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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20001

In the Matter of

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, OFFICE)	
OF APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING,)	
EMPLOYER AND LABOR SERVICES,)	
)	
Prosecuting Party,)	
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v.)	Case Nos. 2002-CCP-1,
)	2003-CCP-1
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT)	
OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS,)	
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Respondent,)	
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and)	
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CALIFORNIA APPRENTICESHIP COUNCIL,)	
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Respondent.)	
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PARTIES' SECOND JOINT SETTLEMENT STATUS REPORT

Prosecuting Party Office of Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services ("OATELS") and Respondents California Department of Industrial Relations ("CDIR") and California Apprenticeship Council ("CAC") jointly submit this status report pursuant to the administrative law judge's February 19, 2004 order staying the above proceedings. In the second forty-five days of the stay, the parties have made substantial progress in resolving this case.

On May 17, 2004, CAC informed OATELS that the Council has begun rule-making to resolve the need criteria issue, one of the disputed issues here. OATELS believes that, although some further negotiation is still needed, adoption of CAC's proposed rule would be a major step towards settlement of this case. Because California law requires a 45-day notice-and-comment

period before regulations can be adopted and CAC's next meeting is from July 22-23, the Council cannot vote on the regulation before then.

The parties propose to submit another status report on June 21 to say whether a hearing is still necessary. Although the parties should be able to report then on whether all the issues have been resolved in principle, any settlement will not be complete unless and until CAC adopts the proposed rule.

Respectfully submitted,

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