Updated information for Washington State Employers

If you have not received information from Rain City CPA prior to this, please reach out to us.

Washington State Unemployment – Employment Security Department

https://www.esd.wa.gov/

With regard to paying quarterly state unemployment taxes into the benefit fund:

If a business must temporarily shut down due to a possible COVID-19 contamination or quarantine at the worksite, the business may request a relief of benefit charges due to a business closure which is directly related to possible contamination at the business site. This will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

There is currently no change to previously released information regarding action taken by and programs available at the Washington Employment Security Department.

Washington State Workers Compensation – Labor & Industries Department

https://www.lni.wa.gov/

With regard to paying quarterly state L&I remittances:

The Washington Department of Labor & Industries offers an employer assistance program for employers who cannot pay their quarterly workers' compensation premiums. This program is only available to businesses who have been timely filers/payers.

The program allows a business to ask to be put on a 90-day payment plan during which no penalties or interest will be levied against the business.

Should a business find itself in the situation of being unable to pay its remittances, it should take the following steps in order to be placed on the program.

• There is no web application for this program. Contact the Labor & Industries account manager assigned to the business via phone or e-mail in order to be assigned to the relief program.

This contact information can be found on the businesses most recent quarterly Labor & Industries tax filing.

Alternatively, the contact information can be found by searching for the business using the tool available at https://secure.lni.wa.gov/verify/. Using the drop down box labeled "Search by" choose "WA UBI No." (See examples below)

- After selecting the business, open the information panel titled "Workers' Comp."
 The L&I account contact name and telephone number will be listed at the bottom.
- Follow the instructions given by the the account manager upon their assesment of the businesses qualification for a tax payment program.

Example of a Washington State Department of Labor & Industries Quarterly Filing

Washington State Department of Labor & Industries			Submit Date: 1/30/2020 Confirmation Number:		
Quarterly	Report				
4th Quarter: October 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019				Due Date: 1/31/2020	
SEATTLE, WA	A 98107		WA UBI: L&I Account ID: Phone Number:		
Account Mana					
Worker Repo	orting				
Class Code	Nature of Work	Gross Payroll (nearest \$)	Worker Hours (or units)	Rate Per Hour	Amount Owed
			To	otal of Premiu	ms
				Grand To	
Prepare	r's Information				
Preparer:					
DayTime					
Email:					
Paymen	t Information				
Method o	of Payment:				
Bank rout	ting information:				
Bank acco	ount information:				
	ount Type:				
Payment					
Schedule	d Payment Date:				

If Using the L&I Verify Portal to Identify a Business L&I Account Manager



