

State of Illinois
Department of Transportation
Division of Aeronautics

POLICY MEMORANDUM

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Springfield

Number: **90-1**

TO: CONSULTING ENGINEERS

SUBJECT: Resampling and Retesting of PCC Pavement

I. PURPOSE

This Policy Memorandum outlines the procedure for resampling and retesting of individual Lots of PCC Pavement for the determination of final Price Adjustment as permitted by the Special Provisions for Item 501 Portland Cement Concrete Pavement (Plain and Reinforced).

II. RESAMPLING AND RETESTING

If the contractor should request the resampling and retesting of a LOT, he must notify the Engineer in writing within 24 hours of receiving the written test results and payment results for the LOT in question. The entire LOT must be resampled (no selective resampling of individual sublots will be allowed) and the contractor is not allowed to take additional cores. Once approval to resample has been granted the contractor shall resample within five (5) working days. The Engineer will select random locations from each SUBLOT of the LOT in question and direct the contractor to drill two (2) 4 inch or 6 inch diameter cores from each location. The cores shall be obtained, cured and tested in accordance with ASTM C42, Obtaining and Testing Drilled Cores and Sawed Beams of Concrete. The Engineer will take possession of the cores once they have been cut by the contractor.

III. CALCULATION FOR PRICE ADJUSTMENT

1. When Compressive Test Specification (501-3.6(A) Proportions) is specified. The two (2) specimens from each SUBLOT shall be averaged to constitute one SUBLOT sample. The Percent Within Limits (PWL) for the LOT shall then be calculated in accordance with Item 501-5.3, Price Adjustment, of the Special Provisions using the sampled core compressive strengths and the Compressive Test formula. The final Price Adjustment shall be based on the PWL calculated using the sampled core compressive strengths. The test results of the resampled pavement are final. All costs associated with resampling, including, but not limited to testing, curing, and coring the concrete samples shall be borne by the contractor, regardless as to whether the test results increase or decrease calculated payment quantity of concrete pavement.

2. When Flexural Test Specification (501-3.6(B) Proportions) is specified. The two (2) specimens from each SUBLOT shall be averaged to constitute one SUBLOT sample. The SUBLOT samples shall then be averaged to obtain a LOT average. In order for the contractor to increase concrete payment quantity back to 100%, the LOT average shall be at least 6500 psi, and no individual SUBLOT sample shall be less than 6000 psi. Both the LOT average and SUBLOT sample strength requirements must be met in order for the concrete payment quantity to change back to 100%. If both requirements are not met, then the original concrete payment quantity calculated based on the Percent Within Limits (PWL) as outlined in 501-5.3, Price Adjustment, of the Special Provisions shall still apply. The test results of the resampled pavement are final. All costs associated with resampling, including, but not limited to testing, curing, and coring the concrete samples shall be borne by the contractor, regardless as to whether the test results increase or decrease calculated payment quantity of concrete pavement.

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