July 1, 2020

FINAL REMINDER

2020 PREVAILING WAGE SURVEY (PWS)

Dear Owner and/or Manager:

As we push into our final deadline set for July 10th, we are once again requesting for you to set aside time and immediately complete the CNMI 2020 Prevailing Wage Survey (PWS).

This is our final reminder and we highly encourage you to go online at your earliest and complete the survey questionnaire for your company – **Deadline to submit data is on July 10, 2020 (Friday)**.

Please visit this link: [http://cnmidata.commerce.gov.mp/](http://cnmidata.commerce.gov.mp/)

If you have already completed the 2020 Prevailing Wage Survey (PWS), we thank you for your time and efforts in providing us your data. As you know, your data will be used to produce the 2020 updated prevailing hourly wage statistics required under the “Northern Mariana Islands U.S. Workforce Act of 2018”. So far, 450 employers have reported on 7,728 employees in the Survey, as of Wednesday July 1st. In last year’s PWS, 937 employers with over 19,000 employees participated.

Your participation in the 2020 PWS will ensure that an hourly wage rate from within the CNMI can be derived for the maximum number of SOC Detailed Titles and made available for employers when applying for a CW1 visa. As you well know, when there is no published prevailing hourly wage rate issued by the Governor for an SOC title, the employer will have to use a wage amount from Guam or the National OES and the wage amounts from these sources are usually much higher than the CNMI’s.

The Department of Commerce’s Central Statistics Division (CSD) is mandated by the CNMI Statistical Act of 1990, Public Law 7-35, to collect Official Government Statistics relating to demographics, social and economic activities of the Commonwealth for program planning and policy decision making.

Your answers and data are protected under the CNMI Statistical Act and only Sworn CSD staff are allowed to view them and no one else.

Your cooperation and assistance in providing your valuable data for the 2020 Prevailing Wage (PWS) report is greatly appreciated.

For inquiries, please contact CSD at 322 – 3005 / 3007.

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