ESTABLISHING A NEW BUSINESS

(A guide to frequently requested contacts)

BUSINESS LICENSE: Contact South San Francisco Finance Department 877-8505 or the Planning Division 877-8535.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME: If a name has been invented for the business you must register it with the County Clerk, 555 County Center, Special Services, Redwood City, 94063 (650) 363-4712.

RESALE LICENSE: California State Board of Equalization, 121 Spear Street, Suite 460, San Francisco, 94105-1584 (415) 356-6600

HIRING EMPLOYEES: Employment Development Department, Job Services Office, 550 Quarry Road, San Carlos, 94070 (650) 737-2605.

FOOD SALES: (markets, restaurants, catering trucks, etc.) Environmental Health Services, 455 County Center, 4th floor, Redwood City, 94063 (650) 363-4305.

IMPORT-EXPORT: U.S. Commercial Service (415) 705-2300 or U.S. Customs Office (415) 744-7741 or Bureau of Export Administration (408) 271-7300 ext. #13.

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE: Federal Tax Information (800) 829-1040 or (510) 839-5711.

STATE FRANCHISE TAX BOARD: Bank and Corporation Tax Information (800) 852-5711

GENERAL ADVICE: U.S. Small Business Administration, 211 Main Street, San Francisco, (415) 744-6820. State Department of Trade and Commerce Agency (916) 322-5665. State Office of Small Business (916) 322-5060.

EMPLOYER TAX INFORMATION: San Mateo Employment Tax District, 951 Mariners Island Blvd., #310, San Mateo, (650) 358-4101.

SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATES TELEPHONE HOTLINE: (800) 303-6600.

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: 213 Linden Avenue 588-1911.

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