

**Attachment 4**

**Record of Blanket Prior Approval for Major Contract Change Order**

**Form FHWA CA-358(c)**

**Signed by Jason Dietz, FHWA**

**Dated October 4, 2005**

## RECORD OF BLANKET PRIOR APPROVAL FOR MAJOR CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER

PROJECT NO. Statewide	CCO NO. Various	CONTRACT NO. Any Federally Funded Project	DIST-CO-RTE-PM Various
REQUESTED BY Chuck Suszko			DATE 9/30/2005
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>CALTRANS HQ</u>			

**PROPOSED CHANGE:**

Modifications to the requirements of Section 92, "Asphalts," of the Standard Specifications which provides specifications for asphalt based on the AR classification system. This change replaces AR asphalt with PG asphalt.

Contract time will not be extended. There will be no cost or credit to the State because of this change. If any change in cost is anticipated, the Resident Engineer will have to apply for all necessary FHWA and State approvals to execute the change.

REASON FOR CHANGE:

The State of California is joining the other 49 States in implementing the Performance Graded (PG) classification system for paving asphalt by January 1, 2006. The PG system employs a rigorous grading system to produce consistent asphalt grades. The PG system is based on the asphalt binder's contribution to asphalt pavement distress (i.e. rutting, durability, and low temperature cracking) for specific project climate conditions. The PG system allows for the selection of proper PG binder grade best suited to a specific project's environment with the goal of minimized pavement distress.

This change allows the Contractor to replace AR asphalt with PG asphalt for contracts with bid opening dates prior to January 1, 2006.

Any change in specifications requires Caltrans Division of Construction approval and FHWA prior approval for federally funded full-oversight projects. Statewide blanket prior approval is being sought to avoid the need for processing numerous prior approvals for this change on a contract by contract basis.

AS DISCUSSED IN FIELD (REPORT NO.) **Not Applicable**

TIME EXTENSIONS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE      DAY S <input type="checkbox"/> DEFERRED		ACTIVITY ON CRITICAL PATH AFFECTED BY CCO (IF TIME EXTENSION INVOLVED) Not Applicable	
ESTIMATE OF COST: \$ Zero <input type="checkbox"/> INCREASE <input type="checkbox"/> DECREASE		CCO: METHOD OF PAYMENT <input type="checkbox"/> CONTRACT <input type="checkbox"/> ADJUSTMENT OF COMPENSATION <input type="checkbox"/> AGREED PRICE <input type="checkbox"/> EXTRA WORK AT FORCE ACCOUNT	

THE WORK COVERED BY THE PROPOSED REVISION AS DESCRIBED ABOVE IS APPROVED SUBJECT TO SUBMISSION OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION INCLUDING COST EVALUATION AND JUSTIFICATION OF TIME EXTENSIONS.

OTHER CONDITIONS: None

PRIOR APPROVAL TO PROCEED GRANTED BY:  
Jason Dietz

DATE OF AUTHORIZATION (Date Signed)  
October 4, 2005