STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIES
Division of Occupational Safety and Health
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November 21, 2025

ROTSCHY LLC
7408 Ne 113th Cir
Vancouver, WA 98662

Inspection: 317986373
UBI: 601099290
Region: 04 – Safety
Inspector ID: C1900
Reference: 203416999

Enclosed are the results of the safety and health inspection of your workplace. This packet contains:

- **Citation Invoice** – the total assessed penalty is $170,136.00.
- **Citation and Notice of Assessment** –Washington Administrative Code (WAC) Violations.
- **Employer Appeal Rights** – You have 15 working days to appeal this citation.

You must immediately post this Citation and Notice of Assessment at or near where the violation(s) occurred, where employees can easily find and read it, or where employees normally receive posted information. All postings must remain until you have corrected all violations, or for seven working days, whichever is longer. "Working day" means a calendar day, except Saturdays, Sundays and all legal state holidays.

Because this inspection is public information, the result will be posted by the Department of Labor & Industries. You may view it at **https://secure.lni.wa.gov/verify**.

**Please visit https://www.lni.wa.gov/agency/public-disclosure/ if you would like to request a copy of the inspection file. Your choices are:**

- Safety & Health Citation Only
- Safety & Health Brief Inspector Summary Report (short description the inspector writes to summarize the reason for the inspection only – not complete file)
- Safety & Health Citation and Complete Inspection File (The complete legal file which contains the detailed information regarding the inspector's findings, the citation, and calculation of any penalty. This will be especially helpful if you are contemplating filing an appeal.)

**If you have questions, call the compliance supervisor, Allen Brannan, at (360) 896-2387.**

Respectfully,

L&I Assistant Director
Division of Occupational Safety & Health
Enclosure(s)

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# Invoice

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| DBA Name: | ROTSCHY LLC | Closing Conference: | November 18, 2025 |
| Inspection Site: | 1920 Lewis River Road, Woodland, WA 98674 | Inspector ID: | C1900 |

## Summary of Assessed Penalties Due

The Citation and Notice of Assessment includes a full description of each violation.

| Violation Item | Violation Type | WAC | Abatement Due Date | Penalty Amount |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1-1 | Willful Serious | WAC 296-155-77100(2)(k) | Corrected | $67,320.00 |
| 1-2 | Willful Serious | WAC 296-155-655(12)(a) | Not Applicable | $67,320.00 |
| 2-1 | Repeat Serious | WAC 296-155-657(1)(a) | Not Applicable | $13,464.00 |
| 2-2 | Repeat Serious | WAC 296-155-655(11)(b) | Not Applicable | $13,464.00 |
| 3-1-A | Serious | WAC 296-155-655(5) | Not Applicable | $6,732.00 |
| 3-1-B | Serious | WAC 296-155-77100(3)(d) | Not Applicable | $0.00 |
| 3-2 | Serious | WAC 296-876-40030(1) | Not Applicable | $1,836.00 |
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| **Total Penalty Due** | | | | $170,136.00 |

## PAYMENT INFORMATION

**Payment is due 15 *working days from receipt of this citation (unless appealed).**

Pay L&I the amount due on this invoice by scanning the QR code listed below, or by visiting www.lni.wa.gov/agency/pay-a-balance-due/

You may also mail a check made payable to the Department of Labor and Industries.
Write Inspection number 317986373 on the check and mail to:

**Attn: DOSH Cashier**
**Department of Labor and Industries**
**PO Box 44835**
**Olympia, WA 98504-4835**
Or deliver to: **Any L&I office**

*Working day" means a calendar day, except Saturdays, Sundays, and all legal state holidays.

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# Citation and Notice of Assessment
# Citación por Infracción y Multa Civil
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**Violation 1 Item 1** Violation Type: Willful Serious
WAC 296-155-77100(2)(k)

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The employer did not ensure that modifications were not made which affect the capacity or safe operation of the equipment without the manufacturer's or a qualified engineer's written approval.

It was determined during the inspection that at least two (2) quick coupler attachments for excavators onsite were modified by removing the safety locks that secure attachments in place while the equipment is in use.

The following quick couplers were identified onsite with missing safety locks:
1. Wedgelock I - Lock Quick Coupler / Serial #290115-1.
2. Paladin Quick Coupler / Attached to Kobelco SK210 Excavator with equipment # 11-222.

Exposure to hazards of this nature can lead to serious injuries involving permanent disability, death, or chronic irreversible illness.

**This violation was corrected during the inspection.**

**Assessed penalty: $67,320.00**

**Violation 1 Item 2** Violation Type: Willful Serious
WAC 296-155-655(12)(a)

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The employer did not ensure a walkway was provided for employees to cross over excavations 4 feet or greater in depth.

When employees are not provided walkways over excavations they are exposed to serious fall hazards. It was determined in this inspection that a fall hazard existed in four (4) instances:
1. When one employee stepped from the trench wall to the manhole over an excavation that was measured to be at least 10 feet in depth.
2. When one employee jumped across an excavation that was at least 9 feet in depth up to 20 times.
3. When one employee jumped across an excavation that was at least 9 feet in depth one time.
4. When one employee stepped from the trench wall to the manhole over an excavation that was measured to be at least 10 feet in depth.

Exposure to hazards of this nature can lead to serious injuries involving permanent disability, death, or chronic irreversible illness.

**Situation not believed to exist any longer.**
**However, if this violation is identified again during future inspections, it may result in repeat or failure to abate violations which may include penalties.**
**Assessed penalty: $67,320.00**

**Violation 2 Item 1** Violation Type: Repeat Serious
WAC 296-155-657(1)(a)

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The employer did not ensure that each employee in an excavation over 4 feet in depth was protected from cave-ins by an adequate protective system as required by this standard.

Three (3) employees were documented being exposed to a serious engulfment hazard while working in an excavation, over 9 feet deep, without the use of cave in protection in the following instances:

1. One employee was reaching outside of the trench box with his shoulders and head exposed at least 2ft outside of cave in protection while placing grout around the pipe for the manhole for 10 minutes. The area of the trench where the worker was exposed was measured to be at least 10 feet in depth.

2. One employee was standing outside of the trench box for at least ten seconds in an unprotected area of the trench that was measured to be at least 9 feet in depth.

3. One employee was working inside of the concrete manhole that is not rated for cave in protection while placing a short piece connection for at least 2 minutes in an unprotected area of the trench that was measured to be at least 10 feet in depth.

Exposure to hazards of this nature can lead to serious injuries involving permanent disability, death, or chronic irreversible illness.

The violation above is cited as a repeat of 1-3, cited on Citation and Notice 317984323 issued on 3/27/2025.

**Situation not believed to exist any longer.**
**However, if this violation is identified again during future inspections, it may result in repeat or failure to abate violations which may include penalties.**
**Assessed penalty: $13,464.00**

**Violation 2 Item 2** Violation Type: Repeat Serious
WAC 296-155-655(11)(b)

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The employer did not ensure that a competent person remove exposed employees from hazardous areas where evidence of a situation that could result in a possible cave-in, or other hazardous condition exists as required by this standard.

It was determined during the inspection that the competent person did not remove himself and three (3) other workers from a hazardous area where evidence of a situation that could result in a possible cave-in or where other hazardous conditions existed in the following instances:

1. The competent person for the trench entered a manhole within the trench without establishing cave in protection or backfilling adequately to prevent lateral shift.
2. The competent person stood outside of the trench box with the IW as he lay injured. The competent person exposed himself to an engulfment hazard while being in the unprotected part of the trench that was measured to be over 9ft in height.
3. The competent person stepped over an excavation to access the manhole.
4. The competent person observed employee, Wyatt Krumbach enter a manhole within the trench without establishing cave in protection or backfilling adequately to prevent lateral shift.
5. The competent person allowed Wyatt Krumbach to step over an excavation to access the manhole.
6. The competent person allowed the injured worker to reach outside of the excavations trench box and grout around pipe for a manhole.
7. The competent person observed top hand, Lewis Korpela cross over an excavation at least 10 times without consequence.

Exposure to hazards of this nature can lead to serious injuries involving permanent disability, death, or chronic irreversible illness.

> The violation above is cited as a repeat of 1-2, cited on Citation and Notice 317984323 issued on 3/27/2025.

**Situation not believed to exist any longer.**
**However, if this violation is identified again during future inspections, it may result in repeat or failure to abate violations which may include penalties.**

**Assessed penalty: $13,464.00**

**Violation 3 Item 1 A**
WAC 296-155-655(5)

Violation Type: Serious

The employer did not ensure that all persons must keep away from the range of the shovel's swing and must not be permitted to stand back of the shovel or in line with the swing of the dipper during operation or moving of shovel.

One (1) employee was documented, in a trench box, working directly under the bucket of the excavator bucket that was carrying gravel.

Exposure to hazards of this nature can lead to serious injuries involving permanent disability, death, or chronic irreversible illness.

**Situation not believed to exist any longer.**
**However, if this violation is identified again during future inspections, it may result in repeat or failure to abate violations which may include penalties.**
**Assessed penalty: $6,732.00**

**Violation 3 Item 1 B** Violation Type: Serious
WAC 296-155-77100(3)(d)

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The employer did not ensure that all persons must keep away from the range of the shovel's swing and must not be permitted to stand back of the shovel or in line with the swing of the dipper during operation or moving of shovel.

One (1) employee was documented, in a trench box, working in close proximity of the excavator bucket while it was lowered into the trench box to dump gravel.

The violations above have been grouped because they involve similar or related hazards that may increase the potential for illness or injury resulting from an exposure or accident. A single penalty is applied to the first item in the group.

**Situation not believed to exist any longer.**
**However, if this violation is identified again during future inspections, it may result in repeat or failure to abate violations which may include penalties.**
**Assessed penalty: $0.00**

**Violation 3 Item 2** Violation Type: Serious
WAC 296-876-40030(1)

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The employer did not ensure a ladder used to access an upper level had the side rails extended at least 3 feet about the landing surface if the ladder permits.

One employee used a ladder to egress from a trench that was measured to be deeper than nine (9) feet, without extending the ladder three (3) feet above the upper landing surface as required by the standard.

Exposure to hazards of this nature could result in injuries or reversible illness resulting in hospitalization, or disability of a limited nature.

**Situation not believed to exist any longer.**
**However, if this violation is identified again during future inspections, it may result in repeat or failure to abate violations which may include penalties.**
**Assessed penalty: $1,836.00**

Message

This employer has been identified as a Severe Violator Enforcement case under the Washington State Department of Labor & Industries Division of Occupational Safety & Health's (DOSH), Severe Violator Enforcement Program (SVEP). Your company will be subject to follow-up inspections to determine if the conditions cited here still exist in the future. Follow-up inspections of this company will continue at a heightened level until the Department is satisfied that the conditions no longer exist.

The following violations qualify this employer for SVEP:

Willful Serious:
1-1 - 296-155-77100(2)(k) - Making modifications to equipment affecting safe operation
1-2 - 296-155-655(12)(a) - Crossing over an excavation without a walkway

Repeat Serious:
2-1 - 296-155-657(1)(a) - No cave in protection
2-2 - 296-155-655(11)(b) - CP did not remove himself and employees from hazard

This case has been sent to the Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA). For further information, please refer to DOSH Directive 2.68 and OSHA Instruction CPL 02-00-169.

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# Appeal Rights
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## For Employers

If you are cited for a violation of Occupational Safety and/or Health rules, you have the right to appeal the citation. **You have 15 working days from the date you receive this citation to appeal.** (RCW 49.17.140(1)) "Working day" means a calendar day, except Saturdays, Sundays and all legal state holidays. Your appeal must be in writing. It may be mailed, faxed, personally delivered or electronically filed. If you electronically file, the Department will send an automated acknowledgement that the appeal was received**. If you do not receive acknowledgement, please ensure you have addressed it to the correct email.** You can also contact the Appeals Program at the number listed below.

For violations classified as serious, willful, repeat serious, or failure to abate serious, an employer must correct the violations by the date listed on the Citation and Notice / Employer's Certification of Abatement form unless a stay of abatement date is requested in the appeal as described on this page. A stay of abatement date means the employer's requirement to abate or correct the hazard is put on hold until the appeal is resolved. All general and repeat general violations under appeal automatically have stay of abatement dates until a final order on those violations has been issued. If you only need an extension of an abatement date, please see the above section entitled, **"If you are unable to fix the hazard(s) by the abatement due date(s)".**

**Your appeal must include:**

- Business name, address, telephone number, and contact information for the employer's representative, if any, such as an attorney or interpreter.
- Inspection Number (You will find this nine-digit number in the top right corner of this page.)
- Statement explaining:
  1. What you believe is wrong with the citation and any related facts.
  2. What you believe should be changed, and why.
  3. What relief you are seeking and why.
  4. Signature and Date.

**If you are requesting a stay of abatement date for serious, willful, repeat serious or failure to abate serious, you must also include:**

- Each violation and item number for which a stay of abatement date is requested; and
- The reason for the stay of abatement date request.

Note: Employees and/or employee representatives may elect to participate in appeal hearings.

## Posting requirement:

You must post your appeal documents (along with this citation packet) until the appeal is resolved.
You must also post all other documents related to this appeal.

## For Employees or Their Representatives

If your employer is cited, you may only appeal the abatement due date(s).

**Your appeal must include:**

- Your name, address, telephone number, and the same information for anyone who is representing you, if any.
- Inspection number.
- Statement explaining why the abatement due date should be changed.

| Send all Appeals to: | Scan the QR Code below to: | |
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| **Assistant Director for DOSH Services**<br>**Attn: DOSH Appeals**<br>**PO Box 44604**<br>**Olympia, WA 98504-4604**<br>Electronically to: DOSHAppeals@Lni.wa.gov<br>Fax to: **(360) 902-5581** or deliver to: **Any L&I office** | Complete the WISHA Citation & Notice Appeal Form, OR visit<br><br>www.Lni.wa.gov/safety-health/safety-rules/safety-citation-appeals | |

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