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TO: DISTRICT CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERS
DISTRICT MATERIALS AND RESEARCH ENGINEERS

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SUBJECT: END OF ASPHALT LOAD SEGREGATION CONCERNS

The Department has seen recent significant increases in the frequency and magnitude of end of load segregation of asphalt on its ongoing construction projects. This issue is not new and has been discussed repeatedly by the Department at various industry forums such as the FTBA Construction Conference and the ACAF Asphalt Conference. Additionally, ACAF has been clear with its members about the need for their industry to correct this problem.

This continuing and increasing problem of end of load segregation demonstrates to the Department a disregard for specifications and lack of attention to quality workmanship – both issues which will affect the Contractor's Past Performance Rating.

This memorandum is to inform industry that the Department will not tolerate this continued lack of regard for quality and will be enforcing the contract requirements regarding texture of finished surface of paving layers to ensure they are free of segregation. Areas found to be segregated will be required to be removed and replaced per contract specifications. Department representatives will be vigilant on this issue and bring it to the attention of the contractor for immediate action prior to asphalt operations being allowed to continue.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact David Sadler at 850-414-5203 or Tim Ruelke at 352-955-6620.

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