Standard Specifications 5-1.13E Prompt Payment

Section 5-1.13E applies to all contracts.

Pay your subcontractors within 7 days of receipt of each progress payment under Pub Cont Code § 10262 and 10262.5. Pay other entities, such as material suppliers, within 30 days of receipt of each progress payment.

Each month, after the 15th and prior to 20th, submit the following payment information through the Department's prompt payment monitoring system at https://caltrans.dbesystem.com:

- 1. Subcontractor's or entity's business name
- 2. Description of work performed
 - 2.1. Bid item numbers or change order numbers
 - 2.2. Written narrative of work performed
- 3. Value of work performed
- 4. Amount paid to subcontractor or entity
- 5. Withhold amount, if applicable
- 6. Explanation of withhold reasoning, if applicable

Your subcontractors and other entities may validate payments received using the prompt payment monitoring system.

If a subcontractor's or other entity's work is in dispute, provide a written withhold notification to the subcontractor or entity and the Engineer no later than 7 days after receipt of the corresponding progress payment that includes the following:

- 1. Value of the disputed work
- 2. Amount of the withhold being taken
- 3. Bid item numbers or change order numbers associated with the disputed work
- 4. Explanation of the deficiencies of the disputed work and how the corresponding value was calculated
- 5. Corrective actions to be taken for release of withheld amount

The Department may request additional documentation from you to evaluate whether you applied the withhold in good faith.

If the Department determines your withhold was not applied in good faith or that you failed to submit the required withhold notification, the Department may withhold the same amount from your future progress pay estimate. The Department may also apply a 2 percent penalty on the withhold amount for every month payment is not made.