



State of California

Employment Training Panel

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Employment Training Panel Awards Almost \$9.3 Million To Train 8,024 California Workers

SACRAMENTO – The California Labor and Workforce Development Agency’s Employment Training Panel (ETP) awarded almost \$9.3 million in job training funds to improve the skills of 8,024 California workers for quality positions in both large and small businesses in sectors including green technology, bio-technology, healthcare, manufacturing, telecommunications, construction and agriculture.

The Panel awarded a \$208,500 job training contract to Gnomon School of Visual Effects to enhance and upgrade the skills of 100 animation and effects professionals within the entertainment industry. Established in 1997 and headquartered in Hollywood, Gnomon will provide retraining opportunities focused on the most current versions of digital software and hardware in an effort to improve industry workers’ chances of remaining in highly skilled, high wage, and secure jobs.

Industry experts indicate that the production of motion pictures and television programs and commercials has become a world-wide business, and that rapidly developing competition in other parts of the country and the world are challenging California’s industry foothold. The job training contract awarded to Gnomon will provide up-to-date technology training to employers who cannot take equipment and staff out of production for training purposes, and for small businesses that often lack adequate training facilities, equipment and in-house trainers with sufficient technology expertise.

“With the growing demand and constant evolution of technology, training is no longer a luxury, but rather a necessity,” said Pam Hogarth, Gnomon’s Director of Advancement. “ETP training funds will allow Gnomon to meet training demands and assist entertainment industry employers in remaining viable in the California economy.”

For more information regarding Gnomon School of Visual Effects, contact Pam Hogarth at 323/466-6662 or Pam@gnomonschool.com.

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 800,000 workers in over 70,000 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, or call 916-327-5261.

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**EMPLOYMENT TRAINING PANEL
CONTRACTS APPROVED
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<u>Contractor**</u>	<u>City/County</u>	<u>Contract Amount</u>
SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA		
JSR Micro, Inc	Santa Clara	\$ 159,120
Owens Corning Sales LLC	Santa Clara	\$ 194,400
Precision Swiss Products, Inc.	Santa Clara	\$ 74,880
PS Print, LLC	Alameda	\$ 99,144
<u>SAN DIEGO REGION</u>		
Arlon, Inc.	San Bernardino, Orange	\$ 260,295
College Painting Works, Inc. dba National Services Group	Orange	\$ 39,180
Equus Products, Inc.	Orange	\$ 26,182
Esparza's Welding and Machine Shop, Inc., dba EW Corporation	Imperial	\$ 41,600
Executive Safe and Security Corporation, dba Amphion	San Bernardino	\$ 34,450
Innova Electronics Corporation	Orange	\$ 12,168
Lowe's HIW, Inc.	Riverside, Sacramento, San Diego, San Joaquin	\$ 365,250
Nordstrom, Inc.	San Bernardino, Orange, Contra costa, Alameda	\$ 324,000
S & S Fluid Power, Inc.	Orange	\$ 20,280
Spreckels Sugar Company, Inc.	Imperial	\$ 43,200
Stang Industries, Inc.	Riverside	\$ 39,000
<u>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION</u>		
A-CCORD, Inc.	Los Angeles	\$ 125,195
Angeles Welding & Mfg., Inc., dba Angeles Steel Services	Los Angeles	\$ 74,844
Brand Consulting Group LLC	Los Angeles	\$ 190,513
Carney's Office Equipment, Inc., dba Carney's Business Technology Center	Kern	\$ 15,840
Century Housing Corporation	Los Angeles, Orange, Ventura, Riverside, San Bernardino	\$ 484,700
Dental Technology Institute of Southern California	Los Angeles	\$ 99,632
First Software USA, Inc., dba Oxford Institute of Technology	Los Angeles, Orange, Ventura	\$ 99,715
Managed Career Solutions, Inc.	Los Angeles	\$ 199,880

Northrop Grumman Space Technology, a Division of Northrop Grumman Space & Mission Systems	Los Angeles	\$ 50,400
Pharmavite LLC	Los Angeles	\$ 514,368
Sinecera Inc., dba Crown Valley . Precision Machining	Los Angeles	\$ 57,720
Southern California Graphics Corporation	Los Angeles	\$ 31,200
Woongjin Coway USA Inc.	Los Angeles	\$ 43,500

SACRAMENTO REGION

Blair, Church & Flynn Consulting Engineers, Inc.	Fresno	\$ 74,880
Borges Architectural Group, Inc.	Placer	\$ 23,760
California Manufacturers & Technology Association	Alameda, San Francisco	\$ 3,211,400
Dale Brisco, Inc.	Fresno	\$ 29,250
ITW Rippey Corporation, a Division of Illinois Tool Works, Inc.	El Dorado	\$ 73,872
Johns Manville	Glen	\$ 60,030
Polycomp Administrative Services, Inc.	Placer, Los Angeles, San Diego	\$ 73,500
Preferred Manufacturing Services, Inc., dba Snowline Engineering	El Dorado	\$ 61,360

STATEWIDE

California Building Performance Contractors Association	Statewide	\$ 252,600
Ricoh Americas Corporation	Statewide	\$ 495,510
Western Growers	Statewide	\$ 74,160
Gnomon School of Visual Effects	Statewide	\$ 208,500
New Technology Training Institute	Statewide	\$ 139,250
F. Rodgers Corporation	Statewide	\$ 389,700
Diageo North America, Inc.	Statewide	\$ 315,495

**Contracts grouped by ETP Regional Office areas

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