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## **BUILDING UPDATE – 450 N Street Building Leak – 17th Floor**

At approximately 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 22, 2015, a water leak was discovered above the drinking fountain outside the men's restroom on the 17th floor of the Board of Equalization (BOE) Headquarters (HQ) building at 450 N Street.

An initial assessment by the Department of General Services (DGS) has determined that the source of the leak is a cracked drain pipe leading away from break room 1814, located on the north side of the building on the 18th floor. This leak caused water to stain ceiling tiles above the drinking fountain, as well as drip down to the surrounding carpet and wall areas. Further investigation and inspection by DGS has resulted in the need to close the men's restrooms on the 17th and 18th floors shutting off the water to break room 1814 and temporarily placing the sink out-of-service. At this time staff should not use the men's restrooms on the 17th and 18th floors.

BOE's industrial hygiene consultant, Hygiene Technologies International Inc. (HTI), will monitor all work performed by DGS using containment protocols. At this time DGS is not able to determine when they will finish the repairs. Additional updates will be provided as we learn more.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

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