

Date

Project No. Project No.

Lessor
Street Address
City, State, Zip

Dear Lessor:

SEISMIC CERTIFICATE OF APPLICABLE CODE

Current state policy dictates that all facilities considered for state lease must be evaluated for the ability to meet a reasonable level of seismic performance.

Our initial screening process indicates that a structural evaluation performed by an independent licensed architect, civil engineer, or structural engineer will be required for your facility. The enclosed certification form must be completed by the licensed professional and returned with all appropriate supporting documentation to this office prior to execution of a lease.

Please initiate action to obtain the above described certification at the earliest possible date so we can proceed with leasing activity for your facility. All expenses incurred in obtaining the subject certification are to be borne by the lessor.

Should you have any questions regarding this policy as it relates to leasing, please contact me at Phone Number.

Sincerely,

NameTitle-Classification

cc:

Seismic Certificate of Applicable Code

The Certificate must be signed and stamped by an architect, civil engineer, or structural engineer licensed by the State of California or the state in which the property is located, who certifies that the Certificate was prepared by this person or under this person's direct supervision. The Certificate must contain an assurance that the signatory was responsible for, and performed the bulk of the work reported in the Certificate, and has no ownership interest in the property; located at: , , .

A Certificate of Applicable Code may be provided if the entire building was constructed under a permit approved by the local jurisdiction and was designed to meet one of the following requirements:

1998 or subsequent editions of the California Building Code; or,

1976 or subsequent editions of the Uniform Building Code and the building does not have any one of the enumerated characteristics or conditions listed below:

- Unreinforced masonry elements, whether load-bearing or not; not including brick veneer;
- Precast, prestressed, or post-tensioned structural or architectural elements, except piles;
- Flexible diaphragm (e.g., plywood)-shear wall (masonry or concrete) structural system constructed pursuant to editions of the Uniform Building Code prior to the 1997 edition;
- Apparent additions, alterations, or repairs to the structural system made without a building permit;
- Constructed on a site with a slope with one or more stories partially below grade (taken as 50% or less) for a portion of their exterior;
- Soft or weak story, including wood frame structures with cripple walls, or is construction over first-story parking;
- Seismic retrofit of the building, whether voluntary or mandated, whether partial or complete;
- Repairs following an earthquake;
- Welded steel moment frames (WSMF) that constitute the primary seismic force-resisting system for the building, and the structure was designed to code requirements preceding those of the 1997 edition of the Uniform Building Code, and the building site has experienced an earthquake of sufficient magnitude and site peak ground motions that inspection is required when any of the conditions of Section 3.2 of FEMA 352 indicate an investigation of beam-column connections is warranted;
- Visible signs of distress or deterioration of structural or non-structural systems, e.g., excessively cracked and/or spalling concrete walls or foundations, wood dry rot, etc.

Documentation of the selected performance level evaluation will be retained by the preparer and shall be available to the State upon request.

Name:

Affix Stamp Below.

Firm:

Telephone: () -

License No.:

License Expiration Date:

Signature

Date

Comments:

For a building not qualifying under the above criteria; an Independent Review must be performed.