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*****PRESS RELEASE****

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Re: People v. Alberto Rodriguez, Maria Rodriguez and Byron Duran

Santa Barbara County District Attorney Joyce E. Dudley announced today the arrest of local business owner Alberto "Al" Rodriguez, his wife Maria Rodriguez, and Byron Duran. Rodriguez and his wife own United Seal Coating, also known as United Sealcoating and Slurry Seal, Inc., United Paving, and Santa Barbara Paving. Duran is a long-time employee of the company. The three suspects were arrested by detectives from the California Department of Insurance along with members of local law enforcement on January 14, 2015. The arrest of the three suspects was the result of an investigation by the California Department of Insurance Fraud Division, the Santa Barbara County District Attorney's Office, the Franchise Tax Board, the Employment Development Department, and the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement. The complaint filed by the District Attorney's Office alleges 42 felony counts which include violations of the California Unemployment Insurance Code, Workers' Compensation Premium Fraud, Fraudulent Denial of Workers' Compensation Benefits, and Wage Theft. All three suspects are scheduled to appear for an arraignment in Department 8 of the Santa Barbara Superior Court on January 30, 2015.

If you were employed by United Seal Coating, United Seal Coating and Slurry Seal, Inc., Santa Barbara Paving, or United Paving within the past four years and believe you were a victim of wage theft or denied Workers' Compensation Benefits, you are encouraged to contact the Santa Barbara County District Attorney's Office at 805-568-2300.

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SANTA BARBARA COUNTY SHERIFF



RODRIGUEZ, ALBERTO BOOKING #: 1012435 BOOKING DATE: 01/14/2015 DOB:8/6/1957

SEX: MALE RACE: HISPANIC EYE:BLUE HAIR: BLONDE HEIGHT: 58 WEIGHT: 170

CHARGES:

1472724 FELONY UNFILED TAX



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RODRIGUEZ, MARIA ISABEL BOOKING #: 1012436 BOOKING DATE: 01/14/2015 DOB:7/5/1956 SEX:FEMALE RACE: ASIAN EYE: BROWN HAIR: BROWN HEIGHT: 5 6 WEIGHT: 125

CHARGES: 1472724 FELONY WORKERS COMP



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DATE OF PHOTO: 01/14/2015

NAME: DURAN, BYRON BOOKING #: 1012441 BOOKING DATE: 01/14/2015 DOB:7/7/1968

SEX:MALE RACE: HISPANIC EYE: BROWN HAIR: BLACK HEIGHT: 5.5 WEIGHT: 160

CHARGES:

1472724 INSURANCE FRAUD

