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May 4, 2000

MEMORANDUM TO GROUP LEADERS & CONSULTANTS:

SUBJECT: SCDOT Standard Specifications for Highway Construction Edition of 2000

Attached is a memorandum from Director of Preconstruction Robert I. Pratt regarding the above mentioned standard specifications. The "Standard Specifications for Highway Construction" has been revised and is now available from the Department's Contract Engineer's Office at (803) 737-1249. Beginning with the July 2000 Letting, bridge projects developed using English units must be in compliance with the 2000 Edition of the Standard Specifications.

The Bridge Design Office is currently revising the Standard Drawings to be in compliance with the 2000 Edition of the Standard Specifications. The revised drawings can be found at the Bridge 2000 Standards FTP site. Questions concerning revised Standard Drawings should be directed to Mr. James Reese at (803) 737-2093.

Plans must have correct item numbers and pay item descriptions to match the 2000 Specifications. If a bid item does not have a 2000 Specification number contact Mr. James Reese to obtain a number for that bid item.

It has been determined that some English projects will be let after July 2000 using the 1986 Standard Specifications and pre-2000 item numbers. Only projects that present a specific advantage for not changing will be considered. Please contact the appropriate Project Manager if you have questions concerning your project. Consultant Engineers may contact Mr. Jeff Sizemore at (803) 737-1420 with questions.

Until the Spring of 2002, metric projects will continue to be let using the 1986 Standard Specifications as amended by Metric Supplemental Specifications. Metric pay item numbers and pay item descriptions should match current pre-2000 usage and in no case should the 2000 Specifications be used.

Your cooperation in making this transition to the 2000 Standard Specifications is greatly appreciated.

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Reference: Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, Edition of 2000

Dear «Title» «LastName»:

The "Standard Specifications for Highway Construction" has been revised and is now available from the Department's Contract Engineer's Office at (803) 737-1249. Beginning with the July 2000 Highway Letting, all highway project plans developed in English units must be in compliance with the revised 2000 Edition of the Standard Specifications.

Plans must have the correct pay items with the 2000 spec. yr. when the 2000 spec. yr. pay item is available. All pay items, however, will not have a 2000 spec. yr. Those that do must be used in order to match the sections of the new Standard Specifications. Otherwise, the non-2000 spec. yr. pay item will be used when the section number of the pay item did not change.

Metric projects will continue to be let using the 1986 Standard Specifications and non-2000 spec. yr. pay items until the Spring 2002. Some metric pay items may have a spec. yr. other than 1986, but no metric items should have a spec. yr. of 2000.

It has been determined that some English projects will be let using the 1986 Standard Specifications after July 2000. Please contact your Program Manager if there are any questions concerning your project. Generally, all English projects will be changed to comply with the 2000 Standard Specifications. Only those that present a specific advantage for not changing will be considered for retaining and letting under the old specifications.

If you have specific questions concerning special provisions and Supplemental Specifications, or the revised specifications, please contact Jim Frick, Specifications and Estimates Manager at (803) 737-1380.

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If you have specific questions concerning plan changes, please contact Ned Joye, Operations Manager at (803) 737-2020.

If you have questions concerning revised pay items and their spec. yr., please contact Ed Eargle, Road Design Engineer at (803) 737-1377.

Thank you for your cooperation in this effort.

Sincerely,

Robert I. Pratt
Director of Preconstruction

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