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MEMORANDUM NO. 10-01

TO: DISTRICT CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERS

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SUBJECT: SUPERPAVE BINDERS

For projects beginning with the July 2001 letting, Section 916.1 of the Standard Specifications has been changed to specify Superpave PG Graded Asphalt Binders to replace the AC Viscosity Graded Asphalt Cements. The actual material we will use will remain the same, but will be designated or specified differently.

It is the Department's anticipation that at some point in the future the suppliers will only provide Superpave PG Graded Asphalt Binders. But in the interim, to minimize confusion on existing projects which were bid to supply AC Viscosity Graded Asphalt Cements, on new projects which specify Superpave PG Graded Asphalt Binders, the Department on ALL projects will accept either binder for the other for mix designs or other applications according to the following equivalency:

AC-20 or PG 64-22

AC-30 or PG 67-22

This equivalency will apply until rescinded, which is expected to be sometime toward the end of 2001.

If you have any questions, please contact Gale Page in the State Materials Office at suncom 642-3208.

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