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Department of Agriculture and Forestry Horticulture Commission

Landscape Architect Registration Exam

The next landscape architect registration examination will be given December 7-9, 1998, beginning at 7:45 a.m. at the College of Design Building, Louisiana State University Campus, Baton Rouge, LA. The deadline for sending the application and fee is as follows:

New Candidates: September 11, 1998

Re-Take Candidates: September 25, 1998

Reciprocity Candidates: November 13, 1998

Further information pertaining to the examinations may be obtained from Craig Roussel, Director, Horticulture Commission, Box 3118, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-3118, phone (225) 925-7772.

Any individual requesting special accommodations due to a disability should notify the office prior to September 11, 1998. Questions may be directed to (225) 925-7772.

Bob Odom
Commissioner

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Student Financial Assistance Commission Office of Student Financial Assistance

TOPS ACT Deadline Extension Hearing (LAC 29:IV.301, 703, and 803)

The Louisiana Student Financial Assistance Commission (LASFAC) advertises its intention to hold a hearing to receive public comment on a rule revision to the Tuition Opportunity Program for Students [R.S. 17:3048.1] which provides a one-time extension of the deadline for completing the ACT Test to the national test date scheduled in October, 1998, for those students who failed to take the test prior to their high school graduation date.

The hearing will be held at 2:00 p.m., September 28, 1998, in the fourth floor conference room, Louisiana Retirement Systems Building, 8401 United Plaza Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

All interested persons will be afforded an opportunity to submit data, views, comments, or arguments, orally and in writing.

Jack L. Guinn
Executive Director

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Department of Health and Hospitals Board of Veterinary Medicine

Board Meeting Date Change

The Louisiana Board of Veterinary Medicine has changed the meeting date for the regularly scheduled October board meeting from Wednesday, October 14, 1998 to Thursday, October 15, 1998.

Charles B. Mann
Executive Director

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Department of Health and Hospitals Office of the Secretary Bureau of Health Services Financing

Retroactive Licensure of Hospital Sites

On June 10, 1998, Senate Concurrent Resolution Number 35 (SCR-35) was adopted. SCR-35 authorized the Department of Health and Hospitals, for a period of six (6) months after the date of the adoption of SCR-35, to accept applications and within a reasonable time thereafter to issue licenses to satellite facilities of a licensed hospital retroactive to the date the services were first offered by the hospital or to permit a licensed hospital to retroactively amend its license to include its satellite facilities from the date the services were first offered by the hospital. To effectuate the terms of SCR-35, the Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH) announces the following:

I. Interpretation of LA R.S. 40:2107B

For Licensing Hospital Premises

Louisiana Revised Statute 40:2107B states:

Each license issued hereunder shall be for a period of one year from date of issuance unless sooner revoked, shall be on a form prescribed by the Department, shall not be transferable or assignable, shall be issued only for the person and premises named in the application, shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the licensed premises, and may be renewed from year to year upon application and payment of the license fee as in the case of the procurement of an original license.

DHH interprets the language in 2107B "shall be issued for the person and premises named in the application" to mean that all premises on which hospital services are provided and that are not physically connected by a side walk, cross walk, elevated walkway, or parking lot to the hospital must be included on the hospital's license application to operate as a

licensed site under the hospital's license. If a site is not physically connected to the hospital and it is not listed on the hospital's license application, it is not a licensed site. Premises not physically connected to the hospital means the same as satellite facilities in SCR-35.

II. Procedure for Applying for Retroactive License Under Senate Concurrent Resolution Number 35

SCR-35 establishes five (5) criteria to qualify for retroactive licensure of satellite locations. The criteria are listed below with DHH's requirement to meet the criteria.

Criteria 1. Where there is no question about quality or appropriateness of medical and other services rendered by the satellite facilities of a hospital.

DHH Requirement for Criteria 1: The hospital attests that the above condition was satisfied.

Criteria 2. Where satisfactory fire and health inspections have been made prior to application. Facilities no longer in operation do not have to satisfy this criteria provided the owner of the hospital at the time services were rendered in the satellite facility files an assurance with the Department of Health and Hospitals that safety standards appropriate to the services provided were satisfied.

DHH Requirement for Criteria 2: A copy of the fire and health inspection must be provided with the retroactive licensure application, or for facilities no longer in operation, the retroactive licensure application must include either a copy of the fire and safety inspections during the time sought for retroactive licensure or an assurance from the owner of the hospital at the time services were rendered in the satellite facility that safety standards appropriate to the services provided were satisfied.

Criteria 3. Where a satellite facility is certified to be in substantive compliance from the date of its opening by the hospital owning and managing such facility.

DHH Requirement for Criteria 3: The hospital owning and managing such facility attest that the above condition was satisfied.

Criteria 4. Where appropriate, the licensed hospital has been and is accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.

DHH Requirement for Criteria 4: The hospital attests that the above condition was satisfied. If the facility is not accredited by the JCAHO, an explanation must be provided why it is not appropriate for the facility to be JCAHO, such as the facility has been licensed by state survey since or accredited by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) since.

Criteria 5. When the hospital owning and managing such facility will hold harmless and indemnify the Department of Health and Hospitals in any action in which the licensure status of the satellite is at issue.

DHH Requirement for Criteria 5: The hospital owning and managing such facility agrees to hold harmless and indemnify the Department of Health and Hospitals in any action in which the licensure status of the satellite facilities is at issue.

The submission of the above attestations with any supporting documentation must be modeled after the application, certification, affidavit and hold harmless agreement shown herein. The submission should be made

immediately. The Department of Health and Hospitals will not accept submissions after December 9, 1998. The submission should be addressed to:

Department of Health and Hospitals
Bureau of Health Standards
Attention: Patricia Pittman
655 North 5th Street, Third Floor
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

Retroactive licensure under Senate Concurrent Resolution 35 does not automatically mean the facilities are certified under Medicare and/or Medicaid. The certification process is not affected by the resolution and must be accomplished through the existing procedures.

Any questions on the information that should be included in the submission for retroactive licensure can be addressed to Jerry Phillips, (225)342-1128.

Application, Certification, Affidavit and Hold Harmless Agreement to Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals In Connection with the Licensure of Satellite Facilities of

(Name of Hospital)

State of Louisiana
Parish of _____

BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public, personally came and appeared: _____, authorized representative of the hospital owning and managing the facilities listed herein for which _____ hospital seeks to obtain retroactive licensure, who after first being duly sworn, did depose and state the following:

WHEREAS, Senate Concurrent Resolution Number 35 of the Regular Session of 1998 resolved *that the Department of Health and Hospitals is hereby authorized to issue retroactive licenses for satellite facilities of hospitals, including those satellites no longer in operation, to the date the satellite facility services were first offered by the hospital, or to retroactively amend a hospital license issued by the Department to the hospital facility owning and managing a satellite facility to include such facility upon timely application to the Department and upon meeting certain criteria;* and

WHEREAS, _____ Hospital does meet all of the criteria as provided in SCR Number 35 as attested to and certified herein with respect to those satellite facilities as shown on Attachment 1 hereto:

NOW THEREFORE, Affiant, _____, does hereby affirm and certify as follows with respect to all of those facilities shown on Attachment 1.

Attachment 1 contains the location of the satellite facilities for which retroactive licensure is sought and the dates that services were first offered by _____ Hospital at said sites. We request retroactive licensure to be effective from the dates services were first offered.

1. There is no question about the quality or

appropriateness of medical and other services rendered by the satellite facilities of _____ Hospital shown on Attachment 1.

2. Satisfactory Fire and Health inspections have been made prior to this application for all satellite facilities as shown on Attachment 1. Attachment 2 contains copies of the fire and health inspections of the facilities listed on Attachment 1 or an assurance from the owner of the hospital at the time services were rendered in the satellite facility that safety standards appropriate to the services provided were satisfied.

3. _____ Hospital does hereby certify that all satellite facilities as shown on Attachment 1 have been in substantive compliance with the Department of Health and Hospitals' Rules and Regulations from the date of opening.

4. _____ Hospital has been and is accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations since _____ or an explanation why JCAHO accreditation was not appropriate, such as the facility has been licensed by state survey since _____ or accredited by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) since _____.

5. _____ Hospital does hereby agree to hold harmless and indemnify the Department of Health and Hospitals in any action in which the licensure status of the satellite facilities shown on Attachment 1 are at issue.

Considering the foregoing and Senate Concurrent Resolution Number 35 of the 1998 Regular Session, _____ Hospital does hereby apply for and requests retroactive licensure for the facilities shown on Attachment 1, effective from the dates services were first offered also as shown on Attachment 1.

WITNESSES: _____

Authorized Representative _____

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME
THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 1998.

(Notary Public)

Attachment I

**Attachment to
Application, Certification, Affidavit and
Hold Harmless Agreement to
Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals in
Connection with the Licensure of Satellite Facilities of**

(Name of Hospital)

This Attachment 1 contains the following information:

1. the location of the satellite facilities for which retroactive licensure is sought on the Application to which this is an attachment;

2. the dates that services were first offered by _____ Hospital at said sites and to which date retroactive licensure is requested;

3. the date that licensure for the location was previously granted, if applicable; and

4. if closed, date closed.

Location of the Satellite Facilities for Which Retroactive Licensure Is Sought	Dates that Services Were First Offered By Hospital; the Date from Which We Request Retroactive Licensure to Be Effective	Date That Licensure Was Previously Granted, if Applicable	If Closed, Date Closed
1.			
2.			
3.			

Attachment 2

**Attachment to
Application, Certification, Affidavit and
Hold Harmless Agreement to
Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals
in Connection with the Licensure of
Satellite Facilities of**

(Name of Hospital)

This Attachment 2 contains the following information:

1. copies of the fire and health inspections of the facilities listed on Attachment 1; or

2. for facilities no longer in operation, either a copy of the fire and safety inspections during the time sought for retroactive licensure shown on Attachment 1 or an assurance from the owner of the hospital at the time services were rendered in the satellite facilities as shown on Attachment 1 that safety standards appropriate to the services provided were satisfied.

David W. Hood
Secretary

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**Department of Labor
Office of Workers' Compensation**

Average Weekly Wage Rate

Pursuant to Act 583 of the Regular Session of the 1975 Louisiana Legislature, this state's average weekly wage upon

which the maximum workers' compensation weekly benefit amount will be based, effective September 1, 1998, has been determined by the Department of Labor to be \$489.95.

Gary J. Forster
Secretary

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**Department of Labor
Office of Workers' Compensation**

Weekly Compensation Benefit Limits

Pursuant to R.S. 23:1202 and based on the statewide average weekly wage as determined by the Department of Labor, the following limits shall apply to weekly compensation benefits for claimants injured during the period September 1, 1998 through August 31, 1999.

Average Weekly Wage	Maximum Compensation	Minimum Compensation
\$489.95	\$367.00	\$98.00

Gary J. Forster
Secretary

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**Department of Natural Resources
Office of Conservation**

Orphaned Oilfield Sites

Office of Conservation records indicate that the Oilfield Sites listed in the table below have met the requirements as set forth by Section 91 of Act 404, La. R.S. 30:80 et seq., and as such are being declared Orphaned Oilfield Sites.

Operator	Field	Well Name	Well Number	Serial Number
Creek Operating Company, Inc.	Simon Pass	CAM 1A RA SUA; Hebert	002	138218
Creek Operating Company, Inc.	Simon Pass	ROBU 1 SUA; Hebert	2-D	138870
Creek Operating Company, Inc.	Simon Pass	Louis C Hebert et al	003	138871
Creek Operating Company, Inc.	North Bayou Cholpe	F WILSON RA SUB; Rougon	001	207068
Creek Operating Company, Inc.	North Bayou Cholpe	F WILSON RA SUC; Rougon	002	207653

Creek Operating Company, Inc.	Simon Pass	Norman et al	001	139390
Creek Operating Company, Inc.	Simon Pass	Norman et al	1-D	139671
Ed I. Estis	Garden City	MA 5 RB SUA: B L Smith	001	142431
Ed I. Estis	Iberia	D Baez	001	151243
Ed I. Estis	Section 28	Henry Melancon	002	104805
Gas Transportation Corporation	Little Pecan Lake	Miami Corporation I R AA	001	076866
Gas Transportation Corporation	Little Pecan Lake	Miami Corporation B	003	048614
Gas Transportation Corporation	Little Pecan Lake	Miami Corporation IR AB	004	094281
John F. Mitchell et al	Caddo Pine Island	Caddo Levee Board	001	076807
Mullins and Prichard	Shell Island	The Citrus Land Co Inc	002	157877
Pan American Production Co.	Pine Prairie	Mrs Herodias G Vidrine	001	037809
Peabody Petroleum Company	Port Barre	Wilson and Cochran	A-2	070253
Max Pray	Napoleonville	Charles E Landry	001	058826
Saline Partners, L.L.C.	Wildcat	Pinelands Fee	001	218665
Sam Spears, Jr.	Birds Creek	Tensas Delta	A1	117581
Sam Spears, Jr.	Nolans Bayou	Broadhead SWD	001	971338
Sam Spears, Jr.	Boltners Brake	Isaac Boatner SWD	001	081303
Sam Spears, Jr.	Boltners Brake	WX A RA SUA; Boatner	003	086377
Sam Spears, Jr.	Trout Creek	W Waggonner	001	152060
Sam Spears, Jr.	Craig Bayou	VUA; Williamette	001	204944
Sam Spears, Jr.	Craig Bayou	IP CO SWD	001	205480
Sam Spears, Jr.	Craig Bayou	VUC; Williamette	002	205930
Sam Spears, Jr.	Big Bayou	Tensas Delta Exxon	002	166304

Sam Spears, Jr.	Big Bayou	Tensas Delta Exxon	004	169468
Sam Spears, Jr.	Big Bayou	Tensas Delta Exxon	007	180502
Sam Spears, Jr.	Big Bayou	Tensas Delta Exxon	008	201616
Sam Spears, Jr.	Big Bayou	Tensas Delta Exxon	009	201617
Sam Spears, Jr.	Big Bayou	Tensas Delta Exxon SWD	001	166108
Sam Spears, Jr.	Big Bayou	Exxon Tensas Delta SWD	001	169485
Texas Gulf Producing, Inc.	Section 28	Bessie Franzheim etal	002	204171
Whitestone Petroleum Corp.	Cox Bay	Orleans Levee Dist	001	124466

Philip N. Asprodites
Commissioner

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Department of Natural Resources Office of Conservation Injection and Mining Division

Public Hearing—Nonhazardous Oilfield Waste Treatment Facility

Pursuant to the provisions of the laws of the State of Louisiana and particularly Title 30 of the Louisiana revised Statutes of 1950 as amended, and the provisions of the Statewide Order Number 29-B, notice is hereby given that the Commissioner of Conservation will conduct a hearing at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday October 21, 1998, in the Vermilion Parish Courthouse, Court Room Number 1, located on the 2nd floor, in Abbeville, Louisiana.

At such hearing, the Commissioner, or his designated representative will hear testimony relative to the application of Miller S.W.D., Inc., P.O. Box 32, Lacassine, Louisiana 70650. The applicant intends to construct and operate a commercial nonhazardous oilfield waste treatment facility in Section 5, Township 12 South, Range 02 West, approximately 4 mile from Gueydan, Louisiana.

The application is available for inspection by contacting Mr. Pierre Catrou, Office of Conservation, Injection and Mining Division, Room 257 of the State Land and Natural Resources Building, 625 North 4th Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, or by visiting the Vermilion Parish Police Jury Office or the Vermilion Parish Library branch at 605 McMurtry Street in Guedan, Louisiana. Verbal information may be received by calling Mr. Catrou at 504/342-5567.

All interested persons will be afforded an opportunity to present data, views or arguments, orally or in writing, at said public hearing. Written comments which will not be presented at the hearing must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., October 29, 1998, at the Baton Rouge Office. Comments should be directed to:

Office of Conservation
Injection and Mining Division
P.O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804
Re: Docket Number IMD 98-10
Commercial Facility
Vermilion Parish

Philip N. Asprodites
Commissioner

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