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THIS MEMO HAS EXPIRED

MEMORANDUM NO.: 18-03:

TO: DISTRICT CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERS

FROM: Ananth Prasad, State Construction Engineer 

COPIES: Freddie Simmons, Bill Albaugh, Tom Malerk, Philip Lancaster, Sharon Holmes, David Sadler, Bob Burleson (FTBA), Keith Kaufmann (Avery Dennison), Dave Meslow (3M), and Doug Forrer (Pac-Tec)

SUBJECT: REFLECTIVE PAVEMENT MARKERS – QUALIFIED PRODUCT LIST REMOVAL

As previously communicated, the following raised Reflective Pavement Markers (RPM) have failed the test deck evaluation and have subsequently been removed from the Department's Qualified Products List (QPL) effective April 4, 2003.

QPL S706-0200	Stimsonite 911 Reflective Pavement Markers - Class B
QPL S706-0203	Stimsonite 911 Reflective Pavement Markers - Class B
QPL S706-0102	3M-290 Series Reflective Pavement Markers - Class B
QPL S706-0202	3M-290 Series Reflective Pavement Markers - Class B
QPL S706-0201	Pac-Tec AA-ARC II-F Reflective Pavement Markers - Class B
QPL S706-0204	Pac-Tec AA-ARC II-F Reflective Pavement Markers - Class B

My e-mail to you all on April 14, 2003 provided direction for contracts, where the Friction Course is being or would be placed between April 4, 2003 and April 30, 2003, as to placement of such markers.

This memorandum is to provide further direction **as to contracts, where the Friction Course is being or would be placed between May 1, 2003 and May 31, 2003,** as to placement of such markers. On such contracts, such RPM's can be placed and be compensated for at the unit price in the contract.

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Project Personnel are to advise the Contractor to notify the RPM manufacturer's representative on the locations of where such markers have been placed. It is extremely important that this happens.

The contact information for the RPM manufacturer's representatives is as follows:

Avery Dennison	Steve Garren 847-226-7872 (cell) steve.garren@averydennison.com
	Keith Kaufmann 847-588-7380 keith.kaufmann@averydennison.com
3M	Dave Meslow 850-906-9194 dkmeslow1@mmm.com
Pac-Tec	David McHugh 770-985-1374 spirit@mindspring.com
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For the purposes of project acceptance, projects final accepted prior to April 4, 2003 will be accepted without exception as the markers were on the QPL prior to that date.

Project on which such RPM's were installed between April 4, 2003 and May 31, 2003 will be final accepted as such. **The project personnel are advised to attach this memorandum to the Material Certification letter.**

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The Department has commitments from the RPM manufacturers that they will honor the warranty that was provided to the Department as a condition for allowing their product to be included on the QPL in a Conditional status. The State Construction Office has been working with the State Materials Office to develop product performance measures that will be used to evaluate the markers that are placed during the conditional approval period and during the period of April 4, 2003 and May 31, 2003. Should the performance of such RPM's indicate replacement, such replacement will be coordinated with the product manufacturer and appropriate offices within the Department.

After May 31, 2003, RPM's that are on the QPL, at the time of placement, will be the only ones that will be allowed on projects.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 850-414-4140 (suncom 994-4140).

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