

Anti-Trust Training will be offered by the State of Wyoming on June 29, 2009 at 10 a.m., in Room B-63 of the Herschler Building.

The Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice will be providing antitrust training to procurement officials, auditors and investigators in relation to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding. The Division is offering this training because the potential risk of fraud and collusion increases dramatically when large blocks of funds, such as those associated with the ARRA, are quickly disbursed.

For additional information, please see the flyer below.



## **DETECTING ANTITRUST VIOLATIONS**

Antitrust Training for Procurement Personnel and Auditors

**Course Description:** This presentation is designed for persons with responsibility for the procurement of goods and services for state and local agencies and projects - especially projects that will receive ARRA funds. Many of the cases the Antitrust Division has prosecuted which related to bid rigging on state and local contracts, resulted from information reported by alert and dedicated governmental employees with procurement responsibilities. This presentation is designed to help such employees recognize signs of actual or potential collusion.

**Objectives/Topics:**

- Receive a general understanding of the federal antitrust laws and their penalties.
- Understand what conduct constitutes bid rigging, price fixing and market allocation, the principal criminal violations of the federal antitrust laws.
- Identify conduct and patterns that might be indicators of bid rigging, price fixing, and market allocation.
- Discuss what action should be taken to report suspicious conduct.
- Discuss possible preventative action.

**Instructor:** Trial Attorney with the San Francisco Office of the United States Department of Justice's Antitrust Division.