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Additional submitted attachment is included below.



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California Energy Commission 1516 9th Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Docket #:20-RENEW-01Project:School Energy Efficiency Stimulus ProgramRe:TAB Certifications/Qualifications

Dear CEC Commissioners and Staff,

I am reaching out regarding the TAB qualifications of AB-841. As a sole-proprietor starting an air balance company on May 2, 2002, we became licensed and bonded in this state, with the CSLB, Sole-Proprietor License #807574 as Precision Air Balance (a D-62 contractor). Then on 9/5/2013, we re-organized our business into a corporation and we had to obtain a new CSLB Corporation License #986531, still a D-62 contractor, and we are currently bonded with the state and carry worker's compensation insurance with State Compensation Insurance Fund.

With the combination of both licenses above, we have been licensed in the State of CA for almost 20 years doing business as a D-62 Contractor (Air & Water Balancing). We are certified by National Comfort Institute (NCI). As it stands right now, the current definition of a Certified TAB Technician is limited to certification by AABC, NEBB or TABB. Due to this definition of a Certified TAB Technician, our company is currently excluded from performing any of the work that AB-841 will provide. This puts us at a definite disadvantage. We provide good paying jobs to our employees, pay all of the associated fees to be a valid licensed contractor in this state, the insurances, the comp, the payroll taxes, income taxes.....yet we are excluded from performing TAB work in AB-841, due to NCI not being included in the definition of a "Certified TAB Technician". NCI provides training for Southern CA Edison, PG&E, & San Diego Gas and Electric. They also work with multiple state agencies and are recognized by the Department of Energy and the EPA.

To carry out the goals of AB-841, the state will need to have an abundance of certified TAB Technicians. I encourage the CEC Commissioners and Staff to broaden their definition of a "Certified TAB Technician" to include over 250 contractors who currently hold NCI certifications in this state. I have included a copy of our current CSLB License (#986531) Pocket License, and a copy of our current NCI Certification (Wall Cert and Pocket License). Our current NCI stamp is below.

Thank you,

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Derrick Manqueros Precision Air Balance



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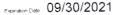


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Classification(s) C61/D62

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Certified Commercial Air Balancer DERRICK MANQUEROS

Has successfully completed the required training and passed the written exam by the

National Comfort Institute, Inc.

to perform HVAC commercial system balancing up to 20 tons according to NCI practical standards and procedures.



Certified Since June 28, 2018 as administered and recognized by



Rob Falke, President

Commercial Air Balancer

CERTIFICATION



Derrick Manqueros 18-294-04

Has participated in the required training and successfully passed the written examination by National Comfort Institute to perform air balancing for commercial HVAC systems according to NCI standards and practices.

Cert Since: 6/28/2018 Cert Exp: 6/28/2022



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