**Special Provisions**

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**SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

1. General.

Perform the work under this construction contract for Project 6188-01-71, T Rosendale, Olden Road, Fond du Lac River Bridge, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin as the plans show and execute the work as specified in the State of Wisconsin, Department of Transportation, Standard Specifications for Highway and Structure Construction, 2018 Edition, as published by the department, and these special provisions.

If all or a portion of the plans and special provisions are developed in the SI metric system and the schedule of prices is developed in the US standard measure system, the department will pay for the work as bid in the US standard system.

100-005 (20161130)

1. Scope of Work.

The work under this contract shall consist of grading, base aggregate dense, asphaltic surface, steel plate beam guard, structure B-20-230 and all incidental items necessary to complete the work as shown on the plans and included in the proposal and contract.

104-005 (20090901)

1. Prosecution and Progress.

Begin work within ten calendar days after the engineer issues a written notice to do so. Provide the time frame for construction of the project within the 2018 construction season to the engineer in writing within a month after executing the contract but at least 14 calendar days before the preconstruction conference. Assure that the time frame is consistent with the contract completion time. Upon approval, the engineer will issue the notice to proceed within ten calendar days before the beginning of the approved time frame.

To revise the time frame, submit a written request to the engineer at least two weeks before the beginning of the intended time frame. The engineer will approve or deny that request based on the conditions cited in the request and its effect on the department’s scheduled resources.

**Fish Spawning**

There shall be no instream disturbance of the Fond du Lac River as a result of construction activity under or for this contract, from March 1st to June 15th both dates inclusive, in order to avoid adverse impacts upon developing fish eggs and substrate for aquatic organisms.

Any change to this limitation will require submitting a written request by the contractor to the engineer, subsequent review and concurrence by the Department of Natural Resources in the request, and final approval by the engineer. The approval will include all conditions to the request as mutually agreed upon by WisDOT and DNR.

Fish (20090901)

**Northern Long-eared Bat** (*Myotis septentrionalis*)

Northern Long-eared Bats (NLEB) have the potential to inhabit the project limits because they roost in trees. Roosts may not have been observed on this project, but conditions to support the species exist. The species and all active roosts are protected by the Federal Endangered Species Act. If an individual bat or active roost is encountered during construction operations, stop work and notify the engineer and the WisDOT Regional Environmental Coordinator (REC).

In accordance to the final 4(d) rule issued for the NLEB, the department has determined that the proposed activity may affect, but will not result in prohibited take of the NLEB. The activity involves tree removal, but will not occur within 0.25 miles of a known hibernacula, nor will the activity remove a known maternity roost tree or any other tree within 150 feet of a known maternity roost tree.

If additional trees need to be removed, no Clearing shall occur without prior approval from the engineer, following coordination with the WisDOT REC. Additional tree removal beyond the area originally specified will require consultation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and may require a bat presence/absence survey. Notify the engineer if additional Clearing cannot be avoided to begin coordination with the WisDOT REC. The WisDOT REC will initiate consultation with the USFWS and determine if a survey is necessary.

Submit a schedule and description of Clearing operations with the ECIP 14 days prior to any Clearing operations. The department will determine, based on schedule and scope of work, what additional erosion control measures shall be implemented prior to the start of Clearing operations, and list those additional measures in the ECIP.

1. Traffic.

Olden Road will be closed to through traffic. A detour will not be provided during construction.

1. Utilities.

This contract does not come under the provision of Administrative Rule Trans 220.

stp-107-065 (20080501)

There are utility facilities within the construction limits of this project. Coordinate construction activities with a call to Diggers Hotline or a direct call to the utilities for the underground facilities in the area, as required per statutes. Take all required precautions when working within 18-inches of underground utilities. Use caution to maintain the integrity of underground utilities and maintain OSHA code clearances from overhead facilities at all times.

Contact each utility company listed in the plans, prior to preparing bids, to obtain current information on the status of existing and any new utility relocation work.

**CenturyLink** has buried and overhead communication facilities located along the north side of the project within right-of-way for the entire length of the project.  The buried facilities are located from the beginning of the project to 19+36 and from 20+74 to the end of the project.  The buried facilities are located approximately 13’ to 20’ left of centerline.  The overhead facilities are located between approximately 19+36, 22’ LT and 20+74, 25’ LT.

CenturyLink will place new buried facilities just inside the north right-of-way, outside the limits of construction, and will remove the overhead facilities and poles.  CenturyLink will relocate the pedestal at 19+36, LT to the north right-of-way line, outside the limits of construction.  CenturyLink will complete their relocations by May 31, 2018.

CenturyLink’s contact person is Tim Kroeze, (920) 326-2224.

1. Information to Bidders, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 Permit.

The project falls under the Maintenance Activity category (1.a.1) of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers GP-002-WI permit, which is a non-reporting permit. Comply with the requirements of the permit in addition to requirements of the contract. A copy of the permit is available from the regional office by contacting Brian Edwards, WisDOT-NER, at 920-360-2801 or brian.edwards@dot.wi.gov.

1. Environmental Protection, Aquatic Exotic Species Control.

Exotic invasive organisms such as VHS, zebra mussels, purple loosestrife, and Eurasian water milfoil are becoming more prolific in Wisconsin and pose adverse effects to waters of the state. Wisconsin State Statutes 30.07, “Transportation of Aquatic Plants and Animals; Placement of Objects in Navigable Waters”, details the state law that requires the removal of aquatic plants and zebra mussels each time equipment is put into state waters.

At construction sites that involve navigable water or wetlands, use the follow cleaning procedures to minimize the chance of exotic invasive species infestation. Use these procedures for all equipment that comes in contact with waters of the state and/or infested water or potentially infested water in other states.

Ensure that all equipment that has been in contact with waters of the state, or with infested or potentially infested waters, has been decontaminated for aquatic plant materials and zebra mussels prior to being used in other waters of the state. Before using equipment on this project, thoroughly disinfect all equipment that has come into contact with potentially infested waters. Use the following inspection and removal procedures (guidelines from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing/documents/vhs/disinfection\_protocols.pdf for disinfection:

1. Prior to leaving the contaminated site, wash machinery and ensure that the machinery is free of all soil and other substances that could possibly contain exotic invasive species;
2. Drain all water from boats, trailers, bilges, live wells, coolers, bait buckets, engine compartments, and any other area where water may be trapped;
3. Inspect boat hulls, propellers, trailers and other surfaces. Scrape off any attached mussels, remove any aquatic plant materials (fragments, stems, leaves, seeds, or roots), and dispose of removed mussels and plant materials in a garbage can prior to leaving the area or invested waters; and
4. Disinfect your boat, equipment and gear by either:
	1. Washing with ~212º F water (steam clean), or
	2. Drying thoroughly for five days after cleaning with soap and water and/or high pressure water, or
	3. Disinfecting with either 200 ppm (0.5 oz per gallon or 1 Tablespoon per gallon) Chlorine for 10-minute contact time or 1:100 solution (38 grams per gallon) of Virkon Aquatic for 20- to 30-minute contact time. Note: Virkon is not registered to kill zebra mussel veligers nor invertebrates like spiny water flea. Therefore this disinfect should be used in conjunction with a hot water (>104º F) application.

Complete the inspection and removal procedure before equipment is brought to the project site and before the equipment leaves the project site.

stp-107-055 (20130615)

1. Environmental Protection – Dewatering.

*Supplement subsection 107.18 of the standard specifications as follows:*

If dewatering is required, treat the water to remove suspended sediments by filtration, settlement or other appropriate best management practice prior to discharge. The means and methods proposed to be used during construction shall be submitted for approval as part of the Erosion Control Implementation Plan for dewatering at each location it is required. The submittal shall also include the details of how the intake will be managed to not cause an increase in the background level turbidity prior to treatment and any additional erosion controls necessary to prevent sediments from reaching the project limits or wetlands and waterways. Guidance on dewatering can be found on the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources website located in the Storm Water Construction Technical Standards, Dewatering Code #1061, “Dewatering”. This document can be found at the WisDNR website: http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/stormwater/standards/const\_standards.html

The cost of all work and materials associated with water treatment and/or dewatering is incidental to the bid items the work is associated.

(NER12-1010)

1. Construction Over or Adjacent to Navigable Waters.

*Add the following to standard spec 107.19:*

The Fond du Lac River is classified as a navigable waterway.

stp-107-060 (20150630)

1. Erosion Control Structures.

Within seven calendar days after the commencement of work on the bridge superstructure, place all permanent erosion control devices, including riprap, erosion mat, ditch checks, seed, fertilizer, mulch, soil stabilizer, or any other item required by the contract or deemed necessary by the engineer. These devices shall be in place in the area under the bridge and on both sides of the roadway, from the waterway to a point 100-feet behind the backwall of the abutment. Within said limits, place these devices to a height equivalent to the calculated water elevation resulting from a storm that occurs on the average of once every two years (Q2) as shown on the plan, or as directed by the engineer. Prior to initial construction operations, place turbidity barriers, silt screens, and other temporary erosion control measures as shown on the plans, and remove them after the permanent erosion control devices are in place unless directed otherwise by the engineer.

In the event that construction activity does not disturb the existing ground below the Q2 elevation, the above timing requirements for permanent erosion control shall be waived.

stp-107-070 (20030820)

1. Notice to Contractor, Notification of Demolition and/or Renovation No Asbestos Found.

John Roelke, License Number AII-119523, inspected Structure P-20-0919 for asbestos on August 20, 2015. No regulated Asbestos Containing Material (RACM) was found on this structure. A copy of the inspection report is available from: Brian Edwards, WisDOT-NER, 920-360-2801, brian.edwards@dot.wi.gov.

In accordance with NR447 and DHS159 , ensure that DNR or DHS receives a completed Notification of Demolition and/or Renovation (DNR Form 4500-113 (R 4/11), or subsequent revision) via U.S. mail, hand-delivery, or using the online notification system at least 10 working days prior to beginning any construction or demolition. Pay all associated fees. Provide a copy of the completed 4500-113 form to Rich Glen, JT Engineering, 920-468-4771 and DOT BTS-ESS attn: Hazardous Materials Specialist PO Box 7965, Madison, WI. 53707-7965. In addition, comply with all local or municipal asbestos requirements.

Use the following information to complete WisDNR form 4500-113:

* Site Name: Structure P-20-0919, Olden Road over Fond du Lac River
* Site Address: Section 15, T16N, R15E
* Ownership Information: Town of Rosendale, W11324 Rose-Eld Road, Ripon, WI 54971
* Contact: Brian Edwards, WisDOT-NER
* Phone: 920-360-2801
* Email: brian.edwards@dot.wi.gov
* Age: This structure was constructed in 1950
* Area: 598 SF of deck

Insert the following paragraph in Section 6.g.:

* If asbestos not previously identified is found or previously non-friable asbestos becomes crumbled, pulverized, or reduced to a powder, stop work immediately, notify the engineer, and the engineer will notify the department’s Bureau of Technical Services at 608-266-1476 for an emergency response in accordance to standard spec 107.24. Keep material wet until it is abated or until it is determined to be non-asbestos containing material.

stp-107-125 (20120615)

1. Removing Old Structure Over Waterway With Minimal Debris Station 20+00, Item 203.0600.S.

Conform to standard spec 203 as modified in this special provision.

*Add the following to standard spec 203:*

**203.3.6 Removals Over Waterways and Wetlands**

**203.3.6.2 Removing Old Structure Over Waterway with Minimal Debris**

(1) Remove the existing structure P-20-0919 over the Fond du Lac River in large sections and conforming to the contractor’s approved structure removal and clean-up plan. During superstructure removal, prevent all large pieces and minimize the number of small pieces from entering the waterway or wetland. Remove all reinforcing steel, all concrete, and all other debris that falls into the waterway or wetland. The contractor may leave limited amounts of small concrete pieces scattered over the waterway floor or wetland only if the engineer allows.

(2) Submit a structure removal and clean-up plan as part of the erosion control implementation plan required under standard spec 107.20. Do not start work under the structure removal and clean-up plan without the department’s written approval of the plan. Include the following information in the structure removal and clean-up plan:

* Methods and schedule to remove the structure.
* Methods to control potentially harmful environmental impacts.
* Methods for superstructure removal that prevent all large pieces and minimize the number of small pieces from entering the waterway or wetlands.
* Methods to control dust and contain slurry.
* Methods for removing piers and abutments. If blasting in water, include restrictions that regulatory agencies and the contract require.
* Methods for cleaning the waterway or wetlands.

(3) If stockpiling spoil material, place it on an upland site an adequate distance from the waterway, wetland, or any open water created by excavation. Install silt fence between the spoil pile and the waterway, wetland, or excavation site.

*Add the following Removing Old Structure bid item to standard spec 203.5.1:*

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| ITEM NUMBER | DESCRIPTION | UNIT |
| 203.0600.S | Removing Old Structure Over Waterway With Minimal Debris Station 20+00 | LS |

stp-203-020 (20080902)

1. QMP Base Aggregate.

**A Description**

**A.1 General**

(1) This special provision describes contractor quality control (QC) sampling and testing for base aggregates, documenting those test results, and documenting related production and placement process changes. This special provision also describes department quality verification (QV), independent assurance (IA), and dispute resolution.

(2) Conform to standard spec 301, standard spec 305, and standard spec 310 as modified here in this special provision. Apply this special provision to material placed under all of the Base Aggregate Dense and Base Aggregate Open Graded bid items, except do not apply this special provision to material classified as reclaimed asphaltic pavement placed under the Base Aggregate Dense bid items.

(3) Do not apply this special provision to material placed and paid for under the Aggregate Detours, Breaker Run, Select Crushed, Pit Run, Subbase, or Riprap bid items.

(4) Provide and maintain a quality control program, defined as all activities related to and documentation of the following:

1. Production and placement control and inspection.

2. Material sampling and testing.

(5) Chapter 8 of the department’s construction and materials manual (CMM) provides additional detailed guidance for QMP work and describes required sampling and testing procedures. The contractor may obtain the CMM from the department’s web site at:

http://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/doing-bus/eng-consultants/cnslt-rsrces/rdwy/default.aspx

**A.2 Small Quantities**

(1) The department defines a small quantity, for each individual Base Aggregate bid item, as a contract quantity of 9000 tons or less of material as shown in the schedule of items under that bid item.

(2) The requirements under this special provision apply equally to a small quantity for an individual bid item except as follows:

**A.2.1 Quality Control Plan**

(1) Submit an abbreviated quality control plan consisting of the following:

1. Organizational chart including names, telephone numbers, current certification(s) with HTCP number(s) and expiration date(s), and roles and responsibilities of all persons involved in the quality control program for material under affected bid items.

**A.2.2 Contractor Testing**

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| **Contract Quantity** | **Minimum Required Testing per source** |
| ≤ 6000 tons | One stockpile test prior to placement, and two production or one loadout test. |
| > 6000 tons and ≤ 9000 tons | One stockpile and Three placement tests[3] [4] [5] |

[1] Submit production test results to the engineer for review prior to incorporating the material into the work. Production test results are valid for a period of 3 years.

[2] If the actual quantity overruns 6,000 tons, on the next day of placement perform one randomly selected placement test for each 3000 tons, or fraction of 3000 tons, of overrun.

[3] If the actual quantity overruns 9000 tons, on the next day of placement perform one randomly selected placement test for each 3000 tons, or fraction of 3000 tons, of overrun.

[4] For 3-inch material or lift thickness of 3-inch or less, obtain samples at load-out.

[5] Divide the aggregate into uniformly sized sublots for testing

2. Stockpile testing for concrete pavement recycled in place will be sampled on the first day of production.

3. Until a four point running average is established, individual placement tests will be used for acceptance. Submit aggregate load-out and placement test results to the engineer within one business day of obtaining the sample. Assure that all properties are within the limits specified for each test.

4. Material represented by a sublot with any property outside the specification limits is nonconforming. The department may reject material or otherwise determine the final disposition of nonconforming material as specified in standard spec 106.5.

**A.2.3 Department Testing**

(1) The department will perform testing as specified in B.8 except as follows:

* Department stockpile verification testing prior to placement is optional for contract quantities of 500 tons or less.

**B Materials**

**B.1 Quality Control Plan**

(1) Submit a comprehensive written quality control plan to the engineer at or before the pre‑construction meeting. Do not place base before the engineer reviews and comments on the plan. Construct the project as that plan provides.

(2) Do not change the quality control plan without the engineer’s review. Update the plan with changes as they become effective. Provide a current copy of the plan to the engineer and post in each of the contractor’s laboratories as changes are adopted. Ensure that the plan provides the following elements:

1. An organizational chart with names, telephone numbers, current certifications and/or titles, and roles and responsibilities of QC personnel.

2. The process used to disseminate QC information and corrective action efforts to the appropriate persons. Include a list of recipients, the communication means that will be used, and action time frames.

3. A list of source and processing locations, section and quarter descriptions, for all aggregate materials requiring QC testing.

4. Test results for wear, sodium sulfate soundness, freeze/thaw soundness, and plasticity index of all aggregates requiring QC testing. Obtain this information from the region materials unit or from the engineer.

5. Descriptions of stockpiling and hauling methods.

6. Locations of the QC laboratory, retained sample storage, and where control charts and other documentation is posted.

7. An outline for resolving a process control problem. Include responsible personnel, required documentation, and appropriate communication steps.

**B.2 Personnel**

(1) Have personnel certified under the department’s highway technician certification program (HTCP) perform sampling, testing, and documentation as follows:

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| **Required Certification Level:** | **Sampling or Testing Roles:** |
| Transportation Materials Sampling Technician (TMS)Aggregate Technician I (AGGTEC-I)Aggregate Assistant Certified Technician (ACT-AGG) | Aggregate Sampling[1] |
| Aggregate Technician I (AGGTEC-I)Aggregate Assistant Certified Technician (ACT-AGG) | Aggregate Gradation Testing, Aggregate Fractured Particle Testing, Aggregate Liquid Limit and Plasticity Index Testing |

[1] Plant personnel under the direct observation of an aggregate technician certified at level one or higher may operate equipment to obtain samples.

(2) A certified technician must coordinate and take responsibility for the work an ACT performs. Have a certified technician ensure that all sampling and testing is performed correctly, analyze test results, and post resulting data. No more than one ACT can work under a single certified technician.

**B.3 Laboratory**

(1) Perform QC testing at a department-qualified laboratory. Obtain information on the Wisconsin laboratory qualification program from:

Materials Management Section

3502 Kinsman Blvd.

Madison, WI 53704

Telephone: (608) 246-5388

 http://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/doing-bus/eng-consultants/cnslt-rsrces/tools/appr-prod/qual-labs.aspx

**B.4 Quality Control Documentation**

**B.4.1 General**

(1) Submit base aggregate placement documentation to the engineer within 10 business days after completing base placement. Ensure that the submittal is complete, neatly organized, and includes applicable project records and control charts.

**B.4.2 Records**

(1) Document all placement observations, inspection records, and control adjustments daily in a permanent field record. Also include all test results in the project records. Provide test results to the engineer within one business day after obtaining a sample. Post or distribute tabulated results using a method mutually agreeable to the engineer and contractor.

**B.4.3 Control Charts**

(1) Plot gradation and fracture on the appropriate control chart as soon as test results are available. Format control charts according to CMM 8.30. Include the project number on base placement control charts. Maintain separate control charts for each base aggregate size, source or classification, and type.

(2) Provide control charts to the engineer within one business day after obtaining a sample. Post or distribute charts using a method mutually agreeable to the engineer and contractor. Update control charts daily to include the following:

1. Contractor individual QC tests.

2. Department QV tests.

3. Department IA tests.

4. Four-point running average of the QC tests.

(3) Except as specified under B.8.2.1 for nonconforming QV placement tests, include only QC placement tests in the running average. The contractor may plot process control or informational tests on control charts, but do not include these tests, conforming QV tests, or IA tests in the running average.

**B.5 Contractor Testing**

(1) Test gradation, fracture, liquid limit and plasticity index during placement for each base aggregate size, source or classification, and type.

(2) Perform one stockpile test from each source prior to placement.

(3) Test gradation once per 3000 tons of material placed or fraction thereof. Determine random sample locations and provide those sample locations to the engineer. Obtain samples after the material has been bladed, mixed, and shaped but before compacting; except collect 3‑inch samples or lift thickness of 3-inch or less from the stockpile at load‑out. Do not sample from material used to maintain local traffic or from areas of temporary base that will not have an overlying pavement. On days when placing only material used to maintain local traffic or only temporary base that will not have an overlying pavement, no placement testing is required.

(4) Split each contractor QC sample and identify it according to CMM 8.30. Retain the split for seven calendar days in a dry, protected location. If requested for department comparison testing, deliver the split to the engineer within one business day.

(5) The engineer may require additional sampling and testing to evaluate suspect material or the technician’s sampling and testing procedures.

(6) Test fracture for each gradation test until the fracture running average is above the lower warning limit. Subsequently, the contractor may reduce the frequency to one test per 10 gradation tests if the fracture running average remains above the warning limit.

(7) Test the liquid limit and plasticity index for the first gradation test. Subsequently, test the liquid limit and plasticity index a minimum of once per 10 gradation tests.

**B.6 Test Methods**

**B.6.1 Gradation**

(1) Test gradation using a washed analysis conforming to the following as modified in CMM 8.60:

 Gradation AASHTO T 27

 Material finer than the No. 200 sieve AASHTO T 11

(2) For 3-inch base, if 3 consecutive running average points for the percent passing the No. 200 sieve are 8.5 percent or less, the contractor may use an unwashed analysis. Wash at least one sample out of 10. If a single running average for the percent passing the No. 200 sieve exceeds 8.5 percent, resume washed analyses until 3 consecutive running average points are again 8.5 percent passing or less.

(3) Maintain a separate control chart for each sieve size specified in standard spec 305 or standard spec 310 for each base aggregate size, source or classification, and type. Set control and warning limits based on the standard specification gradation limits as follows:

1. Control limits are at the upper and lower specification limits.

2. There are no upper warning limits for sieves allowing 100 percent passing and no lower control limits for sieves allowing 0 percent passing.

3. Dense graded warning limits, except for the No. 200 sieve, are 2 percent within the upper and lower control limits. Warning limits for the No. 200 sieve are set 0.5 percent within the upper and lower control limits.

4. Open graded warning limits for the 1-inch, 3/8-inch, and No. 4 sieves are 2 percent within the upper and lower control limits. Upper warning limits for the No. 10, No. 40, and No. 200 sieves are 1 percent inside the upper control limit.

**B.6.2 Fracture**

(1) Test fracture conforming to CMM 8.60. The engineer will waive fractured particle testing on quarried stone.

(2) Maintain a separate fracture control chart for each base aggregate size, source or classification, and type. Set the lower control limit at the contract specification limit, either specified in another special provision or in table 301-2 of standard spec 301.2.4.5. Set the lower warning limit 2 percent above the lower control limit. There are no upper limits.

**B.6.3 Liquid Limit and Plasticity**

(1) Test the liquid limit and plasticity according to AASHTO T 89 and T 90.

(2) Ensure the material conforms to the limits specified in standard spec table 301-2.

**B.7 Corrective Action**

**B.7.1 General**

(1) Consider corrective action when the running average trends toward a warning limit. Take corrective action if an individual test exceeds the contract specification limit. Document all corrective actions both in the project records and on the appropriate control chart.

**B.7.2 Placement Corrective Action**

(1) Do not blend additional material on the roadbed to correct gradation problems.

(2) Notify the engineer whenever the running average exceeds a warning limit. When two consecutive running averages exceed a warning limit, the engineer and contractor will discuss appropriate corrective action. Perform the engineer’s recommended corrective action and increase the testing frequency as follows:

1. For gradation, increase the QC testing frequency to at least one randomly sampled test per 1000 tons placed.

2. For fracture, increase the QC testing frequency to at least one test per gradation test.

(3) If corrective action improves the property in question such that the running average after four additional tests is within the warning limits, the contractor may return to the testing frequency specified in B.5.3. If corrective action does not improve the property in question such that the running average after four additional individual tests is still in the warning band, repeat the steps outlined above starting with engineer notification.

(4) If the running average exceeds a control limit, material starting from the first running average exceeding the control limit and ending at the first subsequent running average inside the control limit is nonconforming and subject to pay reduction.

(5) For individual test results significantly outside the control limits, notify the engineer, stop placing base, and suspend other activities that may affect the area in question. The engineer and contractor will jointly review data, data reduction, and data analysis; evaluate sampling and testing procedures; and perform additional testing as required to determine the extent of potentially unacceptable material. The engineer may direct the contractor to remove and replace that material. Individual test results are significantly outside the control limits if meeting one or more of the following criteria:

1. A gradation control limit for the No. 200 sieve is exceeded by more than 3.0 percent.

2. A gradation control limit for any sieve, except the No. 200, is exceeded by more than 5.0 percent.

3. The fracture control limit is exceeded by more than 10.0 percent.

**B.8 Department Testing**

**B.8.1 General**

(1) The department will conduct verification testing to validate the quality of the product and independent assurance testing to evaluate the sampling and testing. The department will provide the contractor with a listing of names and telephone numbers of all QV and IA personnel for the project, and provide test results to the contractor within two business days after the department obtains the sample.

**B.8.2 Verification Testing**

**B.8.2.1 General**

(1) The department will have an HTCP technician, or ACT working under a certified technician, perform QV sampling and testing. Department verification testing personnel must meet the same certification level requirements specified in B.2 for contractor testing personnel for each test result being verified. The department will notify the contractor before sampling so the contractor can observe QV sampling.

(2) The department will conduct QV tests of each base aggregate size, source or classification, and type during placement conforming to the following:

1. Perform one stockpile test from each source prior to placement.

2. At least one random test per 30,000 tons, or fraction of 30,000 tons, placed.

(3) The department will sample randomly, at locations independent of the contractor’s QC work, collecting one sample at each QV location. The department will collect QV samples after the material has been bladed, mixed, and shaped but before compacting; except, for 3-inch aggregates or for a lift thickness of 3-inch or less, the department will collect samples at load-out. The department will split each sample, test half for QV, and retain half.

(4) The department will conduct QV tests in a separate laboratory and with separate equipment from the contractor’s QC tests. The department will use the same methods specified for QC testing.

(5) The department will assess QV results by comparing to the appropriate specification limits. If QV test results conform to the specification, the department will take no further action. If QV test results are nonconforming, add the QV to the QC test results as if it were an additional QC test.

**B.8.3 Independent Assurance**

(1) Independence assurance is unbiased testing the department performs to evaluate the department’s QV and the contractor’s QC sampling and testing including personnel qualifications, procedures, and equipment. The department will perform an IA review according to the department’s independent assurance program. That review may include one or more of the following:

1. Split sample testing.

2. Proficiency sample testing.

3. Witnessing sampling and testing.

4. Test equipment calibration checks.

5. Reviewing required worksheets and control charts.

6. Requesting that testing personnel perform additional sampling and testing.

(2) If the department identifies a deficiency, and after further investigation confirms it, correct that deficiency. If the contractor does not correct or fails to cooperate in resolving identified deficiencies, the engineer may suspend placement until action is taken. Resolve disputes as specified in B.9.

**B.9 Dispute Resolution**

(1) The engineer and contractor should make every effort to avoid conflict. If a dispute between some aspect of the contractor’s and the engineer’s testing program does occur, seek a solution mutually agreeable to the project personnel. The department and contractor may review the data, examine data reduction and analysis methods, evaluate sampling and testing procedures, and perform additional testing. Use ASTM E 178 to evaluate potential statistically outlying data.

(2) Production test results, and results from other process control testing, may be considered when resolving a dispute.

(3) If the project personnel cannot resolve a dispute, and the dispute affects payment or could result in incorporating non-conforming product, the department will use third party testing to resolve the dispute. The department’s central office laboratory, or a mutually agreed on independent testing laboratory, will provide this testing. The engineer and contractor will abide by the results of the third party tests. The party in error will pay service charges incurred for testing by an independent laboratory. The department may use third party test results to evaluate the quality of questionable materials and determine the appropriate payment. The department may reject material or otherwise determine the final disposition of nonconforming material as specified in standard spec 106.5.

**C (Vacant)**

**D (Vacant)**

**E Payment**

(1) Costs for all sampling, testing, and documentation required under this special provision are incidental to this work. If the contractor fails to perform the work required under this special provision, the department may reduce the contractor’s pay. The department will administer pay reduction under the non-performance of QMP administrative item.

(2) For material represented by a running average exceeding a control limit, the department will reduce pay according to CMM 8-10.6.2 for the affected Base Aggregate bid items listed in subsection A. The department will administer pay reduction under the Nonconforming QMP Base Aggregate Gradation or Nonconforming QMP Base Aggregate Fracture Administrative items. The department will determine the quantity of nonconforming material as specified in B.7.2.

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