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If you have any questions regarding this instructional memorandum, please contact Kevin Kennedy, Capital Preventive Maintenance Engineer, at kennedyk@michigan.gov or 517-322-6043.

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MATERIALS & WORKMANSHIP WARRANTY APPENDIX FOR ONE COURSE HOT MIX ASPHALT OVERLAY

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Definitions
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The defective segments for surface distress may or may not be contiguous to necessitate corrective action. The maximum allowable number of defective segments for each condition parameter applies to each warranty lane in each travel direction. Each warranty lane shall be evaluated independent of adjacent warranty lanes. Any pavement surface requiring removal/replacement to correct deficiencies, for any condition parameter, shall be replaced full-width across the warranty lane.
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1. The maximum allowable number of defective segments per warranty lane is determined by multiplying by the length of the specific warranty lane in miles.
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MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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cc: Surety Company, Financial Services - Payments
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KNOWN ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:
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At least three members of the CRT must vote in favor of a motion to make a decision. The CRT may decide to conduct a forensic investigation, will determine the scope of work and select the party to conduct the investigation. All costs related to the forensic investigation will be shared proportionately between the Contractor and the Department based on the determined cause of the condition.

j. **Emergency Repairs.** If the Department determines that emergency repairs are necessary for public safety, the Department or its agent may take repair action. Emergency repairs must be authorized by the Region Engineer. Prior to emergency repairs, the Department will document the basis for the emergency action. In addition, the Department will preserve evidence of the defective condition.

k. **Non-extension of Contract.** This Special Provision shall not be construed as extending or otherwise affecting the claim process and statute of limitation applicable to this Contract.

l. **Measurement and Payment.** All costs, including engineering and maintaining traffic costs, associated with meeting the requirements of this special provision are considered to be included in the Contract unit prices for the warranted work items regardless of when such costs are incurred throughout the warranty period. These costs include but are not limited to, all materials, labor and equipment necessary to complete required warranty work.
PVEMENT PERFORMANCE WARRANTY APPENDIX FOR COLDMILLING & ONE COURSE HOT MIX ASPHALT OVERLAY

A1. Application. This appendix applies to pavement warranties for coldmill and 1 ½" preventive maintenance HMA overlays.

A2. Limits of Warranted Work. The warranted work includes all hot mix asphalt on warranty lanes within the project limits unless otherwise indicated on the plans.

A3. Warranty Term. The warranty term will be three years from the date of Initial Acceptance otherwise termed the Acceptance Date of Warranted Work.

A4. Warranty Bond. The bond will equal 100% of the contract cost for the warranted work.

A5. Initial Ride Quality Acceptance Criteria. The Department will measure the ride quality prior to placement of the HMA overlay. Subsequent to placement of the overlay, the Department will also measure the pavement ride quality. Both measurements will be expressed in terms of the Michigan Ride Quality Index (RQI). Ride quality measurements will be conducted and evaluated separately for each warranty lane. Shoulder work is exempt from ride quality measures.

The pavement ride quality, for each warranty lane, must meet the following criteria subsequent to the HMA overlay,

1) Each individual tenth mile segment of each lane must have an RQI value equal to or lower than the initial value prior to the overlay.
2) The overall average for each lane must be improved by 25 percent from the initial value or down to an RQI of 45.

A6. Condition Parameters. Condition parameters are used to measure the performance of the HMA pavement during the warranty term. Each condition parameter has a threshold level applied to each segment and a maximum number of defective segments allowed before corrective action (warranty work) is required.

Definitions
Longitudinal Crack/Open Joint - A crack or open joint, at least five feet in length that is oriented primarily in the longitudinal direction versus the transverse direction. That is, the angle between the overall crack line and the centerline is less than 45 degrees. It can exist anywhere in the warranty lane; i.e., at the pavement centerline joint, wheel path, center of lane, or lane/shoulder joint. This does not include reflective cracking from underlying pavement.

De-bonding - A physical separation of two HMA layers. De-bonding will be visually identified as shoving, or the loss of the new surface course. Surface potholes, regardless of depth, will be classified as de-bonding.

Raveling - Surface disintegration, due to the loss of coarse or fine aggregate material, that occurs over an area or in a continuous longitudinal strip.
Flushing - The accumulation of excess asphalt binder on the pavement surface that creates a shiny, reflective condition and becomes tacky to the touch at high temperatures.

Rutting - A longitudinal surface depression in the wheel path. It may have associated transverse displacement or humping.

A7. **Warranty Requirements.** Table 2 lists the allowable threshold limit for each condition parameter within each segment and the maximum number of allowable segments within a warranty lane for each condition parameter. If the threshold is exceeded for a condition parameter, for more than the maximum number of allowable segments, corrective action (warranty work) is required.

The defective segments for surface distress may or may not be contiguous to necessitate corrective action. The maximum allowable number of defective segments for each condition parameter applies to each warranty lane in each travel direction. Each warranty lane shall be evaluated independent of adjacent warranty lanes. Any pavement surface requiring removal/replacement to correct deficiencies, for any condition parameter, shall be replaced full-width across the warranty lane.

**TABLE 1 - WARRANTY REQUIREMENTS FOR COLDMILLING & ONE COURSE HMA OVERLAY**

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1 The maximum allowable number of defective segments per warranty lane is determined by multiplying by the length of the specific warranty lane in miles.
2 The rut depth threshold applies to each wheel path independently.
3 The pavement surface will be evaluated for the presence of rutting on each warranty lane throughout the warranty period. The pavement surface will be measured beginning at the POB and every 132 feet thereafter to determine average rut depth to quantify rutting for a particular segment. Rut measurements will be done using a straight rigid device that is a minimum of 7 feet long and of sufficient stiffness that it will not deflect from its own weight, or a wire under sufficient tension to prevent sag when extended 7 feet. Measurements will be taken by placing this “straitedged” across the pavement surface perpendicular to the direction of travel. The straitedge shall contact the surface on at least two bearing points with one located on either side of the rut. The straitedge is properly located when sliding the straitedge along its axis does not change the location of the contact points. Rut depth is then measured at the point of greatest perpendicular distance from the bottom of the straitedge to
4) Does not apply to shoulder.
A8. **Corrective Actions.** The Contractor will propose corrective action subject to Department approval. The Department will accept the proposed corrective action if the action will correctly restore both the original preventive maintenance treatment and the benefit that the treatment provides to the underlying pavement structure.
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Known All Men By These Presents: Bond Number ______________________

That we, _________________________________ (hereinafter called the “Principal”), and ____________________________________________________, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of _________________________, and duly licensed to transact business in the State of Michigan (hereinafter called “Surety”), are held and firmly bound unto the Michigan Department of Transportation (hereinafter called the “Obligee”), in the sum of ______________________ Dollars ($), for the payment of which sum well and truly to be made, we, the said Principal and the said Surety, bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the said Principal has heretofore entered into a contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation dated ____________________________ under Contract ID ------------------------------------- and;

WHEREAS, the said Principal is required to guarantee the _______________________ installed under said contract, against specific pavement defects which may develop during the period(s) of ____________ years beginning the date(s) of the Acceptance Date of Construction by the Obligee.

In no event shall losses paid under this bond aggregate more than the amount of the bond.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, that if said Principal shall faithfully carry out and perform the said guarantee, and shall, on due notice, repair and make good at its own expense any and all specific pavement defects in the said work which may develop during the period specified above or shall pay over, make good and reimburse to the said Obligee all loss and damage which said Obligee may sustain by reason of failure or default of said Principal so to do, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise shall remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDED HOWEVER, that in the event of any default on the part of said Principal, a written statement of the particular facts showing such default and the date thereof shall be delivered to the Surety by registered mail, within thirty (30) days after the Obligee or his representative shall learn of such default and that no claim, suit or action by reason of any default of the Principal shall be brought hereunder after the expiration of thirty (30) days from the end of the warranty period as herein set forth.

Signed this ________ day of ________________________, ______.

Contractor

By

Surety

By

Attorney-In-Fact
a. **Description.** This special provision sets forth the quality control and quality assurance procedures that will be followed for acceptance of and payment for hot mix asphalt (HMA). Except as modified by this or other contract documents, the standard specifications shall apply. In cases where this special provision may conflict with another special provision or supplemental specification, this special provision will prevail.

1. **Terminology.**

**Quality Control (QC)** - All activities that have to do with making the quality of a product what it should be: including training, materials sampling and testing, project oversight and documentation.

**Quality Assurance (QA)** - All activities that have to do with making sure the quality of a product is what it should be: including materials sampling and testing, construction inspection, and review of Contractor quality control documentation.

**HMA Design** - The selection and proportioning of aggregate(s), mineral filler (if required), reclaimed asphalt pavement (RAP), and asphalt binder such that the specified mixture design criteria are met. Laboratory evaluation is required to determine if the stated mix design complies with specifications.

**Job Mix Formula (JMF)** - A HMA mixture for a specific project. This may include adjustments to the mix design to optimize the field application.

**Target Value** - A JMF parameter value which may be adjusted, if approved by the Engineer, to account for changes in the physical properties of the mixture.

**JMF Adjustment** - The Contractor may propose an adjustment to the JMF based on QC and/or QA test results. The proposed JMF must meet the requirements of the special provision for Superpave HMA Mixtures included in this proposal. When approved by the Engineer, a JMF adjustment may be applied retroactively to one lot, for parameters with target values.

**Voids in Mineral Aggregate (VMA)** - The volume of void space between the aggregate particles of a compacted paving mixture that includes the air voids and the asphalt binder including the absorbed asphalt binder, expressed as a percent of the total volume of mixture.
Effective Specific Gravity ($G_e$) - The ratio of the oven dry weight in air of a unit volume of an aggregate (excluding voids permeable to asphalt) at a stated temperature to the weight of an equal volume of water at a stated temperature.

Bulk Specific Gravity of Aggregate ($G_{ba}$) - The ratio of the oven dry weight in air of a unit volume of an aggregate at a stated temperature to the weight of an equal volume of water at a stated temperature.

Maximum Specific Gravity of Mixture ($G_{mm}$) - The ratio of the weight in air of a unit volume of an uncompacted HMA at a stated temperature to the weight of an equal volume of water at a stated temperature.

Lot - HMA mixture produced and placed under this special provision is evaluated on a lot-by-lot basis. A lot is made up of a discrete tonnage of one mixture. Each lot is made up of three sublots. These sublots will be of approximately equal size of 1500 tons.

If only one or two sublots are included in a lot at the end of production, they will be combined with the previous lot using the same mix and this combined lot will be evaluated based on all sublot samples.

Initial Production Lot - All testing for the initial production lot must be completed prior to any further mixture production, unless prior approval is received from the Engineer. The Contractor will be allowed to continue production if all the QA test results for this lot are within the single test and lot average tolerances specified in Table 2 and no JMF changes are requested.

Lot Average Test Result - The average of all sublot QA test results, for a specific parameter, for the lot. Test results for any sublot removed from the project will not be used in calculating a lot average. However, the replacement material will be tested and the results included in the lot average.

Trial Run - With prior approval of the Engineer, the Contractor may produce and test the mixture(s) to be used on this project prior to placing the mixture(s). The testing frequency will be as specified in this special provision. Requests for JMF adjustments may be made based on the trial run test results. All costs associated with the trial run, including materials and testing will be borne by the Contractor.

Process Quality Control Targets - These targets are established by the Contractor, based on initial production lot test results (and from any approved trial run), for air voids, VMA, asphalt binder content and $G_{mm}$. QC tolerances will be applied to these established targets to determine the need for production changes, including stopping production, to control the quality of the product. Process quality control targets must be reported to the Engineer prior to the end of placement of the second lot.

Rounding of Numbers - Rounding of numerical data will follow ASTM E29, Rounding Method as described in the HMA Production Manual.

Random Sampling - Except as modified herein, QA sample locations will be determined as outlined in section A-12 of the Materials Quality Assurance Manual.
A. Prior to the pre-production meeting, the Engineer will generate three columns of random numbers using a computer spreadsheet program or a calculator. The random numbers will be used for the longitudinal and the transverse measurement for determining the core location and the HMA mixture sample location. An excess amount of random numbers will be generated to take into account overruns or any situation where another random number is required.

B. At the pre-production meeting each page that lists random numbers, with the numbers covered by a separate sheet of paper, will be presented to be signed by the HMA-QC Plan Administrator and the Engineer.

C. The original signed list will be placed in the project file and a copy will be provided to the field inspector for the project.

D. When the project is completed a copy of the list of random numbers will be provided to the Contractor upon request.

2. **Sampling and Testing Procedures.** In addition to the requirements of the standard specifications and the HMA Production Manual, the following sampling and testing procedures are to be followed in completing this work.

**ASTM**
- D 1559-89 Test Method for Resistance to Plastic Flow of Bituminous Mixtures Using Marshall Apparatus (Section 4.5)
- D 2172 Test Methods for Quantitative Extraction of Bitumen from Bituminous Paving Mixtures
- D 2041 Test Method for Theoretical Maximum Specific Gravity and Density of Bituminous Paving Mixtures
- D 2726 Test Method for Bulk Specific Gravity and Density of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures Using Saturated Surface-Dry Specimens
- C 136 Test Method for Sieve Analysis of Fine and Coarse Aggregates
- C 117 Test Method for Materials finer than 75-µm (no. 200) Sieve in Mineral Aggregates by Washing
- E 29 Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications

**MTM (Michigan Test Method)**
- 311 Determining Aggregate Gradation for Bituminous Mixture
- 117 Determining Percentage of Crushed Particles in Aggregates
- 118 Measuring Fine Aggregate Angularity
- 110 Determining Deleterious and Objectionable Particles in Aggregates
- 319 Determination of Asphalt Content from Asphalt Paving Mixtures by the Ignition Method
- 313 Sampling Bituminous Mixtures
- 324 Sampling HMA Mixtures from Behind the Paver

**b. Equipment.** All equipment requirements of Section 502 of the Standard Specifications for Construction shall apply.
c. Quality Control. The Engineer will not sample or test for quality control or assist in controlling the Contractor's production or placement operations. The Contractor will be responsible for establishing a Quality Control Plan that contains all of the elements listed in Section 503 of the Standard Specification for Construction.

In order to be used in making the decision for the Retest and Appeal Process (section e.), QC sample shall be obtained using a random sampling procedure. Each test report associated with the sample must include an identifier to allow all test reports to be linked to a specific lot or sublot within the project. Non-random QC HMA (loose) samples can also be taken.

The Contractor shall maintain daily control charts and have them available for review at the plant at all times. Copies of these control charts shall be provided to the Engineer if requested. All test results shall be plotted and used in quality control decisions. When corrective action is necessary, the Contractor shall notify the Engineer in writing of the specific action taken. Failure to take corrective action as required will result in negative adjustment to the unit price for HMA as described in section (g) of this special provision.

1. **HMA (Loose) Gradation.** The Contractor shall test the mixture gradation for all sieve sizes reported on the JMF.

2. **HMA (Loose) Volumetrics.** If the difference between the established process quality control targets and the QC test results exceed the single test or running average of five tolerances shown in Table 1, the Contractor will immediately notify the Engineer, follow the QCP and necessary corrective action(s), if any, shall be implemented. If the next QC test for that mixture again exceeds a QC tolerance, production shall stop and the Contractor shall immediately notify the Engineer. The Engineer will evaluate the Contractor's proposal for bringing production back into specification and either request further investigation or concur with the Contractor's proposal and allow production to restart.

d. Quality Assurance.

1. **Pavement Density.** The Engineer will identify 6 core sample locations for each lot based on longitudinal and transverse measurements. The Engineer will mark each core location with a two-inch diameter paint dot, which represents the center of the core. The Contractor shall drill a 6 inch core sample at each core location. The Contractor shall notify the Engineer sufficiently in advance of coring to ensure that MDOT has a representative to witness the coring operation and take immediate possession of the cores. The core samples shall be taken after final rolling and at the completion of a lot. As an option, when mutually agreed to by the Engineer and Contractor, the core samples shall be taken prior to traffic staging changes, or at another time that is independent of paving operations. The Contractor shall provide traffic control as required in the special provision for maintaining traffic.

Cores shall not be taken within the segments in which mixture sampling from behind the paver is conducted, hand patching areas or driveways. If the center of the core is less than 5 inches from either edge of pavement, select another transverse random number and move the core to the new location. Core samples shall not be damaged during
removal from the roadway. If, for any reason, a core is damaged or determined not to be representative at the time of coring, the Engineer will evaluate and document the problem and determine if re-coring is necessary.

The minimum core thickness for each mixture type is:

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Cores shall be measured at the time they are extracted from the pavement. Any core disqualified based on the minimum thickness criteria will be discarded and a new core location selected by the Engineer. If more than 50 percent of the cores in a lot are disqualified, production shall stop. Production will not be allowed to continue until the Engineer has confirmed that the paving operation is meeting the contract application rate. The Engineer shall take immediate possession of cores after they are removed from the pavement by the Contractor. The Engineer will maintain continual custody of the cores until they are tested.

All previous pavement, base aggregate or bond coat material shall be sawed off the bottom of the core samples by the Engineer.

The Contractor will be allowed to take up to 6 informational cores per lot for quality control. These cores must be no closer than 2 feet center to center from the MDOT quality assurance (QA) core locations. The size of the Contractor's core must be 5 inches or less in diameter. Any additional informational cores will require the approval of the Engineer.

The core holes shall be filled with hot mixture, and thoroughly compacted as part of the coring operation. The method of filling holes and obtaining compaction shall be agreed upon prior to production.

Pavement density acceptance testing will be completed by the Engineer within four (4) work days after the Engineer has taken possession of the cores at the project site. Testing will be in accordance with ASTM D 2726. The Engineer's test results on the compacted HMA will be used as a basis of acceptance and payment.

2. **Plant Produced Material (Mixture) QA Sampling and Testing.** Location of QA sample sites within each subplot will be by a random process managed by the Engineer. Immediately after the Engineer acquires the samples, fill the voids with HMA.

The Engineer will sample the mixture in accordance with MTM 324, collecting two separate independent 20,000-gram samples at each sample site. These are the QA and appeal samples. The Engineer will assign an identifier to each sample consisting of contract ID, mixture, lot and sublot and deliver the samples to the MDOT Region HMA Laboratory where one 20,000-gram sample may be selected for testing and the other 20,000-gram sample will be retained for possible appeal testing.
One sublot sample will be randomly chosen for Department acceptance testing. If the test results are within the single test tolerance shown in Table 2, then the HMA will be accepted for the entire lot. If the test results exceed the tolerances of Table 2, then the remaining sublot samples will be tested. If the average of the test results meets the lot average tolerance of Table 2, then the HMA will be accepted for the lot. If these criteria are not satisfied, the HMA price adjustments detailed in section g. and Table 3 of this Special Provision will be applied.

Plant produced material acceptance testing will be completed by the Engineer within four calendar days after the completion of the lot. The Engineer will conduct the following tests.

A. Maximum Specific Gravity, $G_{mm}$ (MTM 314)

B. Bulk Compacted Density, $N_{\text{max}}$ (ASTM D 1559 paragraph 4.5)

C. Air Voids, (calculated)

D. Voids in Mineral Aggregate, VMA (calculated)

E. Composition of the Mixture- Asphalt binder content based on calculated value using sublot maximum specific gravity ($G_{mm}$) and current JMF effective specific gravity ($G_{se}$); the retained Gmm shall be used for gradation (ASTM C 136, C 117) and crushed particle content (MTM 117) from extracted (ASTM D 2172) or incinerated (MTM 319) aggregate, or from MTM 311.

3. **Daily Asphalt Binder Certification Verification Samples.** Obtain the asphalt binder sample, correctly label the sample container, and complete a Sample Identification (Bituminous Material) (Form 1923B) dated (02/03). The form must be filled out correctly and completely, and signed before the sample is given to the Engineer. The daily asphalt binder sample must be taken from a sampling spigot located on the pipeline supplying asphalt binder to the plant, in a position between the asphalt binder pump and the point where the asphalt binder enters the mixture. Personnel safety is critical in selecting the position of the sampling spigot. Give the binder sample and completed Form 1923B to the Engineer.

Collect the daily asphalt binder sample in a one-pint (16 ounce), slip top, seamless ointment tin. The tin must be at least three quarters full. Three one-point containers must be obtained if the binder being sampled has the “P” designation (e.g., PG 70-28P). One of these three containers must be marked with the letter “R”, designating it as a referee sample. This is described in the Special Provision for Polymer Modified Performance Grade Binders included in the contract documents. All containers must be labeled in a legible format with the following information.

- MDOT control section and job number
- Binder grade
- Binder supplier certifier number
- Supplier name, city and state
- Date sampled
- Mix type
The Engineer may request to witness the sampling of the asphalt binder upon any visit to the HMA plant. The Engineer will complete the 1923B (02/03) form for the witness sample. The witness sample will become the daily asphalt binder sample of record. Any other binder sample taken that same day will be discarded.

The Engineer may request a copy of the MDOT Binder Certification Documents. These copies must be presented to the Engineer when the respective daily binder samples and 1923B (02/03) forms are picked up at the plant. The Engineer will review these documents and communicate any problems that may arise. The Engineer will deliver the certification documents to the MDOT C&T Central Laboratory.

e. Retest and Appeal Process for Plant Produced Material (Mixture). At the Engineer’s request, the MDOT C&T Central Laboratory may perform appeal testing on all or part of the remaining sublot appeal samples. A request may be made by the Contractor to the Engineer to review the quality control test results and consider the quality control test results in determining if appeal testing is warranted. Quality control test results must be within the lot averages of Table 2 to be considered. All appeal samples will be properly identified and sent to the MDOT C&T Central Laboratory for testing. Using the same test method option, the appeal sample will be tested for all QA parameters. All test data will be delivered to the Engineer. All appeal results will replace original QA test results.

f. Project Documentation. The format of all test reports and quality control charts to be submitted by the Contractor will be approved by the Engineer before mixture production is allowed to commence. Suggested formats of reports and charts are available from the Engineer. Project documentation to be provided by the Contractor shall include, but may not be limited to, the following.

1. Lot Basis. Control charts of all test data must be current (data should be plotted as soon as the test is complete) and available for review by the Engineer.

2. Project Summation. Control charts for all test data indicating individual test values, lot averages and the running average of five.

g. Measurement and Payment. Separate payment will not be made for providing and maintaining an effective hot mix asphalt quality control program as specified by this special provision. All costs associated with the work described in this special provision will be included in the applicable unit prices for the related HMA mixtures. HMA, (type) will be measured as specified in section 502.04 of the standard specification and the contract documents.

1. HMA Mixture Unit Price Adjustment. Adjustments to the contract unit price for HMA will be calculated for each of four sets of criteria. The largest adjustment allowable in each case will be imposed and unit price adjustments will be applied cumulatively (pavement density + HMA + failure to suspend operations) to the affected tonnage. Each of the unit price adjustments is detailed below.

A. Pavement Density - Based on pavement cores tested by the Engineer, either a 10 percent or a 25 percent adjustment in the HMA Mixture contract unit price may be imposed. The following criteria will be used and only the highest calculated pavement density price adjustment will be applied.
i. A negative 10 percent adjustment in the HMA Mixture contract unit price will be imposed if either the lot average pavement density is less than 92.0 percent but equal to or greater than 91.0 percent or the conditions of column (1) of the Pavement Density Core Table (Table 4) are satisfied.

ii. A negative 25 percent adjustment in the HMA Mixture contract unit price will be imposed if either the lot average pavement density is less than 91.0 percent but equal to or greater than 90.0 percent or the conditions of column (2) of the Pavement Density Core Table (Table 4) are satisfied.

B. Hot Mix Asphalt Mixture - If, for asphalt binder content, air voids, G\text{mm} or VMA the difference between the lot average and the JMF is within the lot average tolerance shown in Table 2, no adjustment will be made to the unit price for HMA Mixture under this criteria.

If the lot average tolerance is exceeded for one or more parameter, a negative adjustment will be made to the contract unit price for HMA Mixture in accordance with Table 3. Only the largest of the four possible pay adjustments for this set of criteria will be assessed. This price adjustment is applied to the entire lot tonnage.

C. Failure to Suspend Operations - If at any time during production, testing shows that a deviation has occurred which requires production to be suspended and the Contractor continues to operate, the sublot in production at the time shutdown should have occurred, and any subsequent tonnage, will be subject to a negative 25 percent unit price adjustment until testing shows that specification material is again being produced.

2. Removal. The cost of the mixture removed and the removal cost will be borne by the Contractor. Removal decisions will be applied to the entire lot.

A. If, for other than the initial production lot of base course, pavement density for any lot (average of the 6 lot cores) is less than 90.0 percent, the Contractor shall remove and replace the lot.

B. If the total contract unit price adjustment applied to a lot is 60 percent or more, the lot will be evaluated by the Engineer. If the Engineer determines that removal is warranted, the Contractor shall remove and replace the lot.

C. The Engineer reserves the right to evaluate any lot whose test results for asphalt binder content, G\text{mm}, VMA, or air voids, exceed the single test tolerances shown in Table 2. If the Engineer determines that the in-place mixture will not perform in accordance with normal standards the Contractor shall remove and replace the lot.
### Table 1: HMA Quality Control Testing Tolerances (+ or -) From Process Quality Control Targets

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<td>Maximum Specific Gravity (Gmm) *</td>
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<td>Crushed Particle Content *</td>
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*Parameters with Target Values

### Table 2: HMA Quality Assurance Testing Tolerances (+ or -) from JMF

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**Or Less determined by VMA Value from the special provision for Marshall HMA Mixtures.

### Table 3: HMA Mixture Pay Adjustments

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<th>Negative Unit Price Adjustment (%)</th>
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### Table 4: Pavement Density Core Table

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*Note: A mixture requiring an air void target value lower than 3.0 percent for non-traffic areas will require a corresponding increase in the pavement density values.*
a. Description. This special provision sets forth the quality control and quality assurance procedures that will be followed for acceptance of and payment for hot mix asphalt (HMA). Except as modified by this or other contract documents, the standard specifications shall apply. In cases where this special provision may conflict with another special provision or supplemental specification, this special provision will prevail.

1. Terminology.

Quality Control (QC) - All activities that have to do with making the quality of a product what it should be: including training, materials sampling and testing, project oversight and documentation.

Quality Assurance (QA) - All activities that have to do with making sure the quality of a product is what it should be: including materials sampling and testing, construction inspection, and review of Contractor quality control documentation.

HMA Design - The selection and proportioning of aggregate(s), mineral filler (if required), reclaimed asphalt pavement (RAP), and asphalt binder such that the specified mixture design criteria are met. Laboratory evaluation is required to determine if the stated mix design complies with specifications.

Job Mix Formula (JMF) - A HMA mixture for a specific project. This may include adjustments to the mix design to optimize the field application.

Target Value - A JMF parameter value, which may be adjusted, if approved by the Engineer, to account for changes in the physical properties of the mixture.

JMF Adjustment - The Contractor may propose an adjustment to the JMF based on QC and/or QA test results. The proposed JMF must meet the requirements of the special provision for Superpave HMA Mixtures included in this proposal. When approved by the Engineer, a JMF adjustment may be applied retroactively to one lot, for parameters with target values.

Voids in Mineral Aggregate (VMA) - The volume of void space between the aggregate particles of a compacted paving mixture that includes the air voids and the asphalt binder not absorbed into the aggregate, expressed as a percent of the total volume of mixture.
Effective Specific Gravity ($G_{se}$) - The ratio of the oven dry weight in air of a unit volume of an aggregate (excluding voids permeable to asphalt) at a stated temperature to the weight of an equal volume of water at a stated temperature.

Bulk Specific Gravity of Aggregate ($G_{sb}$) - The ratio of the oven dry weight in air of a unit volume of an aggregate at a stated temperature to the weight of an equal volume of water at a stated temperature.

Maximum Specific Gravity of Mixture ($G_{mm}$) - The ratio of the weight in air of a unit volume of an uncompacted HMA at a stated temperature to the weight of an equal volume of water at a stated temperature.

Lot - HMA mixture produced and placed under this special provision is evaluated on a lot-by-lot basis. A lot is made up of a discrete tonnage of one mixture. Each lot is made up of three sublots. These sublots will be of approximately equal size of 1500 tons.

If only one or two sublots are included in a lot at the end of production, they will be combined with the previous lot using the same mix and this combined lot will be evaluated based on all sublot samples.

Initial Production Lot - All testing for the initial production lot must be completed prior to any further mixture production, unless prior approval is received from the Engineer. The Contractor will be allowed to continue production if all the QA test results for this lot are within the single test and lot average tolerances specified in Table 2 and no JMF changes are requested.

Lot Average Test Result - The average of all sublot QA test results, for a specific parameter, for the lot. Test results for any sublot removed from the project will not be used in calculating a lot average. However, the replacement material will be tested and the results included in the lot average.

Trial Run - With prior approval of the Engineer, the Contractor may produce and test the mixture(s) to be used on this project prior to placing the mixture(s). The testing frequency will be as specified in this special provision. Requests for JMF adjustments may be made based on the trial run test results. All costs associated with the trial run, including materials and testing will be borne by the Contractor.

Process Quality Control Targets - These targets are established by the Contractor, based on initial production lot test results (and from any approved trial run), for air voids, VMA, asphalt binder content and $G_{mm}$. QC tolerances will be applied to these established targets to determine the need for production changes, including stopping production, to control the quality of the product. Process quality control targets must be reported to the Engineer prior to the end of placement of the second lot.

Rounding of Numbers - Rounding of numerical data will follow ASTM E29, Rounding Method as described in the HMA Production Manual.

Random Sampling - Except as modified herein, QA sample locations will be determined as outlined in section A-12 of the Materials Quality Assurance Manual.
A. Prior to the pre-production meeting, the Engineer will generate three columns of random numbers using a computer spreadsheet program or a calculator. The random numbers will be used for the longitudinal and the transverse measurement for determining the core location and the HMA mixture sample location. An excess amount of random numbers will be generated to take into account overruns or any situation where another random number is required.

B. At the pre-production meeting, each page that lists random numbers, with the numbers covered by a separate sheet of paper, will be presented to be signed by the HMA-QC Plan Administrator and the Engineer.

C. The original signed list will be placed in the project file and a copy will be provided to the field inspector for the project.

D. When the project is completed, a copy of the list of random numbers will be provided to the Contractor upon request.

2. **Sampling and Testing Procedures.** In addition to the requirements of the Standard Specifications for Construction and the *HMA Production Manual*, the following sampling and testing procedures are to be followed in completing this work.

**ASTM**
- D 2172 Test Methods for Quantitative Extraction of Bitumen from Bituminous Paving Mixtures
- D 2041 Test Method for Theoretical Maximum Specific Gravity and Density of Bituminous Paving Mixtures
- D 2726 Test Method for Bulk Specific Gravity and Density of Compacted Bituminous Mixtures Using Saturated Surface-Dry Specimens
- C 136 Test Method for Sieve Analysis of Fine and Coarse Aggregates
- C 117 Test Method for Materials finer than 75-µm (no. 200) Sieve in Mineral Aggregates by Washing
- E 29 Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications

**AASHTO**
- R 30 Mixture Conditioning of Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA)
- R 35 Superpave Volumetric Design for Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA)
- T 312 Preparing and Determining the Density of Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) Specimens by Means of the Superpave™ Gyratory Compactor
- PP 35 Evaluation of Superpave™ Gyratory Compactors (SGCs)

**MTM (Michigan Test Method)**
- 311 Determining Aggregate Gradation for Bituminous Mixture
- 117 Determining Percentage of Crushed Particles in Aggregates
- 118 Measuring Fine Aggregate Angularity
- 110 Determining Deleterious and Objectionable Particles in Aggregates
- 319 Determination of Asphalt Content from Asphalt Paving Mixtures by the Ignition Method
- 313 Sampling Bituminous Mixtures
- 324 Sampling HMA Mixtures from Behind the Paver
b. 

**Equipment.** A Superpave gyratory compactor (SGC) shall be provided by the Contractor at the plant site for QC testing. The compactor must be successfully evaluated in accordance with AASHTO PP 35-98. The report of this evaluation shall be available for review by the Engineer.

The Contractor shall provide, and install with the SGC, a computer, monitor, mouse, printer, and software capable of data acquisition and reporting.

c. **Quality Control.** The Engineer will not sample or test for quality control or assist in controlling the Contractor’s production or placement operations. The Contractor will be responsible for establishing a Quality Control Plan that contains all of the elements listed in Section 503 of the Standard Specification for Construction.

In order to be used in making the decision for the Retest and Appeal Process (section e.), QC samples shall be obtained using a random sampling procedure. Each test report associated with the sample must include an identifier to allow all test reports to be linked to a specific lot or sublot within the project. Non-random QC HMA (loose) samples can also be taken.

The Contractor shall maintain daily control charts and have them available for review at the plant at all times. Copies of these control charts shall be provided to the Engineer if requested. All test results shall be plotted and used in quality control decisions. When corrective action is necessary, the Contractor shall notify the Engineer in writing of the specific action taken. Failure to take corrective action as required will result in negative adjustment to the unit price for HMA as described in section (g) of this special provision.

1. **HMA (Loose) Gradation.** The Contractor shall test the mixture gradation for all sieve sizes reported on the JMF and plot them on a .45 power chart. This chart must clearly show control points and the restricted zone as these are defined in the Special Provision for Superpave HMA Mixtures included in this proposal.

   A. The gradation shall be maintained within the control points. If the Contractor’s test results for three consecutive single tests, or two consecutive running average of five values, on the same sieve are outside of the control points, the Contractor shall correct the gradation to maintain results within the control points and immediately notify the Engineer. If the corrections do not result in gradations inside the control points within the next three consecutive single tests, then production shall stop.

   B. The gradation shall be maintained outside of the restricted zone as defined in the Special Provision for Superpave HMA Mixtures. If the Contractor’s test results for three consecutive single tests on the same sieve, or two consecutive running average of five values on two consecutive sieves, fall within or pass through the restricted zone, the Contractor shall correct the gradation to maintain results outside the restricted zone and immediately notify the Engineer. If the corrections do not result in gradations outside the restricted zone within the next three consecutive single tests, then production shall stop.

   C. If corrective actions result in a change to the aggregate blend proportions which accumulate to 10 percent or more from the original mix design submittal, a recalculation of the $G_{ab}$ for VMA determination is required.
2. **HMA (Loose) Volumetrics.** If the difference between the established process quality control targets and the QC test results exceed the single test or running average of five tolerances shown in Table 1, the Contractor will immediately notify the Engineer, follow the QCP and necessary corrective action(s), if any, shall be implemented.

If the next QC test for that mixture again exceeds a QC tolerance, production shall stop and the Contractor shall immediately notify the Engineer. The Engineer will evaluate the Contractor's proposal for bringing production back into specification and either request further investigation or concur with the Contractor's proposal and allow production to restart.

d. **Quality Assurance.**

1. **Pavement Density.** The Engineer will identify 6 core sample locations for each lot based on longitudinal and transverse measurements. The Engineer will mark each core location with a two-inch diameter paint dot, which represents the center of the core. The Contractor shall drill a 6 inch core sample at each core location. The Contractor shall notify the Engineer sufficiently in advance of coring to ensure that MDOT has a representative to witness the coring operation and take immediate possession of the cores. The core samples shall be taken after final rolling and at the completion of a lot.

As an option, when mutually agreed to by the Engineer and Contractor, the core samples shall be taken prior to traffic staging changes, or at another time that is independent of paving operations. The Contractor shall provide traffic control as required in the special provision for maintaining traffic.

Cores shall not be taken within the segments, in which mixture sampling from behind the paver is conducted, hand patching areas or driveways. If the center of the core is less than 5 inches from either edge of pavement, select another transverse random number and move the core to the new location. Core samples shall not be damaged during removal from the roadway. If, for any reason, a core is damaged or determined not to be representative at the time of coring, the Engineer will evaluate and document the problem and determine if re-coring is necessary.

The minimum core thickness for each mixture type is:

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<th>HMA Mixture No.</th>
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Cores shall be measured at the time they are extracted from the pavement. Any core disqualified based on the minimum thickness criteria will be discarded and a new core location selected by the Engineer. If more than 50 percent of the cores in a lot are disqualified, production shall stop. Production will not be allowed to continue until the Engineer has confirmed that the paving operation is meeting the contract application rate. The Engineer shall take immediate possession of cores after they are removed from the pavement by the Contractor. The Engineer will maintain continual custody of the cores until they are tested.
All previous pavement, base aggregate, or bond coat material shall be sawed off the bottom of the core samples by the Engineer.

The Contractor will be allowed to take up to 6 informational cores per lot for quality control. These cores must be no closer than 2 feet center to center from the MDOT quality assurance (QA) core locations. The size of the Contractor's core must be 5 inches or less in diameter. Any additional informational cores will require the approval of the Engineer.

The core holes shall be filled with hot mixture, and thoroughly compacted as part of the coring operation. The method of filling holes and obtaining compaction shall be agreed upon prior to production. Pavement density acceptance testing will be completed by the Engineer within four (4) working days after the Engineer has taken possession of the cores at the project site. Testing will be in accordance with ASTM D 2726. The Engineer's test results on the compacted HMA will be used as a basis of acceptance and payment.

2. **Plant Produced Material (Mixture) QA Sampling and Testing.** Location of QA sample sites within each sublot will be by a random process managed by the Engineer. Immediately after the Engineer acquires the samples, fill the voids with HMA.

The Engineer will sample the mixture in accordance with MTM 324, collecting two independent 20,000-gram samples at each sample site. These are the QA and appeal samples. The Engineer will assign an identifier to each sample consisting of contract ID, mixture, lot and sublot and deliver the samples to the MDOT Region HMA Laboratory where one 20,000-gram sample may be selected for testing and the other 20,000-gram sample will be retained for possible appeal testing.

One sublot sample will be randomly chosen for Department acceptance testing. If the test results are within the single test tolerance shown in Table 2, then the HMA will be accepted for the entire lot. If the test results exceed the tolerances of Table 2, then the remaining sublot samples will be tested. If the average of the test results meets the lot average tolerance of Table 2, then the HMA will be accepted for the lot. If these criteria are not satisfied, the HMA price adjustments detailed in section g. and Table 3 of this Special Provision will be applied.

Plant produced material acceptance testing will be completed by the Engineer within four calendar days after the completion of the lot. The Engineer will conduct the following tests.

A. Maximum Specific Gravity, \( G_{mm} \) (MTM 314)

B. Bulk Compacted Density, \( N_{\text{max}} \) (MTM 315)

C. Air Voids, \( N_{\text{as}}, N_{\text{des}}, N_{\text{max}}^* \) (AASHTO PP28-97) (* for information only)

D. Voids in Mineral Aggregate, VMA (AASHTO PP28-97)

E. Voids Filled with Asphalt, VFA* (AASHTO PP28-97) (*for information only)
F. Ratio of Fines to Effective Asphalt Binder*, P_{200}/P_{be} (*for information only)

G. Composition of the Mixture- Asphalt binder content based on calculated value using sublot maximum specific gravity (G_{mm}) and current JMF effective specific gravity (G_{se}); the retained G_{mm} shall be used for gradation (ASTM C 136, C 117) and crushed particle content (MTM 117) from extracted (ASTM D 2172) or incinerated (MTM 319) aggregate, or from MTM 311.

3. Daily Asphalt Binder Certification Verification Samples. Obtain the asphalt binder sample, correctly label the sample container, and complete a Sample Identification (Bituminous Material) (Form 1923B) dated (02/03). The form must be filled out correctly and completely, and signed before the sample is given to the Engineer. The daily asphalt binder sample must be taken from a sampling spigot located on the pipeline supplying asphalt binder to the plant, in a position between the asphalt binder pump and the point where the asphalt binder enters the mixture. Personnel safety is critical in selecting the position of the sampling spigot. Give the binder sample and completed Form 1923B to the Engineer.

Collect the daily asphalt binder sample in a one-pint (16 ounce), slip top, seamless ointment tin. The tin must be at least three quarters full. Three one-pint containers must be obtained if the binder being sampled has the “P” designation (e.g., PG 70-28P). One of these three containers must be marked with the letter “R”, designating it as a referee sample. This is described in the Special Provision for Polymer Modified Performance Grade Binders included in the contract documents. All containers must be labeled in a legible format with the following information.

- MDOT control section and job number
- Binder grade
- Binder supplier certifier number
- Supplier name, city and state
- Date sampled
- Mix type

The Engineer may request to witness the sampling of the asphalt binder upon any visit to the HMA plant. The Engineer will complete the 1923B (02/03) form for the witness sample. The witness sample will become the daily asphalt binder sample of record. Any other binder sample taken that same day will be discarded.

The Engineer may request a copy of the MDOT Binder Certification Documents. These copies must be presented to the Engineer when the respective daily binder samples and 1923B (02/03) forms are picked up at the plant. The Engineer will review these documents and communicate any problems that may arise. The Engineer will deliver the certification documents to the MDOT C&T Central Laboratory.

e. Retest and Appeal Process for Plant Produced Material (Mixture). At the Engineer’s request, the MDOT C&T Central Laboratory may perform appeal testing on all or part of the remaining sublot appeal samples. A request may be made by the Contractor to the Engineer to review the quality control test results and consider the quality control test results in determining if appeal testing is warranted. Quality control test results must be within the lot averages of
Table 2 to be considered. All appeal samples will be properly identified and sent to the MDOT C&T Central Central Laboratory for testing. Using the same test method option, the appeal sample will be tested for all QA parameters. All test data will be delivered to the Engineer. All appeal results will replace original QA test results.

f. Project Documentation. The format of all test reports and quality control charts to be submitted by the Contractor will be approved by the Engineer before mixture production is allowed to commence. Suggested formats of reports and charts are available from the Engineer. Project documentation to be provided by the Contractor shall include, but may not be limited to, the following.

1. Lot Basis. Control charts of all test data must be current (data should be plotted as soon as the test is complete) and available for review by the Engineer.

2. Project Summation. Control charts for all test data indicating individual test values, lot averages and the running average of five.

g. Measurement and Payment. Separate payment will not be made for providing and maintaining an effective hot mix asphalt quality control program as specified by this special provision. All costs associated with the work described in this special provision will be included in the applicable unit prices for the related HMA mixtures. HMA, (type) will be measured as specified in subsection 502.04 of the Standard Specification for Construction and the contract documents.

1. HMA Mixture Unit Price Adjustment. Adjustments to the contract unit price for HMA will be calculated for each of four sets of criteria. The largest adjustment allowable in each case will be imposed and unit price adjustments will be applied cumulatively (pavement density +HMA + failure to suspend operations) to the affected tonnage. Each of the unit price adjustments is detailed below.

A. Pavement Density - Based on pavement cores tested by the Engineer, either a 10 percent or a 25 percent adjustment in the HMA Mixture contract unit price may be imposed. The following criteria will be used and only the highest calculated pavement density price adjustment will be applied.

i. A negative 10 percent adjustment in the HMA Mixture contract unit price will be imposed if either the lot average pavement density is less than 92.0 percent but equal to or greater than 91.0 percent or the conditions of column (1) of the Pavement Density Core Table (Table 4) are satisfied.

ii. A negative 25 percent adjustment in the HMA Mixture contract unit price will be imposed if either the lot average pavement density is less than 91.0 percent but equal to or greater than 90.0 percent or the conditions of column (2) of the Pavement Density Core Table (Table 4) are satisfied.

B. Hot Mix Asphalt Mixture - If, for asphalt binder content, air voids, G\textsubscript{mm} or VMA the difference between the lot average and the JMF is within the lot average tolerance shown in Table 2, no adjustment will be made to the unit price for HMA Mixture under this criteria.
If the lot average tolerance is exceeded for one or more parameter, a negative adjustment will be made to the contract unit price for **HMA Mixture** in accordance with Table 3. Only the largest of the four possible pay adjustments for this set of criteria will be assessed. This price adjustment is applied to the entire lot tonnage.

C. Failure to Suspend Operations - If at any time during production, testing shows that a deviation has occurred which requires production to be suspended and the Contractor continues to operate, the sublot in production at the time shutdown should have occurred, and any subsequent tonnage, will be subject to a negative 25 percent unit price adjustment until testing shows that specification material is again being produced.

2. **Removal.** The cost of the mixture removed and the removal cost will be borne by the Contractor. Removal decisions will be applied to the entire lot.

   A. If, for other than the initial production lot of base course, pavement density for any lot (average of the 6 lot cores) is less than 90.0 percent, the Contractor shall remove and replace the lot.

   B. If the total contract unit price adjustment applied to a lot is 60 percent or more, the lot will be evaluated by the Engineer. If the Engineer determines that removal is warranted, the Contractor shall remove and replace the lot.

   C. The Engineer reserves the right to evaluate any lot whose test results for asphalt binder content, $G_{mm}$, VMA, or air voids, exceed the single test tolerances shown in Table 2. If the Engineer determines that the in-place mixture will not perform in accordance with normal standards the Contractor shall remove and replace the lot.

<p>| Table 1: HMA Quality Control Testing Tolerances (+ or -) From Process Quality Control Targets |</p>
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## Table 4: Pavement Density Core Table

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