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Subject: Thermoplastic Striping Contracts

Due to tight supplies and significant price increases of thermoplastic materials, the Department is taking the following actions on Construction contracts:

- For construction contracts with thermoplastic striping bid prior to April 2010 (the March 2010 Letting and earlier), the Department will consider relief for the striping contractor in the form of deleting the thermoplastic from the contract and completing the contract with paint striping only. This consideration will be at the request of the prime contractor where the residual thermoplastic dollars are \$25,000 or greater. Contract time will not be adjusted for this change on these active contracts. The final paint striping should be applied 30 days after placement of the friction course.
- For construction contracts Letting in April 2011 and beyond with contract time in excess of one year, the Department will remove thermoplastic pavement markings from the contract. Design will remove the thermoplastic pay items on these contracts before the letting with no action needed from Construction. The decision to remove thermoplastic on these longer duration contracts will be revisited by the Chief Engineer every six months until thermoplastic prices stabilize.

Please ensure this direction is provided to and followed by all In-House and Consultant Construction Staff.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks.

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Subject: Thermoplastic Striping Contracts

Pavement marking contractors have requested that the Department implement adjustments to existing and future contracts to address reported "thermoplastic shortage and price increases." The Department was informed by the thermoplastic industry in early 2010 that there was a shortage of raw materials used to produce thermoplastic pavement markings that would result in an increase in prices.

For construction projects with thermoplastic striping bid prior to April 2010, the Department will consider relief for the striping contractor in the form of deleting the thermoplastic from the contract and completing the project with paint striping only. This consideration will be at the request of the prime contractor where the residual thermoplastic dollars are \$25,000 or greater. This action is being offered during these difficult economic times due to tight supplies and significant price increases experienced for thermoplastic materials. This is a result of the poor harvest of crops (natural event) necessary for the production of rosin ester used in the production of thermoplastic. Pavement marking contractors will be prohibited from being allowed to rebid that same work at a future date, as a prime or sub, whether on a construction contract or a maintenance contract containing that same work.

Similarly, for maintenance contracts, the Department will consider a termination for convenience on thermoplastic striping contracts bid prior to April 2010. Pavement marking contractors will be prohibited from being allowed to rebid that same work at a future date, as a prime or sub, whether on a construction contract or a maintenance contract containing that same work.

For future contracts, the Department will remove thermoplastic pavement markings from construction contracts with a duration longer than one year. For these contracts, all (permanent marking) thermoplastic would be installed during the maintenance phase. Future maintenance contracts would have an optional renewal period of one year. These decisions would be revisited every six months until prices stabilize.

The above instructions do not apply to maintenance performance type contracts.

Please pass this email on to all affected pavement marking contractors. Thank you.

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