

August 23, 2024 **Re: Annual Prevailing Wage Survey**

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter will inform you that, pursuant to the authority provided in Section 17-209 of the State Finance & Procurement Article, the Commissioner of Labor and Industry is preparing to issue prevailing wage determinations for all classifications performing work on building, highway, and other public works subject to the Maryland Prevailing Wage Law for all localities in the State. The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the wage determinations will be made and issued later this year and that your participation is a critical part of the wage determination process. Once the Commissioner issues the determinations, those rates will apply to all requests for prevailing wage determinations for public works for all localities. The determinations will remain in effect for one year from the date upon which they become final.

The rates are determined based upon data voluntarily submitted in connection with the annual survey. You are therefore strongly encouraged to participate and submit data to ensure that the determinations properly reflect prevailing rates for all classifications in each jurisdiction in our State.

This office will begin accepting data on **September 1**, **2024**. The survey will remain open through **October 31**, **2024**. No submissions after that date will be accepted.

Submissions of payroll data should be made electronically at the following web link: https://www.dllr.state.md.us/PrevWage/web/content/ContractorSurvey.aspx. Please be mindful of the following:

- You must be registered with the Department's prevailing wage system to submit information.
- As provided in the COMAR 21.11.11.03.E.(2), any payroll information submitted
 must be for work performed within the 12-month period ending on August 31,
 2024 (i.e., the period September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024). Payroll data
 submissions for work performed outside that period will be excluded from the
 survey.
- If all workers in a given classification on a given project during the selected payroll week were paid the same wage and fringe rates, you need not enter each worker separately; you may enter the total number of workers in the classification.
- All required information must be completed for the submittal to be considered.

As provided in the COMAR 21.11.11.03.C.(2), copies of signed, current collective bargaining agreements will also be accepted, if accompanied by a completed attestation form available on the prevailing wage website.

Please ensure that you **retain any and all underlying materials supporting your survey data submission**. By submitting data in connection with the survey, a submitter is attesting to the accuracy of the data reported to the Commissioner. **At the direction of the Commissioner, a certain percentage of submissions will be subject to audit** to ensure that the data used in determining the prevailing wage is sound.

Resources, including forms and FAQs, will be posted on the website, https://labor.maryland.gov/labor/prev/.

Again, we encourage your participation. Please feel free to contact the unit at prevailingwage@dllr.state.md.us or by calling 410-767-2342 (Ayuda en Español: 410-767-2370) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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