and Alaska:

This will be handled temporarily by the San Francisco Region.