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**INSTRUCTIONAL BULLETIN NO. 95-4**

**SUBJECT:** Guardrail End Treatment (MELT)  
**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 7, 1995  
**SUPERSEDES:** Standard Drawings 805-2, 805-2A and 805-3

**Superseded  
by 1998-7**

The Department, by recommendation of the Federal Highway Administration, will begin using the Modified Eccentric Loader Terminal (MELT) in all applications where Breakaway Cable Terminals (End Anchor - Type A) have been specified in the past. All projects to be let to contract beginning with the July 1995 highway letting will include this change. All other end treatments will not be affected. Copies of the MELT special drawings should be placed in the plans until the "Standard Drawings for Road Construction" are revised. The pay item number is 8052050 and the pay item includes 37½ feet of guardrail. On plans, place "Const. MELT" in lieu of "Const. End Anchor - Type A."

The MELT standards are found in the following CADD Directory on the mainserv:  
/usr/bin/dp/stdmgr/special and can be attached as reference files.

CADD FILE	DESCRIPTION
spec805d.dgn	Modified Eccentric Loader Terminal (MELT)
spec805e.dgn	Modified Eccentric Loader Terminal Hardware(MELT)
spec805f.dgn	Modified Eccentric Loader Terminal Hardware(MELT)

Projects, that are presently under contract or will be let to contract prior to July 1995, will be reviewed after the contract award to determine if a Supplemental Agreement will be executed in order to implement this change. If a contractor has already purchased the material or requests an unreasonable price in the Supplemental Agreement, then the project may be built with the End Anchor - Type A as shown in the plans.

APPROVED:

  
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