PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS

ROADWAY

SHOULDER RECONSTRUCTION:

(4-12-07) RR 07Rev

Description

The Contractor shall place ABC (M) along the completed edge of pavement and construct shoulders as shown on the sketch map and/or as directed by the Engineer. The area shall be backfilled and compacted to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

Materials

The ABC (M) shall meet the requirements of Section 1005 in the NCDOT *2006 Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures.*

Measurement and Payment

Shoulder Reconstruction will be measured and paid for as the actual number of shoulder miles that have been constructed. Measurement will be made along the edge of each shoulder. Measurement will be made to the nearest 0.01 of a mile. Such price and payment will be full compensation for furnishing earth material, hauling, placing, compaction, and all incidentals necessary to complete construction of the shoulders.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	Pay Unit
Shoulder Reconstruction	Shoulder Mile

DRAINAGE STRUCTURE CLEAN OUT:
(4-12-07) SPI

The Contractor shall clean out existing drainage structures of silt accumulations and debris as directed by the Engineer.

The quantity of clean out drainage structures to be paid for will be the actual number of drainage structures cleaned out and accepted by the Engineer.

The quantity for the clean out of the drainage structures, measured as provided above, shall be full compensation for all work including, but not limited to, furnishing all labor, equipment, disposal of any debris, and any incidentals necessary to complete the work.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	**Pay Unit**
Drainage Structure Clean Out	Each

CONCRETE APRON FOR DROP INLET:

Construct concrete aprons for drop inlets in accordance with this provision, *Roadway Standard Drawings* 840.17, 840.18, and 840.19, and Section 840 of the *Standard Specifications,* at locations as directed by the Engineer. Payment for the work shall be made on a per each basis completed and accepted by the Engineer. The cost for removal and disposal of the existing drop inlet apron shall be considered incidental to the work and shall be included in the cost of the new apron.

DRAINAGE STRUCTURE REPAIR:

At locations directed by the Engineer, the Contractor shall repair the top of existing drainage structures down to an elevation deemed by the Engineer to be sound. Construction methods and materials shall be in accordance with Section 840 of the Specifications. It is anticipated that such repair will generally be limited to 2 feet or less. Damaged grates and frames shall be replaced with new grates and frames in accordance with Section 840 of the Specifications. Undamaged grates and frames shall be removed from the structure and then reset after drainage structure has been repaired.

Measurement of drainage structure repair will be made by measuring the distance from the top of the existing drainage structure before repair, down to the bottom of the repair section limits. Measurement will be rounded up to the nearest foot.

Payment will be made for the repair at the contract unit price per linear foot "Drainage Structure Repair". Repairs of less than 1 foot will be paid for at the contract unit price for a minimum of 1 foot of repair.

Such price and payment will be considered full compensation for all labor, tools, equipment and incidentals necessary to complete the adjustments, including removing and resetting undamaged grates and frames.

New grates and frames will be measured and paid for in accordance with Section 840 of the Specifications.

ASPHALT PAVEMENTS - SUPERPAVE:

(7-18-06) (Rev 9-19-06) R6 R01

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 6-2, Article 600-9 Measurement and Payment

Delete the second paragraph.

Page 6-12, 609-5(C)2(c) add after (AASHTO T 209):

or ASTM D 2041

Page 6-13, last line on page & Page 6-14, Subarticle 609-5(C)(2)(e), delete and substitute the following:

(e) Retained Tensile Strength (TSR) - (AASHTO T 283 Modified), add subarticle (1) Option 1 before the first paragraph.

(1) Option 1

Add subarticle (2) Option 2 and the following sentence as the first sentence of the second paragraph:

(2) Option 2

Mix sampled from truck at plant with one set of specimens prepared by the Contractor and then tested jointly by QA and QC at a mutually agreed upon lab site within the first 7 calendar days after beginning production of each new mix design.

Page 6-28, 610-3(A) Mix Design-General, third sentence of the fourth paragraph:

Substitute 20% for 15%

First, second and third sentences of the fifth paragraph:

Substitute 20% for 15%

Page 6-44, 610-8, third full paragraph, replace the first sentence with the following:

Use the 30 foot minimum length mobile grade reference system or the non-contacting laser or sonar type ski *with at least four referencing stations mounted on the paver at a minimum length of 24 feet* to control the longitudinal profile when placing the initial lanes and all adjacent lanes of all layers, including resurfacing and asphalt in-lays, unless otherwise specified or approved.

Page 6-54, Article 620-4, add the following pay item:

Pay Item	**Pay Unit**
Asphalt Binder for Plant Mix, Grade PG 70-28	Ton

Page 6-69, Table 660-1 **Material Application Rates and Temperatures**, add the following:

Type of Coat	Grade of Asphalt	Asphalt Rate gal/yd^2	Application Temperature °F	Aggregate Size	Aggregate Rate lb./sq. yd. Total
Sand Seal	CRS-2 or CRS-2P	0.22-0.30	150-175	Blotting Sand	12-15

Page 6-75, 660-9(B), add the following as sub-item (5)

(5) Sand Seal

Place the fully required amount of asphalt material in one application and immediately cover with the seal coat aggregate. Uniformly spread the fully required amount of aggregate in one application and correct all non-uniform areas prior to rolling.

Immediately after the aggregate has been uniformly spread, perform rolling.

When directed, broom excess aggregate material from the surface of the seal coat.

When the sand seal is to be constructed for temporary sealing purposes only and will not be used by traffic, other grades of asphalt material meeting the requirements of Articles 1020-6 and 1020-7 may be used in lieu of the grade of asphalt required by Table 660-1 when approved.

Page 10-41, Table 1012-1, add the following:

Mix Type	Course Aggregate Angularity [(b)] ASTM D5821	Fine Aggregate Angularity % Minimum AASHTO T304 Method A	Sand Equivalent % Minimum AASHTO T176	Flat & Elongated 5:1 Ratio % Maximum ASTM D4791 Section 8.4
S 9.5 D	100/100	45	50	10

Page 10-45, Replace Table 1012-2 with the following:

TABLE 1012-2
NEW SOURCE RAP GRADATION and BINDER TOLERANCES
(Apply Tolerances to Mix Design Data)

Mix Type	0-20% RAP			21-25% RAP			26%+ RAP		
Sieve (mm)	**Base**	**Inter.**	**Surf.**	**Base**	**Inter.**	**Surf.**	**Base**	**Inter.**	**Surf.**
P_b, %		± 0.7%			± 0.4%			± 0.3%	
1 1/2" (37.5)	±10	-	-	±7	-	-	±5	-	-
3/4" (19.0)	±10	±10	-	±7	±7	-	±5	±5	-
1/2" (12.5)	-	±10	±6	-	±7	±3	-	±5	±2
3/8" (9.5)	-	-	±8	-	-	±5	-	-	±4
No. 4 (4.75)	±10	-	±10	±7	-	±7	±5	-	±5
No. 8 (2.36)	±8	±8	±8	±5	±5	±5	±4	±4	±4
No.16 (1.18)	±8	±8	±8	±5	±5	±5	±4	±4	±4
No. 30 (0.600)	±8	±8	±8	±5	±5	±5	±4	±4	±4
No. 50 (0.300)	-	-	±8	-	-	±5	-	-	±4
No. 200 (0.075)	±4	±4	±4	±2	±2	±2	±1.5	±1.5	±1.5

ASPHALT BINDER CONTENT OF ASPHALT PLANT MIXES:
(1-1-02) R6 R15

The approximate asphalt binder content of the asphalt concrete plant mixtures used on this project will be as follows:

Asphalt Concrete Base Course	Type B 25.0 __	4.3 %
Asphalt Concrete Intermediate Course	Type I 19.0 __	4.7 %
Asphalt Concrete Surface Course	Type S 4.75A	7.0 %
Asphalt Concrete Surface Course	Type SF 9.5A	6.5 %
Asphalt Concrete Surface Course	Type S 9.5 __	6.0 %
Asphalt Concrete Surface Course	Type S 12.5 __	5.5 %

The actual asphalt binder content will be established during construction by the Engineer within the limits established in the *2006 Standard Specifications.*

QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR ASPHALT PAVEMENTS: (OGAFC, PADC, and ULTRATHIN HMA Version)

(3-22-07) SPI

Description

Produce and construct Open Graded Asphalt Friction Course, Permeable Asphalt Drainage Course, and Ultrathin Hot Mix Asphalt Concrete Wearing Surface asphalt mixtures and pavements. All materials and work shall conform to Division 6 of the *2006 Standard Specifications* except as modified herein. Perform all applicable quality control activities in accordance with the Department's *Hot Mix Asphalt Quality Management System (HMA/QMS) Manual* unless otherwise approved.

Description of Responsibilities

(A) Quality Control (QC)

Provide and conduct a quality control program. A quality control program is defined as all activities, including mix design, process control inspection, plant and equipment calibration, sampling and testing, and necessary adjustments in the process that are related to production of a pavement which meets all requirements of the Specifications.

(B) Quality Assurance (QA)

The Department will conduct a quality assurance program. A quality assurance program is defined as all activities, including inspection, sampling, and testing related to determining that the quality of the completed pavement conforms to specification requirements.

Mix Design/Job Mix Formula Requirements

All mix design and job mix formula requirements of Article 661-2 of the *2006 Standard Specifications* and the contract documents shall apply. In addition, submit Superpave gyratory compactor printouts for all specimens required to be compacted during the mix design process.

Field Verification Of Mixture And Job Mix Formula Adjustments

Conduct field verification of the mix at each plant within 30 calendar days prior to initial production of each mix design, when required by the Allowable Mix Adjustment Policy, and when directed as deemed necessary.

Field verification testing consists of performing a minimum of 1 test series on mix sampled and tested in accordance *Required Sampling and Testing Frequencies*. Obtain the mix verification sample and split in accordance with the Department's *HMA/QMS Manual*. Do not begin normal plant production until all field verification test results have been completed and the mix has been satisfactorily verified by the Contractor's Level II Technician. Verification is considered satisfactory when the mix meets all applicable individual test control limits as specified elsewhere in these provisions, except that the drain down test will meet the requirements as specified in Section 661 of the *2006 Standard Specifications* for the applicable mix type.

In addition to the required sampling and testing for field verification, perform all preliminary inspections and plant calibrations as shown in the *HMA/QMS Manual*.

Retain records of these calibrations and mix verification tests, including Superpave Gyratory Compactor (SGC) printouts, at the QC laboratory. In addition, furnish copies, including SGC printouts, to the Engineer for review and approval within 1 working day after beginning production of the mix.

Conduct the initial mix verification of all new mix designs with the plant set up to produce the aggregate blend and binder content in accordance with the initially approved job mix formula (JMF). If the Contractor and/or the Engineer determine from results of quality control tests conducted during mix verification that adjustments to the job mix formula are necessary to achieve specified mix properties, adjustments to the JMF may be made within tolerances permitted by specifications for the mix type being produced, subject to approval. All JMF adjustments will be approved and documented in writing by the Engineer.

Failure by the Contractor to fully comply with the above mix verification requirements will result in immediate production stoppage by the Engineer. Do not resume normal production until all mix verification sampling, testing, calibrations, and plant inspections have been performed and approved. Any mix produced that is not verified may be assessed a price reduction at the Engineer's discretion in addition to any reduction in pay due to mix and/or surface deficiencies.

Contractor's Quality Control System

(A) Personnel Requirements

Obtain all certifications in accordance with the Department's QMS Asphalt Technician Certification Program as shown in the *HMA/QMS M*anual. Perform all sampling, testing, data analysis and data posting by or under the direct supervision of a certified QMS Asphalt Plant Technician.

Provide a certified Asphalt Plant Technician Level I to perform quality control operations and activities at each plant site at all times during production of material for the project. A plant operator who is a certified Asphalt Plant Technician Level I may be utilized to meet this requirement when daily production for each mix design is less than 100 tons provided the randomly scheduled increment sample is not within that tonnage. When performing in this capacity, the plant operator will be responsible for all quality control activities that are necessary and required. Absences of the Level I Technician, other than those for normal breaks and emergencies, shall be pre-approved by the appropriate QA Supervisor or his designated representative. Any extended absence of the Technician that has not been approved will result in immediate suspension of production by the Engineer. All mix produced during this absence will be accepted in accordance with Article 105-3 of the *2006 Standard Specifications*.

Provide and have readily available a certified Asphalt Plant Technician Level II to supervise, coordinate, and make any necessary adjustments in the mix quality control process in a timely manner. The Level II Technician may serve in a dual capacity and fulfill the Level I Technician requirements specified.

Provide a certified QMS Roadway Technician with each paving operation at all times during placement of asphalt. This person is responsible for monitoring all roadway paving operations and all quality control processes and activities, to include stopping production or implementing corrective measures when warranted.

Post in the quality control laboratory an organizational chart, including names, telephone numbers and current certification numbers of all personnel responsible for the quality control program while asphalt paving work is in progress.

(B) Field Laboratory Requirements

Furnish and maintain a Department certified laboratory at the plant site. A minimum of 320 square feet of floor space (exclusive of toilet facilities), equipment, and supplies necessary for performing Contractor quality control testing is required. Provide convenient telephone and fax machine access for QMS personnel at the plant site.

Provide testing equipment meeting the requirements of the test methods herein identified. Provide equipment that is properly calibrated and maintained. Allow all measuring and testing devices to be inspected to confirm both calibration and condition. If at any time the Engineer determines that the equipment is not operating properly or is not within the limits of dimensions or calibration described in the applicable test method, the Engineer may stop production until corrective action is taken. Maintain and have available a record of all calibration results at the laboratory.

(C) Plant Mix Quality Control

(1) General

Include in the quality control process the preliminary inspections, plant calibrations and field verification of the mix and JMF. In addition, conduct at a minimum but not limited to, the sampling, testing, and determination of all parameters outlined in these provisions using test methods and minimum frequencies as specified herein. Perform additional sampling and testing when conditions dictate. Obtain, split, and retain all scheduled samples at randomly selected locations in accordance with the Department's *HMA/QMS Manual*, except as modified below. Log all samples taken on forms provided by the Department. Provide documentation. Identify any additional quality control samples taken and tested at times other than the regularly scheduled random samples or directed samples that take the place of regularly scheduled as process control (PC) samples on the appropriate forms. Process Control test results shall not be plotted on control charts nor reported to Quality Assurance Laboratory.

Obtain minimum 25 lb. samples for PADC and Ultrathin HMA. Split and retain in accordance with procedures in the Department's *HMA/QMS Manual*. For OGAFC Types FC-1, FC-1 Modified and FC-2 Modified, obtain minimum 1500-2000 gram samples each for QC, QA, and for retained samples. OGAFC QC samples shall be tested immediately. Place QA samples and retained samples of OGAFC in lubricated gill cans and store for possible testing in accordance with the procedures established below.

Retain the untested split portion of quality control aggregate and mix samples and the tested TSR specimens for 5 calendar days at the plant site, commencing the day the samples are tested. Permission for disposal may be given by Quality Assurance personnel prior to these minimum storage periods. Retain the split portion of the Contractor's mix verification and referee mix samples until either procured by or permission for disposal is given by QA. Store all retained samples in a dry and protected location.

(2) Required Sampling and Testing Frequencies

All mix sampling, testing, data analysis and data posting shall be performed or directly supervised by a certified QMS Asphalt Plant Technician.

Maintain minimum test frequencies as established in the schedule below. Complete all tests within 24 hours of the time the sample is taken, unless specified otherwise within these provisions. Should the specified tests not be completed within the required time frame, cease production at that point until such time the tests are completed.

Should the Contractor's testing frequency fail to meet the minimum frequency requirements as specified, all mix without the specified test representation will be considered unsatisfactory. If the Engineer allows the mix to remain in place, payment will be made at 50 percent of the contract unit bid price for the mixture.

If desired, innovative equipment or techniques not addressed by these specifications to produce or monitor the production of mix may be utilized, subject to approval.

Quality Control Minimum Sampling and Testing Schedule

Sample and test the completed mixture from each mix design (OGAFC and Ultrathin HMA) or job mix formula (PADC) at the following minimum frequency during mix production:

Accumulative Production Increment	Number of Samples per Increment
500 tons	1

If production is discontinued or interrupted before the accumulative production increment tonnage is completed, continue the increment on the next production day(s) until the increment tonnage is completed. Obtain a random sample within the specified increment at the location determined in accordance with the Department's *HMA/QMS Manual*. Conduct quality control sampling and testing on each random sample as scheduled below. When daily production of each mix design exceeds 100 tons and a regularly scheduled test series random sample location for that mix design is not reached during that day's production, perform a test series as scheduled below. This test series does not substitute for the regularly scheduled random sample for that increment.

Perform the following test series on all regularly scheduled random samples:

Asphalt Mixture - Sampled From Truck at Plant (AASHTO T-168 Modified) (Split Sample Required)

(a) Asphalt Binder Content, % (Contractor may select either option below)
1. Ignition Furnace (AASHTO T 308 Modified)
2. Other (Contractor may request and use other means of determining percent asphalt binder subject to approval by the Engineer)

(b) Gradation on Recovered Blended Aggregate from Mix Sample (AASHTO T-30 Modified) (Graded on all sieves specified on the job mix formula.)

In addition to the above schedule, conduct the following sampling and testing as indicated:

(a) Aggregate Stockpile Gradations (AASHTO T 27 and T 11) (Sampled from stockpiles or cold feed system as follows; split samples not required)

1. Coarse Aggregates (Approved Standard Sizes)
   a. At beginning of production*
   b. Weekly thereafter*
2. Fine Aggregates (Stone Screenings, Natural Sands, Etc.)
   a. At or within 1 week prior to mix verification (Gradations valid for multiple mix designs).
   b. Weekly after mix verification *
   c. Anytime production is stopped due to plant mix gradation related problems.
3. Reclaimed Asphalt Shingle Material (RAS) Binder Content and Gradation (AASHTO T 308 Modified or T 164 and AASHTO T 30 Modified) (sample from stockpiles or cold feed system at beginning of production and weekly thereafter). Have RAS approved for use in accordance with Article 1012-1 (F). (Split Sample Required)

*In lieu of the aggregate stockpile gradations performed by QC personnel, gradation quality control data conducted by the aggregate producer, which is representative of the Contractor's current stockpiles, may be furnished.

(b) Combined Aggregate Moisture Content (AASHTO T 255) Drum Plant Only (sampled from stockpiles or cold feed system a minimum of once daily).

(c) Asphalt Drain Down Test Procedure, AASHTO T 305; Copy of procedure may be obtained from the M & T Asphalt Design Engineer. Mix sampled from truck at plant within the first day's production and weekly thereafter. **Note**: Drain Down Test not required for Permeable Asphalt Drainage Course.

(d) Retained Tensile Strength (TSR) - (AASHTO T 283 Modified)
Note: TSR only required for Ultrathin HMA.
1. Option 1

Mix sampled from truck at plant, tested, and results furnished to the Engineer within seven (7) calendar days after beginning production of each new mix design. From the split sample, QC will prepare and submit within 5 calendar days of the sample date, an additional set of specimens to the QA Lab for TSR testing (Split Sample Required).

2. Option 2
Mix sampled from truck at plant with one set of specimens prepared by the Contractor and then tested jointly by QA and QC at a mutually agreed upon lab site within the first seven (7) calendar days after beginning production of each new mix design. Specimens shall be tested on either a recording test press or a test press that maintains the peak load reading after the specimen has broken.

Additional TSR testing required prior to mix production in accordance with above procedures is required when a change is made in anti-strip additive dosage or when a new anti-strip additive source or grade is utilized, unless otherwise approved. Other TSR test(s) may be directed as deemed necessary. TSR testing not required for mix verification, but may be performed at that time.

(3) Control Charts

Maintain standardized control charts furnished by the Department at the field laboratory. For mix incorporated into the project, record test data from all regularly scheduled random samples or directed samples which replace regularly scheduled random samples, on control charts the same day the tests results are obtained. Process Control (PC) test results shall not be plotted on control charts nor reported to Quality Assurance Laboratory.

Results of quality assurance tests performed by the Engineer will be posted on the Contractor's control charts as data becomes available.

Record the following data on the standardized control charts:

(a) Aggregate Gradation Test Results:
1. 1/2" (Types P57 & FC-2 Mod. Only)
2. 3/8" (Excluding Type P57)
3. No. 4
4. No. 8
5. No. 200 Sieves

(b) Binder Content, %, P_b
Both the individual test values and the moving average of the last 4 data points shall be plotted on each chart. The Contractor's test data shall be shown in black and the moving average in red. The Engineer's assurance data will be plotted in blue. Denote the warning control limits with a dash green line, the moving average control limits with a dashed blue line, and individual test limits with a dash red line.

Maintain a continuous moving average with the following exceptions. Re-establish a new moving average only when:

1. A change in the binder percentage or aggregate blend is made in the JMF, or,
2. When the Contractor elects to stop or is required to stop production after one or two moving average values, respectively, fall outside the warning limits or,
3. If failure to stop production after two consecutive moving averages exceed the warning limits occurs, but production does stop at a subsequent time, re-establish a new moving average beginning at the actual production stop point.

In addition, re-establish the moving averages for all mix properties. Moving averages will not be re-established when production stoppage occurs due to an individual test result exceeding the individual test limits and/or specifications.

All individual test results for regularly scheduled samples or directed samples which replace regularly scheduled samples are part of the plant quality control record and shall be included in moving average calculations with the following exception. When the Contractor's testing data has been proven incorrect, use the correct data as determined by the Engineer in lieu of the Contractor's data to determine the appropriate pay factor. In this case, replace the data in question and any related data proven incorrect.

(4) Control Limits

The following are established as control limits for mix production. Control limits for the warning and moving average limits are based on a moving average of the last 4 data points. Apply all control limits to data given on the job mix formula.

Mix Control Criteria	**Control Limits, %**		
	Warning	**Moving Average**	**Individual Test**
Asphalt Binder Content	+/-0.3	+/-0.5	+/-0.7
1/2" Sieve (Types P57 & FC-2 Mod)	+/-4.0	+/-5.0	+/-8.0
3/8" Sieve (Excluding Type P57)	+/-4.0	+/-5.0	+/-8.0
No. 4 Sieve	+/-4.0	+/-5.0	+/-8.0
No. 8 Sieve	+/-4.0	+/-5.0	+/-8.0
No. 200 Sieve	+/-1.5	+/-2.0	+/-2.5
TSR (Ultrathin Only)	N/A	N/A	15%

(5) Warning Bands

Warning bands are defined as the area between the warning limits and moving average limits

(6) Corrective Actions

All required corrective actions are based upon initial test results and shall be taken immediately upon obtaining those results. In the event situations occur which warrant more than one corrective action and/or adjustment, give precedence to the

more severe of these actions. Stopping production when required takes precedence over all other corrective actions. Document all corrective actions.

Immediately cease production and immediately notify the Engineer when any of the following occur:

(a) When an individual test result for a mix control criteria exceeds both the individual test control limits and the applicable specification design criteria, or,
(b) When two consecutive field TSR values fail to meet the minimum specification requirement, or,
(c) When two consecutive binder content test results exceed the individual limits.

Do not resume normal plant production until one of the following has occurred:

(a) Option 1 - Approval has been granted by the appropriate QA Supervisor.
(b) Option 2 - The mix in question has been satisfactorily verified. Normal production may resume based on the approval of the contractor's Level II technician, provided notification and the verification test results have been furnished to the QA Laboratory.

Failure to fully comply with one of the above provisions will result in immediate production stoppage by the Engineer. Normal production shall not then resume until a complete reverification process has been performed and approved by the Engineer.

Acceptance of all mix failing to meet the individual test control or minimum TSR requirements as described above will be determined in accordance with Article 105-3. In addition, any mix, which is deemed unacceptable, will be rejected for use in the work.

Failure to stop production when required due to an individual mix test not meeting the specified requirements shall subject all mix from the stop point tonnage to the point when the next individual test is back on or within the warning limits, or to the tonnage point when production is actually stopped, whichever occurs first, to being considered unacceptable.

Failure to stop production when required due to two consecutive TSR tests failing to meet the specification requirements will subject all mix from the stop point tonnage to the point when the next TSR test meets or exceeds the specification requirement, or to the tonnage point when production is actually stopped, whichever occurs first, to being considered unacceptable.

In either case, remove and replace this mix with materials that comply with the specifications at no additional costs to the Department, unless otherwise approved. Payment will be made for the actual quantities of materials required to replace the removed quantities, not to exceed the original amounts.

Immediately notify the Engineer when any moving average value exceeds the warning limit. If two consecutive moving average values for any one of the mix control criteria fall outside the warning limits, cease production of that mix and make adjustments. The Contractor may elect to stop production after only one moving average value falls outside the warning limits. In either case, do not determine a new moving average until the fourth test after the elective or mandatory stop in production.

Do not resume normal plant production until one of the following has occurred:

(a) Option 1 - Approval has been granted by the appropriate QA Supervisor.
(b) Option 2 - The mix in question has been satisfactorily verified. Normal production may resume based on the approval of the contractor's Level II technician, provided notification and the verification test results have been furnished to the QA Laboratory.

Failure to fully comply with one of the above provisions will result in immediate production stoppage by the Engineer. Normal production shall not then resume until a complete reverification process has been performed and approved by the Engineer.

If the process adjustment improves the property in question such that the moving average after four additional tests is on or within the warning limits, the Contractor may continue production with no reduction in payment.

If the adjustment does not improve the property in question such that the moving average after four additional individual tests stays in the warning bands, the mix will be considered not to be within reasonably close conformity, but reasonably acceptable. Reduced payment for the mix in question will be applied starting from the plant sample tonnage at the stop point to the sample tonnage when the moving average is on or within the warning limits in accordance with the following table.

Payment for Mix Produced in the Warning Bands

Mix Property	Pay Factor Percent Bid Price for Mix**
1/2" Sieve (Types P57 &FC-2 Mod. Only)	90
3/8" (Excluding Type P57)	90
No. 4	90
No. 8	90
No. 200	90
Asphalt Binder Content	85

** When two or more properties are in question, only the lower pay factor will be applied to the mix unit bid price.

If the adjustment does not improve the property in question such that the moving average after four additional tests exceeds the moving average control limits, the mix will be considered not to be within reasonably close conformity with specifications. If the Engineer determines the mix is reasonably acceptable based on test data and an inspection of the completed pavement and allows it to remain in place, the mix will be accepted in accordance with Article 105-3. If the mix is determined to be unacceptable,

the mix will be removed and replaced with materials that comply with the specifications. In either case, the adjustment or removal, respectively, for the mix in question will be applied starting from the plant sample tonnage at the stop point to the sample tonnage when the moving average is on or within the warning limits. In addition, any mix that is deemed unacceptable will be rejected for use in the work.

Failure to stop production and make adjustments when required due to two consecutive moving average values falling outside the warning limits will subject all mix produced from the stop point tonnage to the tonnage point when the moving average is back on or within the warning limits or to the tonnage point when production is actually stopped, whichever occurs first, to being considered unacceptable. Remove this material and replaced with materials which comply with the specifications at no additional costs to the Department, unless otherwise approved. Payment will be made for the actual quantities of materials required to replace the removed quantities, not to exceed the original amounts.

(7) Allowable Retesting for Mix Deficiencies

The Contractor may elect to resample and retest for plant mix deficiencies when individual QC test(s) exceed one or more mix property target(s) by more than the tolerances indicated below. Perform the retesting within 10 days after initial test results are determined. Retesting shall be approved prior to being performed and in accordance with the Department's Guidelines for Retests of Plant Mix Deficiencies as shown in the *HMA/QMS Manual*. The Contractor, under the supervision of the Department's QA personnel will perform these retests. Retests for any mix deficiency other than as listed below will not be allowed unless otherwise permitted. Acceptance of the mix in question will be based on the retest data in accordance with Article 105-3.

The Department reserves the right to require the Contractor to resample and retest at any time or location as directed.

(a)	% Binder Content	--	by more than +/- 1.0%
(b)	1/2" Sieve (Types P 57 & FC-2 Mod)	--	by more than +/- 9.0%
(c)	3/8" Sieve (Excluding Type P 57)	--	by more than +/- 9.0%
(d)	No. 4 sieve	--	by more than +/- 9.0%
(e)	No. 8 sieve	--	by more than +/- 9.0%
(f)	No. 200 sieve	--	by more than +/- 3.0%
(g)	TSR (Ultrathin only)	--	by more by more than -15% from Specification limit

(8) Documentation (Records)

Document all quality control observations, records of inspection, samples taken, adjustments to the mix, and test results on a daily basis. Note the results of observations and records of inspection as they occur in a permanent field record. Record adjustment to mix production and test results on forms provided.

Identify any additional quality control samples taken and tested at times other than the regularly scheduled random samples or directed samples which take the

place of regularly scheduled as process control (PC) samples on the appropriate forms. Process Control test results shall not be plotted on control charts nor reported to Quality Assurance Laboratory. Process control sample test results are for the Contractor's informational purposes only.

Make all such records available to the Engineer, upon request, at any time during project construction. Complete all QC records and forms and distribute in accordance with the most current edition of the Department's *HMA/QMS Manual.* Maintain all QC records, forms and equipment calibrations for a minimum of 3 years from their completion date. Failure to maintain QC records and forms as required, or to provide these records and forms to the Engineer upon request, may result in production and/or placement stoppage until the problem is resolved.

Falsification of test results, documentation of observations, records of inspection, adjustments to the process, discarding of samples and/or test results, or any other deliberate misrepresentation of the facts will result in the revocation of the applicable person's QMS certification. The Engineer will determine acceptability of the mix and/or pavement represented by the falsified results or documentation. If the mix and/or pavement in question is determined to be acceptable, the Engineer may allow the mix to remain in place at no pay for the mix, asphalt binder and other mix components. If the mix and/or pavement represented by the falsified results are determined not to be acceptable, remove and replace with mix that complies with the Specifications. Payment will be made for the actual quantities of materials required to replace the falsified quantities, not to exceed the original amounts.

Quality Assurance

The Department's quality assurance program will be conducted by a certified QMS technician(s) and will be accomplished in the following ways:

Plant Mix Quality Assurance

(A) By conducting assurance testing of split samples obtained by the Contractor at a frequency equal to or greater than 5% of the frequency required of the Contractor;

(B) By periodically observing sampling and testing procedures performed by the Contractor;

(C) By monitoring required control charts exhibiting test results of control parameters;

(D) By directing the Contractor to take additional samples at any time and any location during production (in lieu of the next scheduled random sample for that increment);

(E) By conducting verification sampling and testing on samples taken independently of the Contractor's quality control samples at a frequency equal to or greater than 10% of the QC sample frequency; or

(F) By any combination of the above

The Engineer will periodically obtain quality assurance and verification samples for testing independently of the Contractor's quality control process. The Engineer will conduct assurance tests on both split QC samples taken by the Contractor and verification samples taken by the

Department. These samples may be the regular quality control samples or a sample selected by the Engineer from any location in the process, or verification samples taken at random by the Department. The Engineer may select any or all split samples for assurance testing.

Results of quality assurance tests will be provided to the Contractor within 3 working days after the sample has been obtained, except for verification TSR test results which will be provided within 7 calendar days.

Limits of Precision

Differences between the Contractor's and the Department's split sample test results will be considered acceptable if within the following limits of precision:

Mix Property	**Acceptable Limits of Precision**
Asphalt Binder Content	±0.5 %
1/2" Sieve (Types P 57 & FC-2 Mod. Only)	±6.0 %
3/8" Sieve (Excluding Type P 57)	±5.0 %
No. 4 Sieve	±5.0 %
No. 8 Sieve	±5.0 %
No. 200 Sieve	±2.0 %
TSR (Ultrathin HMA Only)	±15.0 %

The Engineer will immediately investigate the reason for differences if any of the following occur:

(A) QA test results of QC split sample does not meet above limits of precision, or

(B) QA test results of QC split sample does not meet the individual test control limits or the specification requirements, or

(C) QA verification sample test results exceed the allowable retesting tolerances.

If the potential for a pavement failure exist, the Engineer may suspend production, wholly or in part, in accordance with Article 108-7 while the investigation is in progress. The Engineer's investigation may include, but not be limited to the following:

(A) Joint testing of any remaining split samples,

(B) Review and observation of the QC technician's sampling and testing procedures,

(C) Evaluation and calibration of QC testing equipment, and/or

(D) Comparison testing of other retained quality control samples

If additional mix samples or core samples are necessary to resolve the difference, these samples will be taken as directed and tested jointly by the Contractor's quality control and Department's quality assurance personnel. If reasons for the difference cannot be determined, payment for the mix in question will be determined in accordance with Article 105-3. If the reason for the difference is determined to be an error or other discrepancy in the quality control test results, the applicable quality assurance test results or verification test results will be used to determine compliance with the applicable mix specification requirements.

The Engineer will periodically witness the sampling and testing being performed by the Contractor. If the Engineer observes that the sampling and quality control tests are not being performed in accordance with the applicable test procedures, the Engineer may stop production until corrective action is taken. The Engineer will promptly notify the Contractor of observed deficiencies, both verbally and in writing. The Engineer will document all witnessed samples and tests.

Acceptance

The Engineer will base final acceptance of the mix on the results of random testing made on split samples during the assurance process and validation of the Contractor's quality control process.

Measurement and Payment

Produce and construct all asphalt mixtures and pavements in accordance with these Specifications. There will be no direct payment for work covered by this specification. Payment at the contract unit prices for the various asphalt items will be full compensation for all work covered by these specifications.

PRICE ADJUSTMENT - ASPHALT BINDER FOR PLANT MIX:

(11-21-00) R6 R25

Price adjustments for asphalt binder for plant mix will be made in accordance with Section 620 of the *2006 Standard Specifications.*

The base price index for asphalt binder for plant mix is **$339.29** per ton.

This base price index represents an average of F.O.B. selling prices of asphalt binder at supplier's terminals on **September 1, 2007**.

ASPHALT CONCRETE SURFACE COURSE COMPACTION:

(7-1-95) R6 R49

Compact the asphalt surface course on this project in accordance with Subarticle 610-9 of the *2006 Standard Specifications* and the following provision:

Perform the first rolling with a steel wheel roller followed by rolling with a self-propelled pneumatic tired roller with the final rolling by a steel wheel roller.

RESURFACING EXISTING BRIDGES:

(7-1-95) R6 R61

The Contractor's attention is directed to the fact that he will be required to resurface the bridges on this project if directed by the Engineer.

Place the surface so as to follow a grade line set by the Engineer with the minimum thickness as shown on the sketch herein or as directed by the Engineer. State Forces will make all necessary repairs to the bridge floors prior to the time that the Contractor places the proposed surfacing. Give the Engineer at least 15 days notice prior to the expected time to begin operations so that State Forces will have sufficient time to complete their work.

At all bridges that are not to be resurfaced, taper out the proposed resurfacing layer adjacent to the bridges to insure a proper tie-in with the bridge surface.

GUARDRAIL ANCHOR UNITS, TYPE 350:

(4-20-04) R8 R65

Description

Furnish and install guardrail anchor units in accordance with the details in the plans, the applicable requirements of Section 862 of the *2006 Standard Specifications*, and at locations shown in the plans.

Materials

The Contractor may at his option, furnish any one of the guardrail anchor units.

Guardrail anchor unit (ET-2000) as manufactured by:

Trinity Industries, Inc.
2525 N. Stemmons Freeway
Dallas, Texas 75207
Telephone: 800-644-7976

The guardrail anchor unit (SKT 350) as manufactured by:

Road Systems, Inc.
3616 Old Howard County Airport
Big Spring, Texas 79720
Telephone: 915-263-2435

Prior to installation the Contractor shall submit to the Engineer:

(A) FHWA acceptance letter for each guardrail anchor unit certifying it meets the requirements of NCHRP Report 350, Test Level 3, in accordance with Section 106-2 of the Standard Specifications.

(B) Certified working drawings and assembling instructions from the manufacturer for each guardrail anchor unit in accordance with Section 105-2 of the Specifications.

No modifications shall be made to the guardrail anchor unit without the express written permission from the manufacturer. Perform installation in accordance with the details in the plans, and details and assembling instructions furnished by the manufacturer.

Construction Methods

Guardrail end delineation is required on all approach and trailing end sections for both temporary and permanent installations. Guardrail end delineation consists of yellow reflective sheeting applied to the entire end section of the guardrail in accordance with Section 1088-3 of the *2006 Standard Specifications* and is incidental to the cost of the guardrail anchor unit.

Measurement and Payment

Measurement and payment will be made in accordance with Articles 862-6 of the *2006 Standard Specifications*.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	**Pay Unit**
Guardrail Anchor Units, Type 350	Each

STEEL U-CHANNEL POSTS:
(7-18-06) R9 R02

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 9-15 Subarticle 903-3(D) first paragraph, last sentence, delete the last sentence and add the following:

Use posts of sufficient length to permit the appropriate sign mounting height. Spliced posts are not permitted on new construction.

SHIPPING SIGNS:
5-15-07 R9 R03

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 9-2, Section 901-3(A), General, add the following as the 7th paragraph:

Ship all multi-panel signs to the project intact, completely assembled and ready to be hung. Fabricate signs taller than 12 ft as 2 separate signs with a horizontal splice, ready to be spliced and hung. No assembly other than a horizontal splice will be permitted.

AGGREGATE PRODUCTION:
(11-20-01) (Rev. 11-21-06) R10 R05

Provide aggregate from a producer who uses the current Aggregate Quality Control/Quality Assurance Program which is in effect at the time of shipment.

No price adjustment is allowed to contractors or producers who use the program. Participation in the program does not relieve the producer of the responsibility of complying with all requirements of the *2006 Standard Specifications*. Copies of this procedure are available upon request from the Materials and Test Unit.

CONCRETE BRICK AND BLOCK PRODUCTION:
(11-20-01) (Rev. 11-21-06) R10 R10

Provide concrete brick and block from a producer who uses the current Solid Concrete Masonry Brick/Unit Quality Control/Quality Assurance Program that is in effect on the date that material is received on the project.

No price adjustment is allowed to contractors or producers who use the program. Participation in the program does not relieve the producer of the responsibility of complying with all requirements of the *2006 Standard Specifications*. Copies of this procedure are available upon request from the Materials and Test Unit.

GLASS BEADS:
(7-18-06) R10 R35

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 10-223, 1087-4(C) Gradation & Roundness

Replace the second sentence of the first paragraph with the following:

All Drop-On and Intermixed Glass Beads shall be tested in accordance with ASTM D1155.

Delete the last paragraph.

CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGNS
(11-21-06) R11 R11

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 11-9, Article 1120-3, Replace the 3rd sentence with the following:

Sign operator will adjust flash rate so that no more than two messages will be displayed and be legible to a driver when approaching the sign at the posted speed.

PAVEMENT MARKING LINES:
(11-21-06) (Rev. 9-18-07) RR12R01

Revise the *2006 Standard Specifications* as follows:

Page 12-2, 1205-3(D) Time Limitations for Replacement, add the following at the beginning of the chart:

Facility Type	Marking Type	Replacement Deadline
Full-control-of-access multi-lane roadway (4 or more total lanes) and ramps, including Interstates	All markings including symbols	By the end of each workday's operation if the lane is opened to traffic

Page 12-14, Subarticle 1205-10, Measurement and Payment, delete the first sentence of the first paragraph and replace with the following:

Pavement Marking Lines will be measured and paid for as the actual number of linear feet of pavement marking lines per application that has been satisfactorily placed and accepted by the Engineer.