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Executive Committee Elected for 2015

At the October 3, 2014 Board of Directors meeting, elections were held for the 2015 [Executive Committee](#) positions of President, Vice President, and seats with terms expiring on December 31, 2014.

Congratulations to our 2015 Executive Committee members, and Thank You to our outgoing members!

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The Annual Public Entity Membership Meeting is coming up in November. This year there will be two opportunities to participate: [Thursday, November 6, 2014](#) at the EIA offices in Folsom, and [Friday November 7, 2014](#) at the Ontario Airport Hotel in Ontario. The purpose of these meetings is to keep members apprised of the status of EIA programs and services and to answer questions. All public entity members are encouraged to attend either the Northern or Southern California meeting, and the EIA will reimburse expenses for up to 3 attendees per Public Entity member.

Contact [Kathleen Barnes](#) for more information, or see the EIA Calendar to register for the [Northern](#) or [Southern](#) California meeting.

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2014/15 PWC and EWC Excess Policies

The 2014/15 PWC and EWC program excess policies are now posted to the Members' Area of the [EIA website](#). If you have any questions regarding the PWC and EWC excess policies or how to access to them, please contact [Max Larkin](#).

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Meetings

[Legislative Committee Meeting, Oct. 9, 2014](#)

[Primary Workers' Compensation Committee Meeting, Nov. 5, 2014](#)

[Executive Committee Meeting, Nov. 20, 2014](#)

Join Jack Blyskal, EIA Chief Claims Officer, for an [Innovative Perspective on Claim Resolution](#). This webinar will cover the importance of early differentiation of cases which should settle, from cases which may need to go to trial to resolve. Examples of indicators and issues for both classifications will be discussed. Recognizing this difference early in the life of a claim may save hundreds of thousands of dollars in defense costs.

For more information on this, and [other upcoming webinars](#), such as the 5-part series: Introduction to the Americans with Disabilities Act, contact [Maria Blanco](#).

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Inmates and Your Injury & Illness Prevention Program

Are you using inmate labor on work projects such as construction and/or demolition? If the answer is yes, then the next question is: are the inmates included in your [Injury & Illness Prevention Program \(IIPP\)](#)? For all (safety) intents and purposes, an inmate working on behalf of the public entity should be treated the same as a field employee. They should be properly trained in safe practices and issued appropriate protective equipment. Additionally, they should be under proper supervision (someone knowledgeable of the work performed and safe practices) not just under guard. If you're not sure or just have questions, give Juan Cajandig, Senior Loss Prevention Specialist a call, (916) 850-7300 or send him an [email](#).

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