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## News Release

### Air District Reaches Settlement with Sacramento Manor and C & G Construction for \$15,000

Sacramento Manor and C & G Construction have paid \$15,000 in penalties to the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District for improper removal and disposal of Regulated Asbestos Containing Material. The violation occurred at Sacramento Manor's complex site located at 7300 24<sup>th</sup> Street Bypass in Sacramento in September of 2007.

"Asbestos violations create a very serious danger to public health" said AQMD's Executive Officer Larry Greene.

District enforcement staff cited several violations associated with Sacramento Manor's renovation project including failure to notify the Air District of the renovation of a structure having RACM, failure to pay notification fees, and failure to properly remove and dispose of RACM. The Notices of Violation were issued for District Rule 304, *Plan Fees* and Rule 902, *Asbestos*.

Asbestos is a hazardous air pollutant that was once heavily used in insulation and other building materials. Prolonged exposure and inhalation of airborne asbestos fibers can cause cancer and asbestosis, a serious respiratory disease.

Sacramento Manor is a residential senior living community. C & G Construction specializes in commercial and residential needs. The fine of \$15,000 was paid by WGID Enterprises, Inc. a property management company located in Carmichael, CA.

The penalty was reached through the AQMD's Mutual Settlement Program, a voluntary program designed to resolve violations without the time and expense of litigation. Settlement funds will be used to help support the District's mission of improving air quality in the Sacramento region.