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**U.S. Department of Labor** 

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

3477 Corporate Parkway Suite 120

Center Valley, PA 18034

Phone: (267) 429-7542 Fax: (267) 429-7567



March 27, 2019

Dear Luciano Defretas,

On 10/04/2018, an OSHA compliance officer met with you or your representative as part of an inspection at 4000 Ridge Pike Collegeville, PA 19426. This letter includes the citations for the violations that were found (see summary below). Please choose one of the three options from the box to the right and complete the associated steps found on the following page within 15 working days. Please call us if you have any questions about the enclosed citation and/or penalties; we are here to help you choose the best option to resolve your citation as quickly as possible.

Sincerell,

ean G. Kulp, Area Director

### **Your Citation Summary**

Leonel Rivera

Inspection Number: 1352060

**Total Amount Due:** 

\$210033.00

Payment Due Date:

15 working days

after receipt of

this letter

You must correct each violation by the date listed in the Citation and Notification of Penalty. Please see the violations and the correction deadline for each violation starting on page 6.

Total Number of Violations:

Your First Correction Deadline is: 4/8/19

# Step 1 – Choose a Response Option and Act within 15 working days

Respond now before you lose the ability to discuss potential adjustments to penalty amounts and/or due dates. Please choose one option below and complete the steps on the next page.

#### Option #1 - Discuss with OSHA

I would like to discuss the citation with an OSHA representative. This may lead to changes in the penalty amount, due date or correction deadlines (if appropriate).

#### Option #2 - Correct and Pay

I agree with the citation, penalties, and correction deadlines, and do not contest.

#### Option #3 – Contest the Citation

I do not agree with the citation, penalties, and/or correction deadlines, and would like to contest.

#### **Questions or Concerns?**

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the citation, penalties, and/or correction deadlines, please call us at (267) 429-7542.

# Step \_ - Complete One Option Che ..list

Please post a copy of the citation at or near the place where each violation occurred, even if you plan to contest. You can use the checklist to the right to help plan your next steps. Please do not send in your checklist.

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2.	. Pay the <b>Total Penalty</b> by using one of the fo **Include your Inspection Number (see fine	/_	
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Occupational Safety and Health Administration 3477 Corporate Parkway Suite 120 Center Valley, PA 18034



## Citation and Notification of Penalty

To: Leonel Rivera, dba Navy Contractors, Inc. and its successors 11 Bernice Road North Arlington, NJ 07031

Inspection Site: 4000 Ridge Pike Collegeville, PA 19426 Inspection Number: 1352060

Inspection Date(s): 10/04/2018 - 10/04/2018

**Issuance Date: 03/27/2019** 

The violation(s) described in this Citation and Notification of Penalty is (are) alleged to have occurred on or about the day(s) the inspection was made unless otherwise indicated within the description given below.

This Citation and Notification of Penalty (this Citation) describes violations of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970. The penalty(ies) listed herein is (are) based on these violations. You must abate the violations referred to in this Citation by the dates listed and pay the penalties proposed, unless within 15 working days (excluding weekends and Federal holidays) from your receipt of this Citation and Notification of Penalty you either call to schedule an informal conference (see paragraph below) or you mail a notice of contest to the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above. Please refer to the enclosed booklet (OSHA 3000) which outlines your rights and responsibilities and which should be read in conjunction with this form. Issuance of this Citation does not constitute a finding that a violation of the Act has occurred unless there is a failure to contest as provided for in the Act or, if contested, unless this Citation is affirmed by the Review Commission or a court.

**Posting** - The law requires that a copy of this Citation and Notification of Penalty be posted immediately in a prominent place at or near the location of the violation(s) cited herein, or, if it is not practicable because of the nature of the employer's operations, where it will be readily observable by all affected employees. This Citation must remain posted until the violation(s) cited herein has (have) been abated, or for 3 working days (excluding weekends and Federal holidays), whichever is longer.

Informal Conference - An informal conference is not required. However, if you wish to have such a conference you may request one with the Area Director during the 15 working day contest period by calling 267-429-7542. During such an informal conference you may present any evidence or views which you believe would support an adjustment to the citation(s) and/or penalty(ies).

If you are considering a request for an informal conference to discuss any issues related to this Citation and Notification of Penalty, you must take care to schedule it early enough to allow time to contest after the informal conference, should you decide to do so. Please keep in mind that a written letter of intent to contest must be submitted to the Area Director within 15 working days of your receipt of this Citation. The running of this contest period is not interrupted by an informal conference.

If you decide to request an informal conference, please complete, remove and post the Notice to Employees next to this Citation and Notification of Penalty as soon as the time, date, and place of the informal conference have been determined. Be sure to bring to the conference any and all supporting documentation of existing conditions as well as any abatement steps taken thus far. If conditions warrant, we can enter into an informal settlement agreement which amicably resolves this matter without litigation or contest.

Right to Contest — You have the right to contest this Citation and Notification of Penalty. You may contest all citation items or only individual items. You may also contest proposed penalties and/or abatement dates without contesting the underlying violations. Unless you inform the Area Director in writing that you intend to contest the citation(s) and/or proposed penalty(ies) within 15 working days after receipt, the citation(s) and the proposed penalty(ies) will become a final order of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission and may not be reviewed by any court or agency.

Penalty Payment – Penalties are due within 15 working days of receipt of this notification unless contested. (See the enclosed booklet and the additional information provided related to the Debt Collection Act of 1982.) Make your check or money order payable to "DOL-OSHA". Please indicate the Inspection Number on the remittance. You can also make your payment electronically on <a href="https://www.pay.gov">www.pay.gov</a>. On the left side of the pay.gov homepage, you will see an option to Search Public Forms. Type "OSHA" and click Go. From the results, click on <a href="https://oSHAPenaltyPaymentForm">OSHAPenaltyPaymentForm</a>. The direct link is:

https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334.

You will be required to enter your inspection number when making the payment. Payments can be made by credit card or Automated Clearing House (ACH) using your banking information. Payments of \$25,000 or more require a Transaction ID, and also must be paid using ACH. If you require a Transaction ID, please contact the OSHA Debt Collection Team at (202) 693-2170.

OSHA does not agree to any restrictions or conditions or endorsements put on any check, money order, or electronic payment for less than the full amount due, and will process the payments as if these restrictions or conditions do not exist.

Notification of Corrective Action – For each violation which you do not contest, you must provide abatement certification to the Area Director of the OSHA office issuing the citation and identified above. This abatement certification is to be provided by letter within 10 calendar days after each abatement date. Abatement certification includes the date and method of abatement. If the citation indicates that the violation was corrected during the inspection, no abatement certification is required for that item. The abatement certification letter must be posted at the location where the violation appeared and the corrective action took place or employees must otherwise be effectively informed about abatement activities. A sample abatement certification letter is enclosed with this Citation. In addition, where the citation indicates that abatement documentation is necessary, evidence of the purchase or repair of equipment, photographs or video, receipts, training records, etc., verifying that abatement has occurred is required to be provided to the Area Director.

Employer Discrimination Unlawful – The law prohibits discrimination by an employer against an employee for filing a complaint or for exercising any rights under this Act. An employee who believes that he/she has been discriminated against may file a complaint no later than 30 days after the discrimination occurred with the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above.

Employer Rights and Responsibilities – The enclosed booklet (OSHA 3000) outlines additional employer rights and responsibilities and should be read in conjunction with this notification.

Notice to Employees – The law gives an employee or his/her representative the opportunity to object to any abatement date set for a violation if he/she believes the date to be unreasonable. The contest must be mailed to the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above and postmarked within 15 working days (excluding weekends and Federal holidays) of the receipt by the employer of this Citation and Notification of Penalty.

Inspection Activity Data – You should be aware that OSHA publishes information on its inspection and citation activity on the Internet under the provisions of the Electronic Freedom of Information Act. The information related to these alleged violations will be posted when our system indicates that you have received this citation. You are encouraged to review the information concerning your establishment at www.osha.gov. If you have any dispute with the accuracy of the information displayed, please contact this office.

#### U.S. Department of Labor Occupational Safety and Health Administration



# NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE

informal conference.
. Employees and/or representatives of employees have a right to attend a
Corporate Parkway, Suite 120, Center Valley, PA 18034 onat
03/27/2019. The conference will be held by telephone or at the OSHA office located at 3477
An informal conference has been scheduled with OSHA to discuss the citation(s) issued on

#### CERTIFICATION OF CORRECTIVE ACTION WORKSHEET

Inspection Number: 1352060

Company Name: Leonel Rivera, dba Navy Contractors, Inc. Inspection Site: 4000 Ridge Pike, Collegeville, PA 19426 Issuance Date: 03/27/2019

List the specific method of correction for each item on this citation in this package that does not read "Corrected During Inspection" and return to: U.S. Department of Labor - Occupational Safety and Health Administration, 3477 Corporate Parkway, Suite 120, Center Valley, PA 18034						
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#### Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Leonel Rivera, dba Navy Contractors, Inc. Inspection Site: 4000 Ridge Pike, Collegeville, PA 19426

Citation 1 Item 1 Type of Violation: Serious

29 CFR 1926.302(b)(6): The use of hoses for hoisting or lowering tools was permitted:

a) Construction site, wing C1, room 2026, second floor - On or about October 4, 2018, an employee lowered a Hitachi pneumatic nail gun with an air hose from the rafters of the second floor.

Abatement certification required within 10 days after abatement date. The certification shall include a statement that abatement is complete, date and method of abatement, and states that employees and their representatives were informed of this abatement.

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The alleged violations below have been grouped because they involve similar or related hazards that may increase the potential for injury or illness.

### Citation 1 Item 2 a Type of Violation: Serious

29 CFR 1926.452(w)(2): Scaffold casters and wheels were not locked with positive wheel and/or wheel and swivel locks, or equivalent means, to prevent movement of the scaffold while the scaffold was used in a stationary manner:

a) Construction site, second floor - On or about October 4, 2018, employees used a mobile scaffold that had inoperative wheel locks to work at approximately five feet above the lower level and to access an elevated work area in the trusses.

No abatement certification or documentation required.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated: Proposed Penalty:

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Company Name: Leonel Rivera, dba Navy Contractors, Inc.

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Citation 1 Item 2 b Type of Violation: Serious

29 CFR 1926.1051(a): Stairway(s) or ladder(s) were not provided at all personnel points of access where there was a break in elevation of 19 inches (48 cm) or more, or no ramp, runway, sloped embankment, or personnel hoist was provided:

- a) Construction site, wing C1 second floor On or about October 4, 2018, employees used a mobile scaffold to access an elevated work area in the rafters that was more than four feet above the scaffold.
- b) Construction site, room 2026, wing C1 second floor On or about October 4, 2018, an employee used an eight foot stepladder to access an elevated work area in the rafters that was more than two feet above the ladder.

No abatement certification or documentation required.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

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Citation 1 Item 3 Type of Violation: Serious

29 CFR 1926.501(b)(14): Each employee working on, at, above, or near wall openings (including those with chutes attached), where the outside bottom edge of the wall opening was 6 feet (1.8 m) or more above lower levels and the inside bottom edge of the wall opening is less than 39 inches (1.0 M) above the walking/working surface, is not protected from falling by the use of a guardrail system, a safety net system, or a personal fall arrest system:

a) Construction site, second floor - On or about October 4, 2018, employees walked and worked near the perimeter of the second floor where the wall opening between unsheathed studs was more than 22 inches.

No abatement certification or documentation required.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

Proposed Penalty:

Corrected During Inspection \$7293.00

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#### Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Leonel Rivera, dba Navy Contractors, Inc.

Inspection Site: 4000 Ridge Pike, Collegeville, PA 19426

### Citation 2 Item 1 Type of Violation: Willful

29 CFR 1926.501(b)(1): Each employee on a walking/working surface with an unprotected side or edge which was 6 feet (1.8 m) or more above a lower level was not protected from falling by the use of guardrail systems, safety net systems, or personal fall arrest systems:

- a) Construction site, Wing C1 northeast corner- On or about October 4, 2018, an employee completing installation of trusses worked from the truss ceiling joist and wall top plate of the second floor without utilizing any form of fall protection, exposing him to fall hazards to the interior and exterior of the structure ranging from 10 to 22 feet.
- b) Construction site, Wing C1 west side On or about October 4, 2018, two employees completing. installation of trusses worked from the trusses, truss ceiling joists, and top plate of the second floor without utilizing any form of fall protection, exposing them to fall hazards at the interior of the structure of more than 10 feet.

Abatement certification and documentation required within 10 days after abatement date. The certification shall include a statement that abatement is complete, the date and method of abatement, and state that employees and their representatives were informed of this abatement. Abatement documentation shall include documents demonstrating that abatement is complete, such as evidence of the purchase or repair of equipment, photograph or video evidence of abatement or other written records.

### ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

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Citation 2 Item 2 Type of Violation: Willful

29 CFR 1926.1053(b)(13): The top or top step of a stepladder was used as a step:

a) Construction site, Wing C1 northeast corner- On or about October 4, 2018, an employee used the top and top step of a stepladder to access an elevated work area.

Abatement certification and documentation required within 10 days after abatement date. The certification shall include a statement that abatement is complete, the date and method of abatement, and state that employees and their representatives were informed of this abatement. Abatement documentation shall include documents demonstrating that abatement is complete, such as evidence of the purchase or repair of equipment, photograph or video evidence of abatement or other written records.

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#### Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Leonel Rivera, dba Navy Contractors, Inc.

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Citation 3 Item 1 Type of Violation: Other-than-Serious

29 CFR 1926.503(b)(1): The employer did not verify compliance with paragraph (a) of this section by preparing a written (training) certification record including the name or other identity of the employee trained, the date(s) of the training, and the signature of the person who conducted the training or the signature of the employer:

a) Construction site - On or about October 4, 2018, the employer did not have certification of employee fall protection training.

Abatement certification required within 10 days after abatement date. The certification shall include a statement that abatement is complete, date and method of abatement, and states that employees and their representatives were informed of this abatement.

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

Proposed Penalty:

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Jean G. Kulp

Area Director

Occupational Safety and Health Administration 3477 Corporate Parkway Suite 120 Center Valley, PA 18034



# INVOICE / DEBT COLLECTION NOTICE

Company Name:

Leonel Rivera, dba Navy Contractors, Inc.

Inspection Site:

4000 Ridge Pike, Collegeville, PA 19426

Issuance Date:

03/27/2019

Summary of Penalties for Inspection Number	1352060	
Citation 1, Serious	\$20421.00	
Citation 2, Willful	\$189612.00	
Citation 3, Other-than-Serious	\$0.00	
TOTAL PROPOSED PENALTIES	\$210033.00	

To avoid additional charges, please remit payment promptly to this Area Office for the total amount of the uncontested penalties summarized above. Make your check or money order payable to: "DOL-OSHA". Please indicate OSHA's Inspection Number (indicated above) on the remittance. You can also make your payment electronically on <a href="https://www.pay.gov">www.pay.gov</a>. On the left side of the pay.gov homepage, you will see an option to Search Public Forms. Type "OSHA" and click Go. From the results, click on <a href="https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334">OSHA Penalty Payment Form</a>. The direct link is <a href="https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334">https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334</a>. You will be required to enter your inspection number when making the payment. Payments can be made by credit card or Automated Clearing House (ACH) using your banking information. Payments of \$25,000 or more require a Transaction ID, and also must be paid using ACH. If you require a Transaction ID, please contact the OSHA Debt Collection Team at (202) 693-2170.

OSHA does not agree to any restrictions or conditions or endorsements put on any check, money order, or electronic payment for less than the full amount due, and will cash the check or money order as if these restrictions or conditions do not exist.

If a personal check is issued, it will be converted into an electronic fund transfer (EFT). This means that our bank will copy your check and use the account information on it to electronically debit your account for the amount of the check. The debit from your account will then usually occur within 24 hours and will be shown on your regular account statement. You will not receive your original check back. The bank will destroy your

original check, but will keep a copy of it. If the EFT cannot be completed because of insufficient funds or closed account, the bank will attempt to make the transfer up to 2 times.

Pursuant to the Debt Collection Act of 1982 (Public Law 97-365) and regulations of the U.S. Department of Labor (29 CFR Part 20), the Occupational Safety and Health Administration is required to assess interest, delinquent charges, and administrative costs for the collection of delinquent penalty debts for violations of the Occupational Safety and Health Act.

Interest: Interest charges will be assessed at an annual rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury on all penalty debt amounts not paid within one month (30 calendar days) of the date on which the debt amount becomes due and payable (penalty due date). The current interest rate is one percent (1%). Interest will accrue from the date on which the penalty amounts (as proposed or adjusted) become a final order of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission (that is, 15 working days from your receipt of the Citation and Notification of Penalty), unless you file a notice of contest. Interest charges will be waived if the full amount owed is paid within 30 calendar days of the final order.

<u>Delinquent Charges</u>: A debt is considered delinquent if it has not been paid within one month (30 calendar days) of the penalty due date or if a satisfactory payment arrangement has not been made. If the debt remains delinquent for more than 90 calendar days, a delinquent charge of six percent (6%) per annum will be assessed accruing from the date that the debt became delinquent.

Administrative Costs: Agencies of the Department of Labor are required to assess additional charges for the recovery of delinquent debts. These additional charges are administrative costs incurred by the Agency in its attempt to collect an unpaid debt. Administrative costs will be assessed for demand letters sent in an attempt to collect the unpaid debt.

Jean G. Kulp

Area Director

Date .