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**TO: DISTRICT MATERIALS AND RESEARCH ENGINEERS  
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**SUBJECT: CHANGING PG 82-22 (PMA) TO HIGH POLYMER BINDER**

Effective with the July 2017 Specification workbook, High Polymer asphalt binder will replace PG 82-22 (PMA) asphalt binder. For projects let before July 1, 2017, a contractor may substitute High Polymer asphalt binder in place of PG 82-22 (PMA) asphalt binder at no additional cost to the Department.

High Polymer asphalt binder is more rut and crack resistant than PG 82-22 (PMA) asphalt binder due to an increase in the amount of polymer used to manufacture the asphalt binder, therefore there will not be a quality issue with the substitution.

For any questions concerning this matter, please contact Greg Sholar at 352.955.2920.

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