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Commissioners re: Docket 24-OIR-03,

I am a California-based contractor, and I respectfully urge you to oppose the proposed sales registry in Docket 24-OIR-03 and instead support the alternative approach proposed by HARDI.

Our company does not want our business information and records made publicly available through a statewide registry. We already pull permits for our jobs and comply with local permitting requirements. This proposal would create additional paperwork, increase administrative costs, and raise confidentiality concerns for businesses that are already operating responsibly.

Most importantly, this registry will not solve the permit compliance issue. Contractors who choose to perform unpermitted work are unlikely to comply with another reporting requirement. The responsibility for identifying and enforcing unpermitted work should remain with local governments, which already have the authority and responsibility to enforce their permitting requirements.

The proposed registry would place an unnecessary burden on small businesses that are already following the law while doing little to address those who are not. I encourage the Commission to support HARDI's alternative approach, which better addresses the issue without creating unnecessary costs, administrative burdens, or public disclosure concerns for compliant businesses.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Steve Lucey