

February 3, 2010

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Fraudulent Fire Inspector

Ruben Gamboa Jr.



This individual was charged with the following misdemeanors within the City of Stockton Fire jurisdiction: 538(d) PC, 7592.3 BP, 17500 BP

He was allowed to plead to the following by the San Joaquin County District Attorney. A one-year Plea in Abeyance (State Wide) to one count of Section 538D (misrepresentation), 100 hours of Community Service and to be the qualifier on his own C-16 license by February 19, 2010. This individual is not to be working under anyone else's license or with the same practices described below.

The Stockton Fire Department asks that everyone keep an eye out for any activity which may include **Ruben Gamboa Jr.** and contact the Fire Department at the telephone number below should you cross paths with him in the next year. He has previously worked in the Los Angeles area. He has worked under the following business names "Fire Systems Inspection of USA", "Fire Protection Safety Service", and "NorCal Fire & Safety, Fire Protection Safety Service".

Individuals like Mr. Gamboa typically misrepresent themselves to be a member of a city, county or state agency to gain access to a business to "inspect". They get a signature from an employee to prove that they were actually there. Within 2-3 weeks of the "inspection" the business receives a bill, usually for a sum just under \$500.00 for services.

Should you hear of any activity involving this individual or others engaging in the same type of conduct please contact:

Division Chief / Fire Marshal Matt Duaine
Stockton Fire Dept. (209) 937-8566