Memorandum

To: ALL CONSTRUCTION EMPLOYEES Date: July 3, 2001

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From: DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DIVISION OF CONSTRUCTION, MS 44

Subject: Respirator Use during Rubberized Asphalt Concrete (RAC) and Performance Based Asphalt (PBA) Paving

Attached is a memorandum from the department's Office of Health and Safety Services with a "Code of Safe Practices for RAC."

In accordance with the memorandum:

<u>Construction field employees</u> should ensure that contractors comply with the specification limiting asphalt temperatures to below 325°F.

<u>Resident engineers</u> should include the RAC Code of Safe Practices on appropriate projects and ensure that employees working on those projects with RAC or PBA Paving read the RAC Code of Safe Practices.

<u>Construction engineers</u> should ensure that employees experiencing illness/irritation or requesting a respirator during paving operations get the required medical evaluation, training, fit testing, and issuance of respirator.

As noted in the memorandum, please contact Joseph C. Curtis at (916) 227-2642 or Ted Brucker at (916) 227-2688 if there are any questions or comments.

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Attachment

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