



MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

ACAF Specification Committee Meeting

Fri. October 15th, 2021

10:00 am – 12:55 pm EST

7860 Professional Place Tampa, FL 33637

AJAX Conference Room

Committee Members in attendance:

➤ **In-Person**

- David Allain - ACAF
- Tim Carter – P&S Paving
- Carl Dempsey – Asphalt Technologies, Inc.
- Rick Fort – Preferred Materials
- Damon Markwell – Ranger Construction Industries
- Mark Musselman – ACAF
- Tanya Nash – Asphalt Testing Solutions & Engineering
- Patrick Pienkos – Ranger Construction Industries
- Renato Reis – Ranger Construction Industries

➤ **Virtual (Teams)**

- Albert Lopez – General Asphalt
- Eron Chambers – Hubbard Construction
- Joe Meier – Middlesex Co.
- Joseph Donaruma – Preferred Materials
- Steve McReynolds – Asphalt Testing Solutions & Engineering

1. Call to Order

Chair Carter calls the meeting to order at 10:12 am.

2. Acknowledgement of Anti-Trust Policy

Chair Carter recognizes ACAFs Anti-Trust Policy. Unanimous consent is given to agree to adhere to its direction.

3. Acknowledgement of Conflict-of-Interest Policy

Chair Carter recognizes ACAFs Conflict of Interest Policy. Unanimous consent is given.

4. Old Business

I. Chair Carter reviews previous meeting minutes.

- i. Technical Director (TD) Allain provides follow-up for some items from the previous minutes.

5. Chair Carter begins reviewing New Business

I. July 2022 Proposed Specification Changes.

- i. Committee requests a follow-up with DOT shall be initiated by ACAF for the “334-5.9.5 Defective Material” proposed changes. The committee would like the intent of the proposed change to be clarified firstly and also clarification of the purpose of 3 additional box samples. Overall, the committee strongly disagrees with the notion of disallowing the EAR PE to take into consideration ALL of the testing performed during production of any subject mix.

II. Contractor Proposed Topics

- i. TD Allain provides a summary of the FDOT’s proposal for an asphalt release agent approved products (APL) list.
 - 1. Committee members disagree with the decision of adding an APL and ask that the current process continue as there is not much issue with the current process.
- ii. Chair Carter provides a summary of rolling straight edge deficiency standards and new proposed change, by Richard Hewitt, to the specifications to mimic the IRI standards of contractor correction without interruption of DOT personnel for structural lifts. Committee agrees with proposed changes.
- iii. TD Allain provides summary of issue for 5 second bulk SSD time limit not adhering to AASHTO or ASTM standard.

1. Committee members agree that the Florida Method for Bulk Specific Gravity, FM 1-T 166 should be revised to reflect AASHTO and ASTM standards. (5 second SSD to 15 second SSD)
- iv. TD Allain provides summary of idea of including verbiage of requiring the second IV tests to be, at minimum, run by a different technician than the first IV tests.
 1. Committee members strongly agree that a system of checks and balances on IV tests should be implemented. They are open to ideas.
- v. Committee agrees that a list of proposed responses from the spec committee will be summarized by the chairman and a draft sent out to all committee members for review before formal rebuttal to the Department or further review by the Board of Directors depending on the nature of the issue.

6. Next Meeting Date

- I. **Tentatively January 21st, 2021. Orlando, Florida**

7. Meeting Adjourned at 12:55 pm

Action Items

1. **Bring the proposed topics in the above minutes to the following ACAF Board Meeting, November 30th, 2021. Orlando, FL.**
2. **Generate a list of proposed specification changes into a formal response letter that the ACAF Specification Committee and Board of Directors shall review prior to delivering to the FDOT.**