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SUBJECT: English Projects with Metric Specifications - July 1999 Letting

Beginning with the July 1999 letting, all projects including projects based on the English system, will be let using the 1999 Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction (Metric system). The 1991 Standard Specifications (English system) will no longer be supported by the State Specifications Office. However, all English projects should continue to use English pay items, and the English 1994 Roadway and Traffic Design Standards and applicable updates. This information was presented at the recent Design Update Training sessions held in January.

Please insure all Key Sheets on English projects let beginning with the July 1999 letting are updated to reference the proper date (1999) of governing specifications.

Also, please insure that English projects contain all applicable Interim Indexes. Interim Index 199 has recently been added. Interim Index 199 provides corrections to requirements for geotextile fabrics. It is critical that this Interim Index be included on all plans containing retaining wall systems.

If you have any questions regarding the use of the 1999 Standard Specifications on English projects, please contact your District Specifications Engineer, or the State Specifications Office, 850-414-4110, Suncom 994-4110. If you have other questions regarding the above, please contact Jim Mills of this office, 850-414-4318, Suncom 994-4318.