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APRIL MEETING

DATE:

April 10, 1984

PLACE:

Stevens Steak House 5332 Stevens Place

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COST:

\$ 13.00, including tip!

RESERVATION:

Leroy Crandall & Associates (213) 413-3550, Ext. 50; Jan

TIME:

5:30 Social Hour

6:30 Dinner

7:30 AEG Business

8:00 Speaker

9:00 Section Affairs (if scheduled)

SPEAKER:

David H. Randell, Project Geologist

Earth Technology Corporation, Long Beach, CA.

TOPIC:

Geology of the City of Long Beach; a joint study by seven scientists, with Dave Randell as principal author, the paper describes the interaction of man's activities in a complex geological environment characterized by wide ranging stratigraphic and structural problems.

The most important geologic consideration affecting land use in the City is seismicity and related hazards of fault displacement, ground shaking and liquefaction. The NW-trending Newport-Inglewood structural zone bisects the City and was responsible for the 1933 Long Beach earthquake (M=6.3). The Field Act and the Riley Act were passed following this event. The former required seismic design of school buildings; the latter required seismic design of critical structures.

Oil production has been both boon and bane to the City. Oil revenues enabled the Port of Long Beach to expand, but pumping caused approximately 29 feet of subsidence and, before regulation, some near-surface ground water contamination.

STICK IT TO YOU-TIVENESS

The First District Court of Appeal in San Francisco has found that a real estate broker has "an affirmative duty to conduct a reasonably competent and diligent inspection of the residential property listed for sale and to disclose to prospective purchasers all facts materially affecting the value or desireability of the property that such an investigation would reveal". The finding of the Court stems from a case involving soil slippage and fill settlement in Contra Costa County. The justices noted an analogy between the situation involving the duty of brokers and certain fraud cases that required a broker to disclose defects he knows of but which are "unknown and unobservable by the buyer".

Well, good buddies, there appears to be a clear analogy with respect to the practice of engineering geology. Certainly, there will be increasing pressure upon geologist to identify and describe those actual and potential defects of real estate.

JOHN WOLFE (State Board of Registration) says his legal advisors are of the opinion that written reports may be required, even if not specified. Geologists might be charged with negligence or incompetence if their report is oral as opposed to written.

JEFF HOLT just called to advise that your local (Section) dues must be paid and any changes of address received by meeting time (April 10, 1984) or you will be dropped from the mailing list. Dues should be paid to Gary Guacci at LeRoy Crandall & Associates, 711 Alvarado, Los Angeles, CA 90026.

AEG SPRING FIELD TRIP REGISTRATION

The 1984 AEG Spring Field Trip will be held on Saturday, June 2, from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. The trip will start from Santa Monica and will proceed by bus. There will be adequate, free parking, but early sign-up is very important so that scheduling can be completed. We will visit the Malibu Area; including Big Rock Landslide, Rambla Pacifico Landslide, Malibu Road and Las Flores Beach.

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If you have questions contact Bob Hollingsworth, Field Trip Chairman; 980-0825.

BOARD REVIEW PROCEDURES OF COMPLAINTS

By James Slosson, Ph.D.

- 1. Upon receipt of a complaint, the accused licensee will be notified immediately of the complaint and allowed thirty (30) days to submit all and any information he/she deems necessary for a fair and thorough review.
- 2. All review of complaints will be done in an orderly manner, and should, within six (6) months, be either:
 - a. sent to the Attorney General's office for action, or
 - b. the accused notified that it has been determined there is no justification for complaint.
- 3. Thirty (30) days after notification of the accused, the complaint and all data will be delivered to the first of three (3) reviewers. (Reviewers shall be registered professional geologists or geophysicists.)
- 4. Each of the three (3) reviewers should submit comments within thirty (30) days after receipt of data.

- 5. If two (2) or three (3) of the reviewers believe action by the state is warranted, the file will be transmitted to the Attorney General's office for review and action taken as deemed appropriate.
- 6. If two (2) or three (3) of the reviewers determine that there is no cause for action, the accused and the complainant will be so notified and the records purged.
- 7. The reviewers will be notified of the progress and action(s).
- 8. As per state administration policy, the board members shall not be informed of the name of the accused or any details of the case until action has been taken by the administrative law judge at the request of the Attorney General's office.
- 9. Review procedure compliance will be the responsibility of the Executive Secretary and the non-board members of the Professional Affairs Committee.

One of the ladies in the building just came in to use the Xerox machine and exchange a few pleasantries. So, I asked her, "how's every little thing"? to which she smiled and replied "not small enough at the right time."

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