BEFORE THE HEARING EXAMINER CITY OF SEATTLE

In the matter the Appeal of:

BAJA CONCRETE USA CORP.,
ROBERTO CONTRERAS, NEWWAY
FORMING INC., and ANTONIO
MACHADO

From a Final Order of the Decision issued by the Director, Seattle Office of Labor
Standards

Hearing Examiner File:

No: LS-21-002
LS-21-003
LS-21-004

ANTONIO MACHADO'S DECLARATION

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I, Antonio Machado, declare as follows:

- 1. I am one of the appellants in this action. I am over 18 years of age, am competent to make this declaration, and submit this declaration based upon my personal knowledge.
- 2. I am an employee of Newway Forming, Inc. During most of the relevant time periods I was employed by Newway as a Superintendent at the 1120 Denny Way worksite in Seattle.
- 3. I never worked at either the Fairview or Terry Avenue worksites, nor did I have a role in those projects.
- 4. During the time periods at issue in this appeal, my salary and benefits were all paid by Newway and my first line supervisor was the project manager of Newway, Tom Grant.
- 5. My job at Newway as a superintendant did not involve hiring, firing, or disciplining anyone. I also did not have a role in determining anyone's pay, in submitting

information to payroll, or processing payroll or deductions. I also did not have any role in determining any employment policies or procedures. Thus, I was never involved directly or behind the scenes in any decisions regarding hiring, firing, discipline, or pay.

- 6. I never set break times for any employees, nor did I ever tell anyone not to take a break or to work through a break.
- 7. I did not know when any of the workers paid by Baja Concrete were out of work sick. They did not report this to me, nor did anyone else report to me when any of these workers were out sick.
- 8. I do not know what Roberto Soto Contreras told any of the Baja workers regarding their pay as I was not there for any such comment, but I did not have any arrangement of any kind with Roberto or anyone else to receive any portion of what any workers were paid. I do not recall any times that I had any interaction with Roberto off the worksite. Almost all the interactions I can recall with Roberto were saying "Hello" or something to that effect when I would cross him on site. And once Roberto did pass along repayment money from Carlos Ibarra to me for a loan I made to Carlos, which is attached as **Exhibit 1**. Further, I do not know what any of the workers on Baja's payroll were making and I certainly never made any agreement with anyone to receive any portion of what any workers were making. I also never indicated or suggested that I would accept payment under any such agreement.
- 9. I never threatened to report anyone I worked with to ICE for any reason. And I did not do so in reference to anyone asking about their pay, their sick leave, their breaks, or anything else. I have never overheard any conversations between Roberto Soto Contreras and any workers on site regarding pay or reporting anyone to ICE.
- 10. As I testified in my deposition, my role at the job site was communicating the schedule for the project in the morning to three Newway foreman and communicating any changes in schedule that occurred as needed. Other than that, I walked around the job

site monitoring safety and quality control concerns, which I would then communicate to the foremen as needed or potentially our onsite safety person.

- 11. I never gave Roberto Soto Contreras any orders or directions. I did not communicate with Roberto about anything going on at the worksite, including about any of the workers paid by Baja. I also never had any conversations with Roberto about firing anyone, including any of the workers paid by Baja, and I never once communicated with Roberto regarding whether any additional workers were needed. I did not even know how many workers Baja had on site.
- 12. I never told any of the workers on Baja's payroll to mark their employer as Newway on any sign-in sheets for safety meetings, or on any other paperwork.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

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EXHIBIT 1

BAJA CONCRETE USA CORP

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PAY TO THE ORDER OF

Antonio Machado

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3825 164th ST SW Lynnwood WA 98087

MEMO Receipts Pending

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

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TOTAL PAY:

\$4,878.00

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1	DECLARATION OF SERVICE
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21	On today's date.
22	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the
23	foregoing is true and correct to the best of my belief.
24	Signed and DATED this 17th day of August 2022 in Seattle, Washington.
25	s/ Elena Maltos
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