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Asbestos Hotline

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The California Air Resources Board Compliance Division has established an information/complaint hotline for the purpose of disseminating up-to-date asbestos information and receiving asbestos complaints. Since asbestos was identified as a toxic air contaminant by the ARB in 1986, interest and requests for information regarding asbestos have greatly increased. EPA and local districts have promulgated rules concerning the proper handling of asbestos containing materials. The media has made the general public aware of the cancer causing potential of asbestos and thereby created an interest in the renovation and demolition of existing buildings. Thus the ARB decided to establish an information/complaint hotline.

Some of the information that will be available upon request from the asbestos hotline includes the following:

1. Regulation of Renovation/Demolition/Removal projects
2. Federal Asbestos NESHAP Regulation.
3. Local Air Pollution Control District Rules.
4. Asbestos Certified Licensed Contractors.
5. EPA Laboratories.
6. Landfill Sites.
7. Informational Fact Sheets.

The hotline is for general public use as well as local agency use, and will be available 24 hours a day for complaint or information request calls. The hotline will record the caller's message so that a Compliance Division staff person can act on the information, and return the call later, if necessary. If we receive calls from private citizens with concerns on the renovation and/or demolition of a site that could contain asbestos, we will refer these calls to the appropriate agency. For other callers requesting available information, that information will be sent out as soon as possible.

The asbestos hotline recorder telephone number is 1-800-952-5588

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