



State of California

# Employment Training Panel

*Arnold Schwarzenegger, Governor*

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## **Employment Training Panel Awards Over \$7 Million to Train 6,745 California Workers**

**SACRAMENTO** – The California Labor and Workforce Development Agency's Employment Training Panel (ETP) today approved 37 contracts totaling over \$7 million in job training funds. This money will provide training to 6,745 California workers for various high-wage occupations.

In support of Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger's efforts to protect the economy and the environment through clean technology, the Panel awarded job training contracts to various eco-friendly businesses. San Diego-based Cali Bamboo, LLC, which sells and distributes bamboo building products, received \$26,400 to train 20 of their 25 employees in all aspects of their business operations. Hill Partnership, Inc., of Orange, an architectural firm focusing on environmental design and green building, received \$20,196 to train 27 of their 34 employees, in continuous improvement and business, commercial and computer skills. Label Impressions, Inc., a small label printing manufacturer that uses only paper materials that come from sustainable forests that are managed responsibly, located in Orange, was awarded a \$35,828 contract to train all 26 of their employees.

The Panel also awarded a \$93,600 contract to American Biodiesel, Inc., dba Community Fuels, to train 15 recently hired workers in a wide variety of production skills. Community Fuels will produce biodiesel, a clean, renewable diesel fuel, at its new biodiesel fuel production facility in Stockton. Biodiesel is nontoxic, biodegradable, and considered one of the nation's most promising alternative fuel sources.

"The Employment Training Panel is committed to supporting training projects for eco-friendly California businesses," said Barry Broad, ETP's Acting Chair. "The Panel will continue to prioritize clean technologies that support the State's efforts to promote a healthy environment for all Californians."

For more information regarding the contracts awarded Cali Bamboo, Hill Partnership, Label Impressions, and Community Fuels, please contact Charles Lundberg, ETP's Director of Economic Development, at 916/327-5261.

ETP is a business and labor supported state agency that assists employers in strengthening their competitive edge by providing funds to partially off-set the costs of job skills training that is necessary to maintain high-performance workplaces. California's ETP is a performance-based program, providing funds for trainees who successfully complete approved training programs and are retained in well-paying jobs for a specific period of time.

The program is funded by the Employment Training Tax paid by California employers, and targets firms threatened by out-of-state and international competition. Since its inception in 1983, the ETP program has provided over \$1 billion to train more than 665,000 workers in over 65,000 California companies. Employers match training funds awarded through ETP contracts, making these projects true public-private partnerships.

To view copies of the proposals considered by the Panel at its most recent meeting, visit the ETP website at <http://www.etp.ca.gov/packets.cfm>. For more information about the ETP program, please visit [www.etp.ca.gov](http://www.etp.ca.gov), or call 916-327-5261.

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**(Attachment)**

**EMPLOYMENT TRAINING PANEL  
CONTRACTS APPROVED  
September 28, 2007**

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Contract Amount</u>
Good Samaritan Hospital, a California Limited Partnership	Kern	\$ 274,680
PCL Industrial Services, Inc.	Kern	\$ 172,800
Glendale Community College Professional Development Center	Statewide	\$ 996,516
Southeast Area Social Services Funding Authority	Los Angeles, Orange, Ventura Riverside, San Bernardino	\$ 39,796
Aero Mechanism Precision, Inc.	Los Angeles	\$ 17,160
Background Images, Inc.	Los Angeles	\$ 21,840
Computer Sciences Corporation	Los Angeles	\$ 28,800
Plasidyne Engineering and Manufacturing, Inc.	Los Angeles	\$ 14,300
Atlas Database Software Corp., dba Atlas Development Corporation	Los Angeles	\$ 49,972
Rantec Power Systems, Inc.	San Luis Obispo	\$ 49,920
The Kettel Group	Los Angeles	\$ 26,676
US Hybrid	Los Angeles	\$ 15,600
Automobile Club of Southern California	Statewide	\$ 1,013,500
Vista Healthcare, LLC	San Bernardino, Riverside	\$ 298,188
Career College of California	Orange	\$ 197,484
Tradeshaw and Sign Crafts Local 831 Training and Re-Training Trust Fund for Southern California	Statewide	\$ 220,024
Southern California Glaziers Local Union 636 Joint Apprenticeship Trust	Los Angeles, San Bernardino Riverside, Orange	\$ 220,024
Cali Bamboo, LLC	San Diego	\$ 26,400
Dr. Fresh, Inc.	Orange	\$ 29,700
Hill Partnership, Inc.	Orange	\$ 20,196
Label Impressions, Inc.	Orange	\$ 35,828
AHC, Inc.	Fresno	\$ 198,000
Fuel Total Systems California Corporation	Stanislaus	\$ 108,000
Safeway, Inc.	Statewide	\$ 982,680
Bank of America Corporation	Sacramento, San Francisco Contra Costa, Fresno, Orange Los Angeles, San Diego	\$ 1,244,650
American Biodiesel, Inc., dba Community Fuels	San Joaquin	\$ 93,600
Tuff Stuff Products, Inc.	Tulare	\$ 46,800

Spreckels Sugar Company, Inc.	Fresno	\$	34,560
Sunpol Resins & Polymers, Inc.	Solano	\$	15,600
Capital Corrugated, Inc.	Sacramento	\$	54,912
Merryvale Vineyards, LLC	Napa	\$	19,500
Veritable Vegetable, Inc.	San Francisco	\$	164,736
Harkness Enterprises, Inc., dba Pacific Plastics & Engineering	Santa Cruz	\$	143,000
Mountain Travel, dba Mountain Travel Sobek	Alameda	\$	99,792
Disco Hi-Tech America, Inc.	Santa Clara	\$	34,452
Logic Devices, Incorporation	Santa Clara	\$	15,600
Photon, Inc.	Santa Clara	\$	7,800