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SUBJECT: Piling- Dynamic Load Tests

ISSUE BACKGROUND: Supplemental specifications section 455 was updated to clarify language, to eliminate the pay item for dynamic load tests, and to address other issues.

IMPLEMENTATION: With the implementation of the updated Supplemental Specifications for the January 2009 letting, no separate payment will be made for Dynamic Load Tests. For test piles, payment for Dynamic Load test will be incidental to the Test Piling. For Production Piles, Dynamic Load tests will be paid as additional length of piling, according to Section 455 of the specifications.

The design quantity for piling should be computed as the total anticipated length of the pile, WITHOUT ALLOWANCES for cutoffs, slices, dynamic load tests, or preforming. Construction Final Quantity will be adjusted based on allowances, per the specifications.

Update Pay Items:

The following pay item will be valid through December 30, 2008:

455-137- Dynamic Load Test, EA

Update Plans and Pay Item Notes: Effective with the January 2009 letting, update plans and pay items, including the Proposal Summary of Quantities (TRNS*PORT report) in the plans.

Specifications: Specifications effective with the January 2009 letting are available online at http://www.dot.state.fl.us/specificationsoffice/implemented/WorkBooks/Janworkbook2009/Default.shtm

If you have any questions regarding the use of the above items, please contact Larry Jones at 850-414-4305.