# INFORMATIONAL PROPOSAL (For information only, not to be used for bidding)

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS LETTING DATE : June 26, 2003

CALL ORDER: N24 CONTRACT ID: 6330

CONTROL NO./SEQ. NO.: 61330 /000 PROJECT NO.: PEP-30-2(1028)

TENTATIVE START DATE: 09/08/03 CONTRACT TIME: 25 WORKING DAYS

LOCATION: US-30, MAXWELL WEST.

IN COUNTY: LINCOLN

BIDDER

GROUP 9 BITUMINOUS

NOTES

THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF WORK WHICH WILL BE ACCEPTED IN THIS LETTING IS LIMITED TO \$\_\_\_\_\_.

THE NUMBER OF \_\_\_\_\_ CONTRACTS WHICH WILL BE ACCEPTED IN THIS LETTING IS LIMITED TO \_\_\_\_.

# NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS

To report bid rigging activities, call: 1-800-424-9071

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) operates the above toll-free "hotline" Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. eastern time. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid rigging, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the "hotline" to report such activities.

The "hotline" is part of the DOT's continuing effort to identify and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially and caller anonymity will be respected.

# **LETTING QUESTIONS**

Prior to the letting, any questions pertaining to the Special Provisions or the plans for this project should be directed to Construction Division personnel at (402) 479-4568 or (402) 479-4529.

#### STATE OF NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS

#### Required Provisions Supplemental to the

# **Standard Specifications for Highway Construction**

#### I. Application

These contract provisions shall apply to all work performed on the contract by the contractor with his own organization and with the assistance of workmen under his immediate superintendence and to all work performed on the contract by piecework, station work, or by subcontract.

The contractor shall insert in each of his subcontracts all of the stipulations contained in the Special Provisions and these Required Provisions.

A breach of any of the stipulations contained in these Required Provisions may be grounds for termination of the contract.

#### II. Equal Opportunity

#### 1. Selection of Labor

During the performance of this contract, the contractor shall not discriminate against labor from any other state.

#### 2. Nebraska Fair Employment Practices Act

The contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment, to be employed in the performance of this contract with respect to his hire, tenure, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, because of his race, color, religion, sex or national origin. The contractor agrees to post in a conspicuous place or places a notice to be provided by the State Highway Department which sets forth excerpts of the Act.

## 3. Nebraska Equal Pay Act

The contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of sex by paying wages to employees of one sex at a lesser rate than the rate paid to employees of the opposite sex for comparable work on jobs which have comparable requirements. An abstract of the Act is included on the notice which is provided by the State Highway Department.

April 4, 1995

#### III. Employment of Labor

#### 1. General

No person under the age of sixteen (16) years, and no one whose age or physical condition is such as to make his employment dangerous to his health or safety, or to the health and safety of others shall be employed on any project. This paragraph shall not be construed to deny the employment of older people or physically handicapped persons, otherwise employable, where such persons may be safely assigned to work which they can ably perform.

No person currently serving sentence to a penal or correction institution shall be employed on any project.

Except as specifically provided under this section, workers who are qualified by training or experience to be assigned to projects of this character s hall not be discriminated against on any grounds whatsoever.

#### 2. Payrolls

Payrolls and basic records relating thereto will be maintained during the course of the work and preserved for a period of three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working on the site of the work.

The contractor's and subcontractor's payroll records shall be available for inspection by authorized representatives of the State Highway Department and authorized representatives of Federal Agencies.

The wages of labor shall be paid in legal tender of the United States, except that this condition will be considered satisfied if payment is made by a negotiable check, on a solvent bank, which may be cashed readily by the employee in the local community for the full amount, without discount or collection charges of any kind. Where checks are used for payment the contractor shall make all necessary arrangements for them to be cashed and shall give information regarding such arrangements.

No fee of any kind shall be asked or accepted by the contractor or any of his agents from any person as a condition of employment on the project.

No laborers shall be charged for any tools used in performing their respective duties except for reasonably avoidable loss or damage thereto.

Every employee on the work covered by this contract shall be permitted to lodge, board and trade where and with whom he elects and neither the contractor nor his agents, nor his employees shall directly or indirectly require as a condition of employment that an employee shall lodge, board or trade at a particular place or with a particular person.

No charge shall be made for any transportation furnished by the contractor or his agents to any person employed on the work.

No individual shall be employed as a laborer on this contract except on a wage basis, but this shall not be construed to prohibit the rental of teams, trucks or other equipment from individuals. No such rental agreement, or any charges for feed, gasoline, supplies, or repairs on account of such agreement, shall cause any deduction from the wages accruing to any employee except as authorized by the regulations hereinbefore cited.

# IV. Safety and Accident Prevention

In the performance of this contract, the contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws governing safety, health and sanitation. The contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions, on his own responsibility or as the contracting officer may determine, reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract.

# V. Subletting or Assigning the Contract

The contractor shall perform with his own organization contract work amounting to not less than 30 percent of the total contract amount except that any items designated in the contract as "Specialty Items" may be performed by subcontract and the amount of any such "Specialty Items" so performed may be deducted from the total contract amount before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the contractor with his own organization.

Any items that have been selected as "Specialty Items" for the contract are listed as such in the Special Provisions found elsewhere in the contract.

No portion of the contract shall be sublet, assigned, or otherwise disposed of except with the written consent of the contracting officer or his authorized representative. Requests for permission to sublet assign or otherwise dispose of any portion of the contract shall be in writing and accompanied by a showing that the organization which will perform the work is particularly experienced and equipped for such work. The contractor shall give assurance that the minimum wage for labor as stated in his proposal shall apply to labor performed on all work sublet, assigned or otherwise disposed of in any way. Consent to sublet, assign or otherwise dispose of any portion of the contract shall not be construed to relieve the contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract.

### SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR STATE PROJECT NO. PEP-30-2(1028)

# **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

Sealed bids for the work contemplated in this proposal form will be received at the office of the Nebraska Department of Roads in Room 104 of the Central Office Building at 1500 Highway 2 at Lincoln, Nebraska, on June 26, 2003, until 1:30 P.M.

Bids submitted by mail should be addressed to the Nebraska Department of Roads, c/o Contract Lettings Section, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759.

The 1997 English Edition of the Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, including all amendments and additions thereto effective at the date of the contract, are made a part of these Special Provisions, through reference.

The Supplemental Specifications to the 1997 English Edition of the Standard Specifications for Highway Construction dated July 12, 2001, including all amendments and additions thereto effective at the date of the contract, are made part of these Special Provisions, through reference.

The Required Provisions dated April 4, 1995, are attached to and are a part of this proposal form.

The attention of bidders is directed to the Required Provisions covering subletting or assigning the contract.

The proposal contains a statement that the contractor is complying with, and will continue to comply with, fair labor standards in the pursuit of his business and in the execution of the work contemplated in this proposal.

Fair labor standards shall be construed to mean such a scale of wages and conditions of employment as are paid and maintained by at least fifty per cent of the contractors in the same business or field of endeavor as the contractor filing this proposal.

# **STATUS OF UTILITIES**

No utilities have been or will be required to relocate within the limits of this project.

Underground utilities may exist within the limits of this project. The Contractor shall determine to his satisfaction the extent of occupancy of any underground utilities located within the respective construction areas and the extent of conflict with the proposed work under this contract.

Any utility adjustments or interruption of service for the convenience of the Contractor shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.

To arrange for utilities to locate and flag their underground facilities, contact The Diggers Hotline of Nebraska at 1-800-331-5666.

# STATUS OF RIGHT-OF-WAY (S1-16-0801)

According to the best information available, all necessary right-of-way has been acquired.

# REQUIRED SUBCONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER QUOTATIONS LIST (S1-43-0603)

At bid submittal, all bidders must provide to the NDR the identity of all firms who provided quotations on all projects, including both DBEs and non-DBEs. This information must be on a form provided by the NDR Contracts Office.

If no quotations were received, the bidder must indicate this in the space provided.

Each bidder will be required to submit one list per letting to cover all projects bid.

# CONTROL OF WORK (S1-43-0901)

Subsection 105.08 in the 1997 Standard Specifications is void and replaced by the following:

105.08 - Authority and Duty of the Inspector

Department inspectors are authorized to inspect all work performed and all materials furnished. Such inspection may extend to the preparation, fabrication, or manufacture of the materials. The inspector has the authority to reject work or materials until any issues can be decided, including the right to suspend work. The inspector is not authorized to alter or waive the provisions of the contract or act as a supervisor for the Contractor.

105.13 – Tentative Acceptance of Portions of the Project

Paragraph 3.a. of Subsection 105.13 is amended by deleting the word "normal".

# LEGAL RELATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITY TO THE PUBLIC (\$1-43-1001)

107.14 – Opening of Sections of the Project to Traffic

Subsection 107.14 Paragraphs 2.b.(1) and (2) are void and replaced by the following:

- 2.b. (1) Whenever the Department permits the public use of a highway undergoing construction, repair, or maintenance in lieu of a detour route, the Contractor shall not be held responsible for damages to those portions of the project upon which the Department permitted public use, when such damages are the result of no proximate act or failure to act on the part of the Contractor.
  - (2) If the traveling public should cause damage to the roadway, the Contractor shall assist the State in identifying the responsible party and the Contractor shall as a minimum if present at the time of the damage record pertinent information regarding the accident. (Who caused the damage; when the damage occurred; and how the damage occurred.)

107.15 – Contractor's Responsibility for Work

Subsection 107.15 is amended by adding Paragraph 1.b.(3) as follows:

(3) The Contractor shall not be held responsible for damage caused by the traveling public on those portions of the project where the Department has permitted public use of the road in lieu of using a detour route and the damage as not the result of any proximate act or failure to act on the part of the Contractor.

#### MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT (S1-43-0901)

109.08 - Acceptance, Final Payment, and Termination of Contractor's Responsibility

Subsection 109.08 Paragraph c. amended by deleting the word "normal".

Subsection 109.08 Paragraph d. is void and replaced by the following:

d. If the traveling public should cause damage to the roadway the Contractor shall assist the State in identifying the responsible party and the Contractor shall as a minimum if present at the time of the damage record pertinent information regarding the accident. (Who caused the damage; when the damage occurred; and how the damage occurred.)

# **CONSTRUCTION DETAILS**

# TRAFFIC CONTROL MANAGEMENT

#### **Description and General Requirements**

Paragraph 1. of Subsection 422.01 of the Specifications is void and superseded by the following:

- 1. This work consists of furnishing, installing at the locations shown on the plans, operating, maintaining, and when work is complete, removing the temporary traffic control devices described in this Section. This work shall also consist of providing Traffic Control Management by furnishing one or more qualified individuals who shall be specifically responsible for performing or supervising the installation, inspection, maintenance, and removal of those devices.
- 2. When project conditions warrant, the Engineer may suspend the need for Traffic Control Management and will notify the Contractor accordingly. The Contractor shall be given at least three days' notice of the suspension, but the work may be suspended in a lesser time if mutually acceptable to the Department and the Contractor. During periods when no payment is being made for Traffic Control Management under this Special Provision, this provision will not apply.

Paragraphs 2.i., 2.j.(2)(ii), and 2.k. of Subsection 422.01 of the Specifications are void; and Paragraph 2. of Subsection 422.01 of the Specifications and Supplemental Specifications is amended to include the following:

- p.(1) The Contractor shall designate an individual, other than the project superintendent, to be the Traffic Control Manager for the project. This person shall be certified as a Traffic Control Supervisor or Traffic Control Technician by the American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA). Other certifications may be accepted if approved by the Engineer. The Traffic Control Manager shall also possess a current Flagger Certification Card. Copies of the Traffic Control Manager's certifications shall be provided to the Engineer prior to the installation of any traffic control devices on the project.
  - (2) The Contractor may also designate one or more Assistant Traffic Control Managers for the project. These individuals shall be qualified by certification as a Traffic Control Technician by the American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA) or other training or *qualification* satisfactory to the Engineer.
- q. The Traffic Control Manager or Assistant Traffic Control Manager shall be available and reasonably accessible (within 30 minutes) to the project during normal working hours on every day that work is being performed on the project and always on call at other times. During other than normal working hours, these individuals shall respond and be on the project within 60 minutes of notice being given that traffic control items on the project are in need of attention. The Contractor may elect to have an employee or employees perform this function simultaneously on more than one project, but shall not be relieved from the sanctions or disincentives that may be imposed for failure to meet the deadlines specified herein.
- r. The Traffic Control Manager's or Assistant Traffic Control Manager's activities on the project shall be dedicated to the purpose of monitoring and maintaining the traffic control

devices. The performance of other crafts or trades will be permitted, but shall be secondary to the performance of duties associated with traffic control.

- s. The Contractor shall provide prior to the installation of any traffic control devices on the project two to four telephone numbers where the Traffic Control Manager or an Assistant Traffic Control Manager may be reached 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- t. The Traffic Control Manager or Assistant Traffic Control Manager shall have available at all times an approved, current version of the Traffic Control Plan.
- u. If corrective action is not taken by the Contractor within the times specified in Paragraph 2.q., the Engineer may suspend all work on the project until the problem is corrected. The Engineer shall make reasonable allowance for existing weather conditions in the case of materials whose installation is governed by temperature or other atmospheric conditions.

#### **Construction Methods**

Subsection 422.03 of the Standard Specifications is amended to include the following:

- 19. The Traffic Control Manager's or Assistant Traffic Control Manager's duties shall include:
  - a. Insuring that all traffic control devices are functioning properly, are clean, and are correctly located as shown on the Traffic Control Plan or as directed by the Engineer. This provision in no way restricts the cleaning, repair, and maintenance of traffic control devices to the Traffic Control Manager or his or her assistants.
  - b. Inspecting all traffic control devices on every calendar day that traffic control devices are in place, whether in use or covered. Inspections shall take place a minimum of twice daily, and at least two inspections shall be eight hours apart. However, during or following periods of inclement weather or when the situation warrants for other reasons, inspections shall be done more frequently. At least 1 inspection each week shall occur during hours of darkness. The Traffic Control Manager or Assistant Traffic Control Manager shall perform the inspections.
  - c. Monitoring the cleaning and maintenance of all traffic control devices and the placement of temporary pavement markings.
  - d. Completing a Traffic Control Inspection form provided by the Engineer at the completion of each inspection. These forms shall be submitted daily to the Engineer, either in person or via facsimile transmission.
  - e. Monitoring flagging operations on the project. The Traffic Control Manager or Assistant Traffic Control Manager shall not act as a flagger, except in an emergency or when providing relief for short periods of time.
  - f. Coordinating all traffic control operations, including those of subcontractors and suppliers.
  - g. Coordinating traffic-related activities with the appropriate law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical agencies.
  - h. Attending all project scheduling meetings.

# Method of Measurement

Subsection 422.04 of the Standard Specifications and Supplemental Specifications is amended to include the following:

- 21. (1) Traffic Control Management is measured by the day for the actual number of days management and inspection are required and provided. Payment will only be made for one day of Traffic Control Management during each midnight-to-midnight period regardless of the number of Traffic Control Managers or assistants required to adequately perform the work.
  - (2) No measurement will be made when the Engineer has suspended the need for Traffic Control Management and notified the Contractor accordingly.

#### Basis of Payment

Paragraph 1. of Subsection 422.05 of the Standard Specifications and Supplemental Specifications is amended to include the following:

| Pay Item                   | Pay Unit |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Traffic Control Management | Day (d)  |

Paragraph 15. of Subsection 422.05 of the Supplemental Specifications is renumbered to be Paragraph 16. Subsection 422.05 of the Standard Specifications and Supplemental Specifications is amended to include the following:

- 15. With regard to inspection, maintenance, and repair of temporary traffic control devices, an assessment in the amount of \$500 per occurrence per day shall be charged to the Contractor when any of the following occur (these assessments shall be in addition to any other liquidated damages which may be assessed):
  - a. The Contractor fails to respond within the timeframe specified in Paragraph 2.q. of the amended Subsection 422.01 of the Standard Specifications. Response time shall begin when:
    - 1) The Engineer notifies the Contractor of deficiencies in person;
    - 2) The Engineer makes notification of deficiencies via the 24-hour phone number(s) provided by the Contractor; or
    - The Engineer leaves a message or receives no answer at the number(s) provided;
  - b. The Contractor fails to begin corrective actions to repair, replace, remove, relocate, or clean any traffic control devices or pavement markings within two hours of the completion of an inspection that uncovers deficiencies or within two hours of notification of deficiencies by the Engineer.
  - c. The Contractor fails to begin corrective actions to repair, replace, remove, relocate, or clean any traffic control devices or pavement markings within two hours of documented notification by an official law enforcement agency.
  - d. The Contractor fails to make or report the inspections prescribed in this specification.

e. The Engineer observes and documents any occurrence of the Contractor or his or her subcontractors flagrantly disregarding the necessary maintenance of traffic control devices that are in obvious need of attention.

# TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES (S4-9-1201)

Paragraphs 2.a. of Subsection 422.05 in the Standard Specifications is void and superseded by the following:

2.a. If signs are not returned or are returned damaged, and the damage is beyond reasonable "wear and tear" and the damage was caused by the Contractor, then the Contractor shall be charged the value of the missing or damaged items. These charges shall be deducted from monies due the Contractor upon final payment.

# TYPE B HIGH INTENSITY WARNING LIGHTS (S4-9-1002)

All references in the plans to Type B High Intensity Warning Lights shall be considered void. The plans will not be revised to reflect this change.

# LOCAL MATERIAL SOURCES (S5-1-0801)

Information regarding possible sources of local materials is available at the Materials and Research Division of the Department of Roads, Lincoln, Nebraska.

# ASPHALTIC CONCRETE (S5-5-0801)

Paragraph 5. of Subsection 503.02 in the Standard Specifications is void.

# ASPHALTIC CONCRETE (S5-7-0902)

Paragraph 11.a. in Subsection 503.04 of the 2001 Supplemental Specifications is void.

Paragraph 4 in Subsection 503.05 of the 1997 Standard Specifications is void.

The pay item "Asphalt Pavement Smoothness Testing" in Subsection 503.06 of the 1997 Standard Specifications is void.

# ASPHALTIC CONCRETE PAVEMENT SMOOTHNESS (S5-7-0902)

Section 502 in the 1997 Standard Specifications for Highway Construction and the 2001 Supplemental Specifications is void and superseded by the following:

# 502.01 – General

- 1. This specification establishes a standard for asphaltic concrete pavement smoothness, and defines defective pavement smoothness. The intent of the specification is to produce a finished asphaltic concrete pavement driving surface with a Profile Index no greater than 12 inches per mile. Pavement smoothness will be evaluated as prescribed in this section.
- 2. When the pay item "Asphalt Pavement Smoothness Testing I/D" is included in the contract, all the requirements of the following sections including the incentive/disincentive provisions shall apply.
- 3. When the pay item "Asphalt Pavement Smoothness Testing" is included in the contract, the incentive/disincentive provisions of this section do not apply, but the smoothness testing shall be performed as prescribed. The asphaltic concrete pavement shall be evaluated in accordance with Paragraph 11. b. of Subsection 503.04 in the 2001 Supplemental Specifications.
- 4. When the contract contains no item for smoothness testing, the asphaltic concrete pavement shall be evaluated in accordance with Paragraph 11. b. of Subsection 503.04 in the 2001 Supplemental Specifications.

# 502.02 – Equipment

- 1. The Contractor shall furnish a 25-ft California profilograph approved by the Nebraska Department of Roads.
- 2. The profilograph shall have multiple, non-uniformly spaced, articulated support wheels arranged such that no two wheels pass the same location on the pavement surface at the same time (ASTM Designation: E 1274, Paragraph 5.1.2)
- 3. The profilograph shall be equipped with a computerized system that will record, analyze, and print the test data.

- 4. The profilograph shall produce a printed pavement profile trace (profilogram) with a vertical scale of 1:1, and a horizontal scale of 1:300 (1" paper = 25' pavement). The profilogram shall include the following information:
  - a. Project number
  - b. Test date
  - c. Traffic lane
  - d. Test direction
  - e. Test path
  - f. Pass number (1 for initial test; 2, 3, etc. for repeat runs)
  - g. Operator's name
  - h. Project stations
  - i. Data filter values
  - j. Blanking (Null) band width
  - k. Profile counts for each test section
  - I. Profile Index for each test section
  - m. Bump locations for each test section

#### 502.03 – Certification and Independent Assurance Testing

- 1. The Department shall calibrate and certify the Contractor's profilograph annually at a test site established by the Department.
  - a. The profilograph shall be inspected for compliance with general equipment requirements, including wheel configuration, effective length, data analysis system, guidance system, and overall condition.
  - b. The profilograph shall be calibrated for distance measurement by moving it over the prescribed path of a premeasured test distance at walking speed, and determining its distance calibration factor.
  - c. The profilograph shall be checked for vertical measurement accuracy by placing a 1-inch and 2-inch calibration block, measured to the nearest 0.01 inch, under the sensing wheel while the profilograph is stationary. The vertical measurement indicated by the profilograph shall be within 4.0% tolerance of the actual premeasured block height.
  - d. The profilograph shall be checked for overall performance by moving it over the prescribed path of a pre-measured pavement test section at walking speed.
  - e. Distance measurement indicated by the profilograph shall be within 0.2% tolerance of the actual premeasured test section distance. To ensure accurate distance measurement during test runs, the air pressure of the distance measurement tire must always be maintained at the same level used for calibration.
  - f. The Profile Index reported by the profilograph for the test section shall be within 10.0% tolerance of the Profile Index reported by a Nebraska Department of Roads profilograph for the same test section.
  - g. A dated and signed decal will be placed on the profilograph to certify its acceptability for use on Nebraska Department of Roads pavement construction projects.

- 2. The Department shall certify the Contractor's profilograph operator at least every 5 years. The operator may be certified by presenting certification from another State Highway Agency or by completing certification training conducted by the Nebraska Department of Roads.
- 3. The Department shall schedule and perform Independent Assurance tests for the Contractor's profilographs and operators at least once per construction season. Independent Assurance testing shall be conducted at a randomly selected time on an active construction project. The criteria for the test will be similar to those used for certification.

# 502.04 – Profilograph Test Procedures

- 1. The Contractor shall perform all pavement smoothness specification tests except the 10-foot straight edge testing as shown in Paragraph 16. below:
- 2. The Engineer shall furnish a report form to the Contractor identifying all required test sections.
  - a. The pavement surface shall be divided into lane-width segments that end at a bridge, railroad crossing, or other designated termini.
  - b. The lane-width segments shall be further divided into individual 528 feet
    (0.10 mile) long test sections in the direction of project stationing. The last test section in a segment is usually shorter than 528 feet.
  - c. If a test section is less than 300 feet long, it shall be combined with the preceding 528 feet long test section for analysis.
- 3. The Contractor's certified profilograph operator shall perform smoothness specification tests in the Engineer's presence. Smoothness testing shall be performed during normal daylight working hours unless otherwise approved by the Engineer. If the Contractor notifies the Engineer of a proposed test and the Engineer elects not to be present, then the Contractor may proceed unaccompanied.
- 4. The Contractor shall report test results to the Engineer within 2 NDR workdays after initial asphaltic concrete placement or surface corrective work. The Contractor shall report additional test results to the Engineer as soon as possible, but not later than 7 calendar days after completion of the mainline pavement.
- 5. The asphaltic concrete pavement surface temperature shall be 150 degrees F. or lower when smoothness tests are performed.
- 6. The profilograph operator shall perform pavement smoothness measurements in the right-hand or left-hand wheel path of all driving lanes, as directed by the Engineer, including climbing and fly-by lanes. In urban areas, where inlet block-outs or manholes are in the right or left-hand wheel path, the pavement smoothness measurements shall be made in a location determined by the Engineer. All wheels of the profilograph shall be on the new pavement for which the Contractor is responsible.
- 7. The Contractor shall remove all objects and foreign material from the pavement surface before testing.

- 8. The profilograph operator shall guide the profilograph along the specified wheel path of each traffic lane at walking speed. Propulsion may be by personnel pushing manually, or by a suitable propulsion unit that does not exceed a speed of 4 miles per hour. Excessive speed can produce erratic test results.
- 9. A lateral location indicator shall be used to keep the profilograph in the required test path during testing. Pavement edges, longitudinal joints, or longitudinal pavement markings may be used as reference lines. An additional person may be required to hold the back end of the profilograph on the required path on horizontal curves.
- 10. Before testing, the profilograph operator shall lower the profilograph's recording wheel to the pavement surface and move the profilograph forward to the beginning location of a test section to stabilize the measurement system. To ensure consistent distance measurement, the profilograph operator shall also check and adjust the recording wheel tire pressure several times a day.
- 11. All station references on the profilograms and report forms shall be actual project stations. Stations shall be accurately noted on the profilogram at least every 200 feet.
- 12. The profilograph operator and the Engineer shall sign the profilograms immediately after completion of the tests. If the Engineer was not present at the time of the tests, then the absence shall be noted on the profilograms.
- 13. The Engineer shall perform or schedule verification tests on at least 10 percent of the pavement surface, using a profilograph owned by the Department.
- 14. If the verification test, Independent Assurance tests, or other observations indicate that the Contractor's procedures and/or results are not acceptable or accurate, the Engineer may do any of the following:
  - a. require the Contractor to calibrate the profilograph and re-run the tests.
  - b. disqualify the Contractor's equipment and/or operator.
  - c. perform the tests for part, or all, of the project with a profilograph owned by the Department, and charge the Contractor \$500.00 per lane mile for all testing done by the Department.
- 15. The following areas of pavement shall be excluded from the Profile Index, unless otherwise specified in the Special Provisions.
  - a. Pavement on horizontal curves having a centerline radius of curvature of less than 1,000 feet, and pavement within the superelevation transition of such curves.
  - b. Pavement within 50 feet of a transverse joint that separates the pavement from an approach slab to a bridge deck or existing pavement not constructed under the contract.
  - c. Pavement for truck weigh stations or rest areas, acceleration/deceleration lanes, and interchange ramps and loops.

- d. Pavement within 50 feet of railroad crossings and associated transitions.
- e. Pavement with a posted speed limit of 45 miles per hour or less.
- f. Pavement where the Engineer requires the contractor to open an area prematurely to cross traffic at intersections and driveways.
- g. Additional exceptions shown on the summary sheet in the plans.
- 16. Excluded pavement sections shall be measured for bumps with either a profilograph or a 10-foot straight edge. If the profilograph is used, the deviation shall not exceed 0.40 inch. The deviation of the surface shall not exceed 1/8 inch, if a 10-foot straightedge is used.

#### 502.05 – Evaluation

- 1. The Contractor shall determine a Profile Index and number of correctable bumps and dips for each test section, record the information on the report form, and provide a copy of the report, along with the corresponding profilograms, to the Engineer.
  - a. The Profile Index shall be calculated by adding the absolute value of the vertical deviations (inches) outside of a 0.1 inch blanking band and dividing the sum by the length of the test section (miles). The resulting Profile Index is in units of inches per mile.
  - b. Correctable bumps shall be separately identified on the profilograms. They appear as high points on the profilogram and correspond to high points on the pavement surface. Correctable bumps are vertical deviations on the pavement surface that exceed 0.40 inch in height above a base line span of 25 feet.
  - c. Correctable dips shall be separately identified on the profilograms. They appear as low points on the profilogram and correspond to low points on the pavement surface. Correctable dips are vertical deviations on the pavement surface that exceed 0.40 inch in depth below a base line span of 25 feet.

#### 502.06 – Pavement Surface Correction

- 1. The Contractor shall locate and perform all required pavement surface corrective work, with the approval of and in the presence of, the Engineer.
- 2. Corrective work may be required for any bump, dip, or a combination of bumps and dips or other roughness that, in the opinion of the Engineer, produces an objectionable ride. Corrective work shall be accomplished at no cost to the Department.
  - a. When the initial Profile Index of a test section is 21 in/mi or less, bump and dip correction is the only corrective work allowed for that section.
  - b. When the Profile Index of a test section exceeds 21 in/mi, corrective work shall be performed.
  - c. The Contractor shall retest all corrected test sections with the profilograph.

- 3. All bumps, as defined in Subsection 502.05, Paragraph 1.b., and all test sections with a Profile Index exceeding 21 in/mi shall be corrected by diamond grinding.
  - a. Bumps shall be considered corrected when they are at or below the 0.40 inch maximum height.
  - b. Sections with a Profile Index exceeding 21 in/mi shall be considered corrected when the Profile Index for that section has been reduced to a value of 21 in/mi or less.
- 4. All dips, as defined in Subsection 502.05, Paragraph 1.c., shall be corrected until they are at or below the 0.40 inch maximum depth. The Contractor shall have the following options:
  - a. diamond grind on either or both sides of the dip,
  - b. with the approval of the Engineer, remove and replace a sufficient length of the surface layer to correct the deficiency, under the following conditions:
    - (1) The Contractor shall furnish replacement material that meets the original specifications for the material removed.
    - (2) Removal and replacement shall be for the full lane width.
  - c. a combination of the grinding and removal and replacement methods, or
  - d. with the approval of the Engineer, elect to leave an uncorrected or partially corrected dip in place for a monetary deduction.
- 5. Diamond grinding equipment used for surface correction shall be power driven, self-propelled units specifically designed to grind and texture pavements. The cutting head shall be at least 36 inches wide and consist of many diamond blades with spacers. The Engineer may approve equipment with a narrower width for irregular and confined areas, which will not accommodate larger equipment, and for bumps of limited number and area.

#### 502.07 - Traffic Control

The Contractor shall provide all traffic control for smoothness testing and corrective work at no cost to the Department.

#### 502.08 - Method of Measurement

- 1. "Asphalt Pavement Smoothness Testing I/D" and "Asphalt Pavement Smoothness Testing" shall be measured on a lump sum basis.
- 2. a. When the pay item "Asphalt Pavement Smoothness Testing I/D" is included in the contract, the unit price of the accepted quantity of asphaltic concrete pavement and performance graded binder in the surface layer of each profilograph test section shall be adjusted according to the schedule in Table 502.01, subject to the limitations in Paragraphs 3 and 4 of this Subsection. Pavement sections excluded from this smoothness specification shall not qualify for incentive pay.

b. When the pay item "Asphalt Pavement Smoothness Testing " is included in the contract, the incentive/disincentive provisions of this Subsection do not apply.

| Payment Adjustment Schedule           |                               |  |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Profile Index<br>Inches Per Lane Mile | Percent of<br>Contract Prices |  |
| 0 to 2                                | 107                           |  |
| Greater than 2 to 4                   | 105                           |  |
| Greater than 4 to 6                   | 103                           |  |
| Greater than 6 to 8                   | 102                           |  |
| Greater than 8 to 12                  | 100                           |  |
| Greater than 12 to 14                 | 98                            |  |
| Greater than 14 to 16                 | 96                            |  |
| Greater than 16 to 18                 | 94                            |  |
| Greater than 18 to 20                 | 92                            |  |
| Greater than 20 to 21                 | 90                            |  |
| Greater than 21                       | Corrective Work Required      |  |

#### Table 502.01

- 3. When the initial Profile Index of a test section is 21 in/mi or less, that value shall determine the percent of incentive pay for the section unless bump and dip correction performed in that section increases the percent of pay.
- 4. When the initial Profile Index of a test section is greater than 21 in/mi, corrective work performed in that section may increase the percent of pay up to the level indicated in Table 502.01.

#### 502.09 – Basis of Payment

1. When the pay item "Asphalt Pavement Smoothness Testing I/D" is included in the contract, the overall pay factor for the accepted quantity of asphaltic concrete and performance graded binder in the surface layer of all profilograph test sections shall be determined according to the formula in Table 502.02.

#### Table 502.02

|   | Pay Factor Formula |  |  |
|---|--------------------|--|--|
| PF = <u>A(1.07) + B+(1.05) + C(1.03) + D(1.02) + E(1.00) + F(0.98) + G(0.96) + H(0.94) + I(0.92) + J(0.90)</u><br>A + B + C + D + E + F + G + H + I + J |                    |  |  |
| Where:  |                    |  |  |
| А   | =                  | Length of pavement with a Profile Index of 0 to 2 inches per mile.             |  |
| В   | =                  | Length of pavement with a Profile Index greater than 2 to 4 inches per mile.   |  |
| С   | =                  | Length of pavement with a Profile Index greater than 4 to 6 inches per mile.   |  |
| D   | =                  | Length of pavement with a Profile Index greater than 6 to 8 inches per mile.   |  |
| E   | =                  | Length of pavement with a Profile Index greater than 8 to 12 inches per mile.  |  |
| F   | =                  | Length of pavement with a Profile Index greater than 12 to 14 inches per mile. |  |
| G   | =                  | Length of pavement with a Profile Index greater than 14 to 16 inches per mile. |  |
| Н   | =                  | Length of pavement with a Profile Index greater than 16 to 18 inches per mile. |  |
| I   | =                  | Length of pavement with a Profile Index greater than 18 to 20 inches per mile. |  |
| J   | =                  | Length of pavement with a Profile Index greater than 20 to 21 inches per mile. |  |

- 2. The Contractor shall be assessed \$500 each for all uncorrected or partially corrected dips left in place.
- 3. The work of Asphalt pavement Smoothness Testing I/D" and "Asphalt Pavement Smoothness Testing" shall be paid at the lump sum contract unit price. This price shall be full compensation for all smoothness testing as set forth in this specification.

# COLD MILLING CLASS 3 AND COLD MILLING CLASS 3 TYPE A

Under no circumstance shall the contractor mill a greater depth from the roadway than is shown in the plans.

Existing mainline surfacing material is Type AX Asphaltic Concrete. Existing shoulder surfacing material is Type R Asphaltic Concrete.

Milling for the asphaltic concrete inlays and transitions will be measured and paid for as Cold Milling Class 3.

Salvaged material produced on this project is the property of the State, but shall be furnished for use on this project at no cost to the Contractor.

Salvaged material shall be stockpiled at a site provided by the State. The State provided stockpile site is located on I-80 at the Newberry Interchange at approximate Reference Post 179+80, as directed by the Engineer.

# **CONCRETE PAVEMENT JOINT REPAIR**

Section 605 in the Standard Specifications and Supplemental Specifications is amended to include the following:

Approximately 5 lane joints will require the full depth joint repair.

Paragraph 6. of Subsection 605.01 is amended to include the following:

When performing this operation on multi-lane highways, the Contractor will be permitted to have one lane closed at night. Where the pavement has been removed, the Contractor will be required to have the excavated area filled with either (1) the appropriate patching concrete material for curing overnight, or (2) a commercially available cold-mix bituminous mixture or other suitable temporary patch material with a durable surface, as directed by the Engineer. The next day, the Contractor will then be required to remove any "temporary patches", thoroughly clean the repair area and complete the required permanent patch so that the lane can be opened to traffic by the end of the second day. The material, installation, removal and disposal of these temporary patches will not be measured and paid for directly, but shall be considered subsidiary to the concrete pavement repair work being performed.

Subsection 605.01 is amended to include the following:

7. The asphalt surfacing on the concrete may be milled prior to or after performing the joint repair work. The Contractor has the option to pour the repair to the top of the existing asphalt surfacing before or after milling. On single lift projects, if the Contractor elects to pour the concrete to the top of the asphalt surfacing, the Contractor will be required to place an asphalt wedge over the repair immediately prior to placing the asphalt surfacing. The asphalt wedge shall be approximately 1 inch thick over the repair tapered to 0 inches in 10 feet on each side of the repair parallel to the centerline. The depth of the existing asphalt is approximately 5 inches. If the Contractor elects to pour the concrete to the top of the existing asphalt surfacing, and the existing asphalt is greater than 1 inch deeper than is shown here, then the Contractor shall be paid the invoice price per cubic yard for the extra concrete needed. If the Contractor elects to pour concrete to the top of the existing concrete and use asphaltic concrete to finish filling the repair area, it shall be either Asphaltic Concrete for Patching as shown in the plans or temporary asphaltic concrete. Temporary asphaltic concrete shall be any asphaltic concrete approved by the Engineer. The material installation, maintenance, removal and disposal of temporary asphaltic concrete will not be measured and paid for, but shall be considered subsidiary to the item "Concrete Pavement, Class "PR" Joint Repair". Asphaltic concrete used to finish filling the repair area shall be the Asphaltic Concrete For Patching as shown on the plans and shall be paid for at the contract unit price per ton.

The last sentence of Paragraph 2. of Subsection 605.04 is void.

Paragraphs 16. and 17. of Subsection 605.04 are void.

Paragraph 19.a. of Subsection 605.04 is amended to include the following:

When joint repairs are overlaid with asphaltic concrete, the curing method shall be with tack coat, RC-70, or an approved asphalt emulsion.

Paragraph 21. of Subsection 605.04 is amended to include the following:

b. Class PR1 Concrete may be used for concrete repair if the repaired area is to remain closed to traffic for at least 24 hours.

- c. Class PR3 Concrete shall be used for all concrete repair if the repaired areas must be opened to traffic within 24 hours.
- d. Strength measurements for the opening and the 24-hour pay strengths of the PR1 and PR3 Concrete may be performed using the maturity meter method.

Paragraphs 24. a. and 24. b. of Subsection 605.04 are void.

Paragraphs 25. b. (1) and 25. b. (2) of Subsection 605.04 are void and superseded by the following:

A full depth diamond blade saw cut shall be made and dowel bars and/or tie bars anchored into the faces of the existing concrete as designated in the plans. A full depth cut approximately 4 inches(100 mm) wide may be made with a wheel cutter through the repair section if the repair will be overlaid. The wheel-type cutter shall be operated to produce minimum disturbance of the foundation course material, with no encroachment of the cut into the concrete of the adjoining lane.

Dowel bars or tie bars shall be anchored into the faces of the existing concrete as designated in the plans. To provide proper alignment, a drill approved by the Engineer shall be used to install the dowel bars. The drill shall be capable of drilling the holes parallel to the surface of the pavement and to the centerline of the highway  $\pm 1/8$  inch. The dowel bar holes shall be drilled in the same plane  $\pm 1/8$  inch and at the spacing shown in the plans. The tie bars can be drilled independently. The drilled holes shall be thoroughly cleaned with compressed air to remove all dust, dirt, loose material and moisture.

After cleaning and prior to dowel or tie bar insertion, an application of grout shall be made at the back of the hole. The grout shall be from the Approved Products List. Twist the dowel or tie bar one full turn during insertion to completely surround it with the grout. Grout retention disks shall be placed on the bars as designated in the plans. The furnishing and installation of dowel and tie bars will not be paid for directly but shall be considered subsidiary to the concrete pavement or joint repair work being performed.

Paragraph 25. c. of Subsection 605.04 is amended to include the following:

Any loosened foundation course material shall be removed and replaced with concrete.

The last sentence of Paragraph 25. d. of Subsection 605.04 is void.

Paragraph 1. of Subsection 605.06 is amended to include the following:

| Pay Item                        | Pay Unit                       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Concrete Povement               | Square Yard (SY)               |
| Concrete Pavement, Joint Repair | Square Meter (m <sup>2</sup> ) |

# **CONCRETE PAVEMENT REPAIR**

Section 605 in the Standard Specifications and Supplemental Specifications is amended to include the following:

Paragraph 6. of Subsection 605.01 is amended to include the following:

When performing this operation on multi-lane highways, the Contractor will be permitted to have one lane closed at night. Where the pavement has been removed, the Contractor will be required to have the excavated area filled with either (1) the appropriate patching concrete material for curing overnight, or (2) a commercially available cold-mix bituminous mixture or other suitable temporary patch material with a durable surface, as directed by the Engineer. The next day, the Contractor will then be required to remove any "temporary patches", thoroughly clean the repair area and complete the required permanent patch so that the lane can be opened to traffic by the end of the second day. The material, installation, removal and disposal of these temporary patches will not be measured and paid for directly, but shall be considered subsidiary to the concrete pavement repair work being performed.

Subsection 605.01 is amended to include the following:

7. The asphalt surfacing on the concrete may be milled prior to or after performing the pavement repair work. The Contractor has the option to pour the repair to the top of the existing asphalt surfacing before or after milling. On single lift projects, if the Contractor elects to pour the concrete to the top of the asphalt surfacing, the Contractor will be required to place an asphalt wedge over the repair immediately prior to placing the asphalt surfacing. The asphalt wedge shall be approximately 1 inch thick over the repair tapered to 0 inches in 10 feet on each side of the repair parallel to the centerline. The depth of the existing asphalt is approximately 5 inches If the Contractor elects to pour the concrete to the top of the existing asphalt surfacing, and the existing asphalt is greater than 1 inch deeper than is shown here, then the Contractor shall be paid the invoice price per cubic vard for the extra concrete needed. If the Contractor elects to pour concrete to the top of the existing concrete and use asphaltic concrete to finish filling the repair area, it shall be either Asphaltic Concrete for Patching as shown in the plans or temporary asphaltic concrete. Temporary asphaltic concrete shall be any asphaltic concrete approved by the Engineer. The material installation, maintenance, removal and disposal of temporary asphaltic concrete will not be measured and paid for, but shall be considered subsidiary to the item "Concrete Pavement Repair, Type A, B or C, Full Depth". Asphaltic concrete used to finish filling the repair area shall be the Asphaltic Concrete For Patching as shown on the plans and shall be paid for at the contract unit price per ton.

The last sentence of Paragraph 2. of Subsection 605.04 is void.

Paragraph 10. of Subsection 605.04 is void.

Paragraph 16. of Subsection 605.04 is void and superseded by the following:

The minimum concrete placement shall be as shown in the plans or as directed by the engineer. Interior transverse joints shall be sawed to a minimum of one-third the actual thickness of the slab at the spacing designated in the plans.

Paragraphs 17. and 18. of Subsection 605.04 are void.

Paragraph 19.a. of Subsection 605.04 is amended to include the following:

When pavement repairs are overlaid with asphaltic concrete, the curing method shall be with tack coat, RC-70, or an approved asphalt emulsion.

Paragraph 21. of Subsection 605.04 is amended to include the following:

- b. Class PR1 Concrete may be used for concrete repair if the repaired area is to remain closed to traffic for at least 24 hours.
- c. Class PR3 Concrete shall be used for all concrete repair if the repaired areas must be opened to traffic within 24 hours.
- d. Strength measurements for the opening and the 24-hour pay strengths of the PR1 and PR3 Concrete may be performed using the maturity meter method.

Paragraphs 24. a. and b. of Subsection 605.04 are void.

Paragraphs 25. b. (1) and 25. b. (2) of Subsection 605.04 are void and superseded by the following:

A full depth diamond blade saw cut shall be made and dowel bars and/or tie bars anchored into the faces of the existing concrete as designated in the plans. A full depth cut approximately 4 inches wide may be made with a wheel cutter through the repair section if the repair will be overlaid. The wheel-type cutter shall be operated to produce minimum disturbance of the foundation course material, with no encroachment of the cut into the concrete of the adjoining lane.

Dowel bars shall be placed on the transverse joint on the longer side of the panel to minimize the panel length. A minimum of 2 tie bars shall be placed on each side of a full depth pavement repair as designated in the plans.

Dowel bars or tie bars shall be anchored into the faces of the existing concrete as designated in the plans. To provide proper alignment, a drill approved by the Engineer shall be used to install the dowel bars. The drill shall be capable of drilling the holes parallel to the surface of the pavement and to the centerline of the highway  $\pm 1/8$  inch. The dowel bar holes shall be drilled in the same plane  $\pm 1/8$  inch and at the spacing shown in the plans. The tie bars can be drilled independently. The drilled holes shall be thoroughly cleaned with compressed air to remove all dust, dirt, loose material and moisture.

After cleaning and prior to dowel or tie bar insertion, an application of grout shall be made at the back of the hole. The grout shall be from the Approved Products List. Twist the dowel or tie bar one full turn during insertion to completely surround it with the grout. Grout retention disks shall be placed on the bars as designated in the plans. The furnishing and installation of dowel and tie bars will not be paid for directly but shall be considered subsidiary to the concrete pavement or joint repair work being performed.

Paragraph 25. c. of Subsection 605.04 is amended to include the following:

Any loosened foundation course material shall be removed and replaced with concrete.

Paragraph 25. d. of Subsection 605.04 is void.

Subsection 605.05 in the 1997 Standard Specifications is amended to provide that adjoining full depth repair areas of varying widths in the same traffic lane, which are situated such the removals of the areas may be accomplished concurrently, shall be considered as a single repair. The total area of the adjoining areas shall be combined to determine the repair type as shown in Table 605.01.

# PERFORMANCE GRADED BINDER

Section 503 in the Standard Specifications and Supplemental Specifications is amended to include Performance Graded Binders.

I. Description:

The performance graded binder to be used on this project shall be PG Binder 64-22 for Asphaltic Concrete Type SP4 and PG Binder 58-28 for Asphaltic Concrete Type SPS, supplied by a Certified Supplier.

#### Certified Supplier

A supplier must be certified by the Nebraska Department of Roads to be allowed to supply Performance Graded Binder in Nebraska. A certified supplier must be a participant in one or more of the following PG Binder groups.

- 1. AASHTO Materials Reference Laboratory (AMRL)
- 2. Western Cooperative Testing Group
- 3. Combined States Binder Group

The supplier must maintain and follow the requirements of the group or groups in which they participate in to maintain certification by the Nebraska Department of Roads. In addition, active participation is required to maintain certification by the Department. Active participation will include submitting of round robin samples results, along with meeting other requirements of the group or groups. Failure to do so will result in loss of certification by the Department.

A certified supplier may be asked to supply to the Department, past round robin results, laboratory inspection reports, reasons for and investigative reports on out lying results, quality control testing, and/or technician training and proficiency testing reports.

## **Supplier Certification**

A supplier may request certification by contacting the Nebraska Department of Roads, Materials and Research Division, Flexible Pavement Engineer at (402) 479-4675. A temporary certification may be issued for a period of up to one year. Split sample testing will be required prior to receiving a temporary certification. Split sample testing will be done on all grades of binder that the supplier intends to supply during the temporary certification. The supplier will have up to one year to become certified by participating in and following the requirements of one or more of the approved binder groups.

A supplier may become certified through active participation in other binder certification/round robin groups that are approved by the Department. The Department may request from the supplier prior to approval, past or current round robin results, quality control testing, laboratory inspection reports, and/or technician training and proficiency testing reports.

- II. Binder Sampling and Testing:
  - 1. Lots. Each 3750 tons (3400 Mg) of HMA produced will be a binder lot.
  - 2. A binder lot will include only one PG Binder grade or a blend as allowed in paragraph 6.e.
  - 3. A Binder lot will only include one supplier of the PG Binder or a blend as allowed in paragraph 6.e.
  - 4. Blending of different binder grades and binders from different suppliers will be allowed with restrictions as noted in paragraph 6.e. The Engineer must be notified of the intent to blend prior to actual blending.
  - 5. All binders shall be sampled at the rate of one sample per lot with a minimum of three samples per project.
    - a. The sample shall consist of two one-quart (liter) cans and shall be taken by the Contractor's Certified Sampling Technician, with assistance from or under supervision of NDR personnel. The sample shall be taken at the plant from the line between the storage tank and the mixer or from the tank supplying material to the line, at a location at which material sampled is representative of the material in the line to the mixer. One can will be tested for compliance with MP1 specifications and the other can portion will be saved for dispute resolution, if needed. The sampling process shall follow procedures of the NDR Materials Sampling Guide and NDR T 40.
    - Testing. When the tested PG Binder is in compliance, the binder lot will be accepted and both cans of the sample can be discarded. If the tested PG Binder does not comply, then the price of the PG Binder lot represented by the sample shall be adjusted according to Table 1. Overall project average testing requirements and price adjustments will also apply, as stated in Table 2.

- 6. Material Requirements:
  - a. Performance graded binder, as specified in the contract items shall be in accordance with AASHTO Designation MP1 and meet all minimum and maximum requirements.
  - b. Substitution of a PG Binder, which exceeds the upper and lower grade designations from the specified, requires advance notification of the Engineer, and be documented by a no cost change order. The bill of lading or delivery ticket shall state the binder grade and specific gravity.
  - c. Material Certification A Material Certification shall be submitted prior to construction stating, the type of modifier being used, and the recommended mixing and compaction temperatures for the Hot Mix Asphalt.
  - d. The Contractor shall receive from the supplier, instructions on the proper storage and handling of each grade and shipment of PG Binder.
  - e. Blending of PG Binders at the hot mix plant site will be allowed only when transitioning to an asphalt mixture requiring a different grade of binder and with the following restrictions:
    - (1) The resultant blend will meet MP-1 specifications when tested as ±3° of the specified PG binder. The sample of the blended material will 1) be considered as a lot sample, 2) will be taken during initial production following the blending of the binders, and 3) deductions when not meeting MP-1, will apply. On the blended sample's identification form will be a note explaining the blending conditions and a statement that the sample is a blend of materials. The next lot sample, following the sample representing the blend, will be tested as the specified binder grade for the asphalt mixture being produced and shall meet MP-1 specifications.
    - (2) Modified Binders When a type of modification is used and stated in the Material Certification as required in paragraph 6.c., it will not be allowed to be blended with a binder containing a different type of modification. Blending of the same type of modifiers will be allowed.

| SINGLE SAMPLE TOLERANCE AND PRICE REDUCTION TABLE  |  |  |
|--|--|--|
|  | Price Reduction <sup>1</sup><br>Pay Factor of 0.75 | Determined by Engineer <sup>2</sup><br>Pay Factor of 0.50 or Removal |
| $\frac{\text{Tests on Original Binder}}{\text{Dynamic Shear, G*/Sin }\delta, kPa}$                             | 0.86-0.92  | < 0.86   |
| <u>Tests on Rolling Thin Film</u><br><u>Oven Residue</u><br>Dynamic Shear, G*/Sin δ, kPa                       | 1.76-1.97  | < 1.76   |
| $\frac{\text{Tests Pressure Aging Vessel}}{\text{Residue}} \\ \text{Dynamic Shear, G*Sin } \delta, \text{kPa}$ | 5601-6200  | > 6200   |
| <u>Creep Stiffness</u><br>S, Mpa   | 325-348  | > 348  |
| m-value  | 0.270-0.284  | < 0.270  |

TABLE 1

**NOTE:** If more than one test fails to meet requirements, the largest individual price reduction (pay factor of 0.75 or 0.50) will be used to calculate price reduction for the asphalt binder.

<sup>1</sup>Price Reduction will be based on contract unit price of asphalt binder.

<sup>2</sup>The Engineer will determine if the non-compliant material will be removed. If the non-compliant material is accepted, a price reduction of 50% will be applied. The price reduction shall be based on the contract unit price of asphalt binder.

The pay factor will be applied to the quantity of material that the sample represents.

Overall Project Average - Price Reduction Based on Complete MP-1 Testing

Out of specification material will be determined by the specifications outlined in AASHTO MP-1, excluding Direct Tension.

The Nebraska Department of Roads, Materials and Research, Bituminous Laboratory will do complete testing, per MP-1 specifications, on a minimum of three samples or 20% of the total samples from the project, whichever is the greatest. The Department will randomly select one sample for complete MP-1 testing out of every five samples received. When any test result shows sample not meeting MP-1 specifications, the previous and following sample received will be tested for complete MP-1 compliance. Testing will continue in this manner until tested samples meet all of MP-1 specifications.

Original Dynamic Shear Rheometer testing will be completed on all samples. When a sample being tested for only Original Dynamic Shear Rheometer compliance falls out of MP-1 specification, it will then be tested for complete MP-1 specification compliance. Adjacent samples will be tested when results, other than the Original Dynamic Shear Rheometer result, do not meet specification. This additional complete testing for MP-1 compliance is in addition to the minimum number of samples that will be tested for complete MP-1 compliance.

At the completion of testing, all complete MP-1 test results will be averaged. For averages that do not meet MP-1 specifications, the largest reduction shown in Table 2 will be applied to all the Performance Graded Binder used on the project.

| OVERALL PROJECT AVERAGE - PRICE REDUCTION TABLE   |  |                              |
|---|--|------------------------------|
|   | Range of Average   | Pay Factor Applied           |
| <u>Tests on Original Binder</u><br>Dynamic Shear, G*/Sin δ, kPa<br>Min. 1.00 kPa                          | < 1.00 - 0.98<br>< 0.98 - 0.96<br>< 0.96 - 0.94<br>< 0.94        | 0.98<br>0.95<br>0.92<br>0.85 |
| <u>Tests on Rolling Thin Film</u><br><u>Oven Residue</u><br>Dynamic Shear, G*/Sin δ, kPa<br>Min. 2.20 kPa | < 2.20 - 2.156<br>< 2.156 - 2.09<br>< 209 - 2.024<br>< 2.024     | 0.98<br>0.95<br>0.92<br>0.85 |
| Tests Pressure Aging Vessel<br><u>Residue</u><br>Dynamic Shear, G*Sin δ, kPa<br>Max. 5000 kPa             | < 5000 - 5100<br>< 5100 - 5250<br>< 5250 - 5400<br>< 5400        | 0.98<br>0.95<br>0.92<br>0.85 |
| m-Value Min. 0.300  | < 0.300 - 0.298<br>< 0.298 - 0.293<br>< 0.293 - 0.290<br>< 0.290 | 0.98<br>0.95<br>0.92<br>0.85 |
| <u>Creep Stiffness</u><br>S, MPa<br>Max. 300 MPa  | < 300 - 306<br>< 306 - 315<br>< 315 - 324<br>< 324               | 0.98<br>0.95<br>0.92<br>0.85 |

# Table 2

Single Sample Reduction and Overall Project Average Reduction

A sample representing a lot, not meeting MP-1 Specification, will have a reduction for the material that the sample represents. Only the largest reduction from Table 1, will apply when more than one result of a single sample does not meet MP-1 specifications. Only the largest overall project average reduction from Table 2, will apply when more than one test average falls out of MP-1 specifications. Pay Factors based on both Table 1 and Table 2 test results are separate from each other and both will be applied.

Investigation of Verification Lot Samples That Do Not Meet Specifications

When the lot sample shows test results out of specification limits, the process of resolving the sample failure will include the following actions as appropriate:

1. The Bituminous Lab may conduct retesting of the remaining portion of the original can sample as determined necessary to confirm or disaffirm the original test result(s).

- 2. The Flexible Pavement Engineer will notify the Contractor who will arrange to investigate all aspects of the testing, loading, handling and delivery of the material in question. The Contractor shall report findings to the Central Laboratory, Flexible Pavement Engineer.
- 3. The Department will collect and compile all information and prepare a report. A copy of the report will be distributed to the District and the Contractor.
- 4. The Bituminous Laboratory will issue the standard report of tests for all samples tested, to include any resulting pay factor deductions. A copy of the report of tests will be distributed to the District, Construction Division, and Contractor.

# **Dispute Resolution**

After testing and investigations have been completed on the one can of the sample and there is still a dispute, the Department will select an independent laboratory for referee testing to take place on the second can of the sample. If the independent lab's tests indicate failing results and pay deductions equal to or great than the Department's, the Contractor will reimburse the Department for the cost of testing. If the independent lab's tests indicate that the material meets specification or is at a pay deduction less than the Department's, the Department will assume the cost of testing. When the independent lab's tests indicate a pay deduction, the lesser of the Department's and the independent lab's deductions will be applied.

#### Basis of Measurement

PG Binder shall be measured in accordance with Subsection 503.05 in the Standard Specifications and Supplemental Specifications.

#### Basis of Payment:

Subsection 503.06 in the Standard Specifications and Supplemental Specifications is amended to provide that PG Binder, accepted by the Engineer for use in asphaltic concrete, will be paid for at the contract unit price per ton (Megagram) for the item "Performance Graded Binder \_\_\_\_\_\_", less any deductions as prescribed in the tolerance and price reduction tables.

# SUPERPAVE ASPHALTIC CONCRETE

Asphaltic Concrete Type SP4 shall use the 0.5 gradation band.

Paragraph 2.b. of Subsection 503.06 of the Supplemental Specifications is amended to include Asphaltic Concrete Type SP6.

Section 1028 is amended to include Asphaltic Concrete Type SP6.

Paragraph 2. a. of Subsection 1028.01 is void and superseded by the following:

Before production of asphaltic concrete, the Contractor shall submit, in writing, a tentative job mix formula on the NDOR Mix Design Submittal Form for approval to the NDR Flexible Pavement Engineer at the Lincoln, Nebraska Central Laboratory.

Paragraph 2. b. of Subsection 1028.01 is void and superseded by the following:

The job mix formula shall identify the virgin mineral aggregates, RAP, if used, and mineral filler, if needed, with the value of the percent passing each specified sieve for the individual and blended materials.

Paragraph 2. c. (1) of Subsection 1028.01 is void and superseded by the following:

The Contractor shall submit six – 95 mm and two – 75 mm gyratory pucks compacted to  $7\% \pm 1\%$  air voids for testing and 3 proportioned 22 lb. (10,000-gram) samples of the blended mineral aggregates to be used in the mixture to the NDR Materials and Research Central Laboratory at least 15 NDR working days before production of asphaltic concrete. These samples will be used to validate the Contractor's Superpave mix design test results and mix properties.

Paragraph 2. c. (3) of Subsection 1028.01 is amended to include the following:

(ix) Dust to Binder Ratio

Paragraph 2. c. (3) (i) of Subsection 1028.01 is void and superseded by the following:

The bulk specific gravity of the blended aggregate. Whenever RAP is used it shall be processed through an ignition oven and then combined proportionally with the virgin aggregate. The bulk specific gravity shall be determined for the blend from an unwashed sample of the - #4 and a washed sample of + #4 material in accordance with AASHTO T 84 and AASHTO T 85 respectively.

Table 1028.01 is amended to include the following:

| Table 1028.01              |                      |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| Asphaltic<br>Concrete Type | Percent, Maximum RAP |
| SP6                        | 15                   |

Table 4000 04

Paragraph 4, f, (2), (i) of Subsection 1028.01 is void and superseded by the following:

The quality control technicians shall report directly to the Program Administrator and shall perform all sampling and quality control tests as required by the contract.

Paragraph 4. h. (3) of Subsection 1028.01 is void and superseded by the following:

All QC test results shall be documented on NDR Forms by the Contractor with a copy provided to the Engineer within 1 week after the tests are complete. Daily review by the Engineer will be allowed if requested.

Paragraph 4. i. (3) (ii) of Subsection 1028.01 is amended to include the following:

(VII) Dust to Binder Ratio

Paragraph 4. i. (3) (iii) of Subsection 1028.01 is amended to include the following:

- (IV) Tearing
- (V) Irregular surface due to mix tenderness

Paragraph 2.e. of Subsection 1028.02 is void and superseded by the following:

e. Crushed rock (Limestone) and Dolomite shall conform to the requirements of Subsection 1033.02 of the Standard Specifications, Paragraph 4.a. (4), (5) and (6). Sampling size and frequency shall adhere to the current NDR Materials Sampling Guide. (Some aggregate can be adversely affected by ignition ovens resulting in erroneous reading for asphalt content and gradation unless corrected for.)

Paragraph 2.h. of Subsection 1028.02 of the Supplemental Specifications is void and superseded by the following:

The coarse aggregate angularity value of the blended aggregate material shall meet or exceed the minimum values for the appropriate asphaltic concrete type as shown in Table 1028.02.

Table 1028.02 is void and superseded by the following:

| Asphaltic<br>Concrete<br>Type | Course Aggregate Angularity |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| SPS                           | 35                          |
| SP0                           | 55                          |
| SP1                           | 55                          |
| SP2                           | 65                          |
| SP3                           | 75                          |
| SP4                           | 85/80*                      |
| SP5                           | 95/90*                      |
| SP6                           | 95/90*                      |

Table 1028.02 Coarse Aggregate Angularity (ASTM D 5821)

\* Denotes two faced crushed requirements

Paragraph 2.h.(1) of Subsection 1028.02 is void.

Paragraph 2.i. of Subsection 1028.02 is void and superseded by the following:

The fine aggregate angularity value of the blended aggregate material shall meet or exceed the minimum values for the appropriate asphaltic concrete type *as* shown in Table 1028.03.

**Note:** The specific gravity for calculation of the Fine Aggregate Angularity (FAA) shall be based on material passing the No. 8 (2.36 mm) sieve and retained on the No. 100 (150 μm) sieve.

Table 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

| Table 1028.03             |
|---------------------------|
| Fine Aggregate Angularity |
| (AASHTO T304 Method A)    |

| Asphaltic<br>Concrete<br>Type | Fine Aggregate Angularity |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| SPS                           |                           |
| SP0                           |                           |
| SP1                           | 40.0                      |
| SP2                           | 43.0                      |
| SP3                           | 43.0                      |
| SP4                           | 45.0                      |
| SP5                           | 45.0                      |
| SP6                           | 45.0                      |

Paragraph 2.i.(1) of Subsection 1028.02 is void.

Table 1028.04 is amended to include the following:

| Table 1028.04<br>Flat And Elongated Particles<br>(ASTM D 4791) |                  |  |
|--|------------------|--|
| Asphaltic<br>Concrete<br>Type                                  | Percent, Maximum |  |
| SP6  | 10               |  |

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Table 1028.05 is amended to include the following:

| Table 1028.05<br>Clay Content<br>(AASHTO T 176) |                             |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Asphaltic<br>Concrete Type                      | Sand Equivalent,<br>Minimum |
| SP6   | 50                          |

Paragraph 2.I (1). of Subsection 1028.02 is void and superseded by the following:

It is recommended that the selected blended aggregate gradation does not pass through the restricted zones as specified in the following control points for nominal size. The plot of the blended aggregate gradation of Superpave mix designs with FAA values of less than 43.0 will not enter the limits of the restricted zone. The plot of the blended aggregate gradation of Superpave mix designs with FAA values of 43.0 to less than 45.0 passing through the restricted zone must intersect both the upper and lower limits of the restricted zone between 1) any two consecutive sieves used to define the restricted zone limits, or 2) two vertical lines plotted between the #8 and #50 sieve a distance apart no greater than 1/3 the horizontal distance between the #8 (2.36-mm) and #50 (300- $\mu$ m) sieves. Superpave mix designs with FAA values of 45.0 or greater will not be restricted from passing through the restricted zone.

The note following table 1028.08 is void and superseded by the following:

\* Dust to binder ratio is the ratio of the percentage by weight of aggregate finer than the No. 200 (75 μm) sieve to the asphalt content expressed as a percent by weight of total mix. The dust to binder ratio shall be between 0.60 and 1.20. This shall be verified during mix design approval.

Table 1028.09 is amended to include the following:

\* see note following Table 1028.08

Paragraph 3. b. (3). of Subsection 1028.02 is void and superseded by the following:

Rice equipment specified in AASHTO T 209, procedure 9.5.1, Weighing in Water. The thermometer being used to measure water temperature will be as specified in T 209.

Paragraph 3. b. (11). of Subsection 1028.02 is void and superseded by the following:

Personal Computer capable of running NDR software and Color Printer.

Paragraph 1. a. of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

The job mix formula shall be determined from a mix design for each mixture. A volumetric mixture design in accordance with AASHTO PP 28 as modified within this special provision, will be required. However, the mixture for the Superpave specimens and maximum specific gravity mixture shall be short-term aged for two hours.

Paragraph 1. c. of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

The Contractor shall inform the Engineer when changes in the types or sources of aggregates or PG Binders are made. These changes may require a new job mix formula, mix design and moisture susceptibility test. The new proposed job mix formula shall be in accordance with the requirements as stated above and submitted 5 working days prior to use for verification.

Paragraph 1. d. of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

Each Superpave mixture shall be tested for moisture susceptibility in accordance with AASHTO T 283. The loose mixture shall be short-term aged for two hours in accordance with AASHTO PP 2. The 6-inch (152-mm) specimens shall be compacted in accordance with AASHTO T 312 to seven percent air voids at 95-mm in height and evaluated to determine if the minimum Tensile Strength Ratio (TSR) of 80 percent has been met. If the mixture has not met the minimum TSR value, an anti-stripping additive shall be added at a dosage rate, such that the mix will meet the minimum TSR of 80 percent. All data shall be submitted with the mix design verification request. For mixtures containing an anti-stripping additive; during production of Lot #1, the Contractor shall provide to the NDR Central laboratory properly prepared gyratory samples for AASHTO T 283 testing. A TSR test result of less than 80 percent will require mixture modification(s) and a sample from subsequent lots will be tested until a TSR value of at least 80 percent is achieved. Moisture susceptibility testing is not required for Asphaltic Concrete Type SPS.

Paragraph 1. d. (1) of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

When tests indicate the need for an anti-striping additive the Contractor shall be compensated for the cost of the anti-strip additive needed at the invoice price of the additive. If the Contractor elects to use a liquid anti-strip additive it shall be added to the PG Binder by the PG Binder Supplier.

Table 1028.11 is amended to include the following:

# Table 1028.11Gyratory Compaction Effort(Average Design High Air Temperature = < 39 degrees C)</td>

| Asphaltic<br>Concrete<br>Type | Nini | Ndes | Nmax |
|-------------------------------|------|------|------|
| SP6                           | 9    | 126  | 204  |

Table 1028.12 is void and superseded by the following:

| Table 1028.12              |              |      |                 |  |  |  |
|----------------------------|--------------|------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| Mix Criteria               | SPS,SP0,SP1  | SP2  | SP3,SP4,SP5,SP6 |  |  |  |
| Voids In Mineral Aggregate | See Table 13 |      |                 |  |  |  |
| Voids Filled with Asphalt  | See Table 14 |      |                 |  |  |  |
| %Gmm at Nini               | 91.5*        | 90.5 | 89.0            |  |  |  |
| %Gmm at Nmax               | 98.0*        | 98.0 | 98.0            |  |  |  |

\* No specification requirement for SPS, only %Gmm at Ndes = 95 to 98.5

Table 1028.14 is amended to include the following:

| Table 1028.14<br>Voids Filled With Asphalt<br>Criteria at Ndes |                        |  |  |  |
|--|------------------------|--|--|--|
| Asphaltic Concrete<br>Type                                     | Design VFA,<br>Percent |  |  |  |
| SP6  | 65 – 75                |  |  |  |

Paragraph 3. c. of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

c. The adjustment values in Table 1028.15 will be the tolerances allowed for adjustments from the NDR verified mix design "Combined Gradation" target values which resulted from production or mix design adjustments, but cannot deviate from Superpave gradation criteria, or violate restricted zone criteria specified in paragraph 2. I. (1) of Subsection 1028.02. Mix adjustments for individual aggregates, including RAP, greater than 25% of the original verified mix design proportion may require the Contractor to submit a new mix design, as determined by the Engineer

Paragraph 4.c.(4) of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

At the project start-up and when a substantial aggregate proportion or other major mix change has been made, at least 1 sample shall be taken between the first 110 tons (100 Mg) and 300 tons (270 Mg) of production. This sample, when other than at start-up, will be in lieu of the next scheduled random sample location.

Paragraph 4.c. (5) of Subsection 1028.03 is amended to include the following:

When both ignition oven and cold feed cold feed samples are being tested the taking of the samples shall be timed such that each sample represents, as close as possible, the same aggregate being fed into the plant.

Paragraph 4. c. (6) of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

For projects using RAP material the FAA and CAA shall be established as follows:

A RAP sample will be processed though an ignition oven and then combined with the proportioned amount of virgin aggregate defined by the mix design and then proceeding with FAA and CAA testing.

Paragraph 4. f. (1) (i) of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

Bulk Specific Gravity (Gmb) shall be determined for each specimen in accordance with AASHTO T 166- Bulk Specific Gravity of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures Using Saturated Surface Dry Specimens.

Paragraph 4.f. (1) (iv) of Subsection 1028.03 in the Supplemental Specifications is void and superseded by the following:

At the Contractor's request, upon evidence that the 3 Bulk Specific Gravity specimens are exhibiting consistency in their results, The Materials and Research Central Laboratory or Branch Manager may reduce the number of specimens to 2.

Paragraph 4. f. (3) (i) of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

The Blended Aggregate Bulk Specific Gravity (Gsb) shall be determined from a combined aggregate blend, including any RAP following ignition burn-off, on the + #4 and - #4 material.

Paragraph 4. f. (5) of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

- 5. (i) The percent of PG Binder shall be determined for each QC test. The percent of PG Binder will be computed by ignition oven results.
- 5. (ii) The gradations shall be determined for each QC test using AASHTO T 30.

Paragraph 4.g.(1) of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

All test results and calculations shall be recorded and documented on data sheets using the latest version of NDOR provided "Superpave" software. A copy containing complete project documentation will be provided to the Materials and Research Division at the completion of the project.

Paragraph 4. h. (3) of Subsection 1028.03 is amended to include the following:

(x) Dust to Binder ratio to the nearest 0.01

The table of paragraph 4. i. (3) (i) of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

| Test                             | Tolerance |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Asphalt Content by Ignition Oven | 0.5%      |
| Gyratory Density                 | 0.020     |
| Maximum Specific Gravity         | 0.015     |
| Bulk Dry Specific Gravity (Gsb)  | 0.020     |
| FAA                              | 0.5%      |
| САА                              | 10.0%     |
| Field Core Density               | 0.020     |

Paragraph 5.b. of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

Two consecutive test results (single test) outside the Specification limits or a (50% or reject) shall be cause to cease operations.

Paragraph 5.e. of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

Failure to cease operations after two consecutive test results fall outside the Specification limits shall subject all subsequent material to be rejected.

Paragraph 7.b. of Subsection 1028.03 is amended to include SP6.

Paragraph 9. a. of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

Density tests will be performed by the Contractor under direct observation of NDR personnel. The Contractor will establish the method of testing in the preconstruction conference and shall be tested in accordance with the AASHTO T 166 or NDR T 587. The Contractor will insure that the proper adjustment bias and/or correction factors are used and accessible to NDR personnel along with all other inputs when NDR T 587 is selected. All correlation factors and test results shall be generated and reported on the NDOR Density spreadsheet. All disputed values determined using NDR T 587 shall be resolved using AASHTO T 166.

The "**Note**" in paragraph 9.b. of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

**Note:** The individual QC test value of the Maximum Mix Specific Gravity (Rice) will be used to calculate the density of each corresponding core.

Paragraph 9. h. 3 (i) of Subsection 1028.03 is void and superseded by the following:

If requested by the Contractor, check tests for all density tests in the original set, taken no later than the working day following placement will be allowed in lots with a density pay factor of less than 1.00. Locations for checks tests will be determined by a new random sampling schedule provided by the Engineer. The average density obtained by the check tests shall be used to establish the density pay factor for the lot.

Subsection 1028.03 is amended to include Paragraph 10 as follows:

- 10. PG Binder Sampling
  - a. At least one sample (2-1 quart cans) (2-1 liter cans) of PG Binder will be sampled by the Contractor's QC Technician for every Lot (3750 tons) (3400 Mg) of asphalt concrete mixture produced.
  - b. Samples will be taken in accordance with NDR Standard Method T 40.
  - c. The QC Technician will include on the Sample Identification form all information required by the contract.

# PROPOSAL GUARANTY (S1-38-0801)

As an evidence of good faith in submitting a proposal for this work or for any portion thereof as provided in the proposal form, the bidder must file with his proposal a bid bond, which must be executed on the Department of Roads' Bid Bond form, in the amount of 5 percent of the amount bid for any group of items or collection of groups for which the bid is submitted. Any alterations, conditions or limitations added to the Department of Roads' Bid Bond form will be unacceptable and cause the bid <u>not</u> to be opened and read.

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