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TO: Al

All Division Engineers

FROM:

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RE:

Uniformity Test Requirements

The Bureau of Materials and Tests has received several inquiries recently, from both Division Materials personnel and industry representatives, about the Uniformity Test listed as a check-list item on form BMT-95 for ready mix plant inspections. The purpose of this technical advisory is to clarify and document what the requirements are for the Uniformity Test.

Once per month, all approved concrete plants should test one batch of concrete for slump, air content, temperature and compressive strength, independent of the acceptance testing required for ALDOT projects. These tests shall be conducted a minimum of once per month, regardless of whether the plant is actively supplying concrete to the Department or not. Producers should test the same Class & Type of concrete each month. Producers should keep a record of these test results and be able to furnish them to Division Materials personnel during their monthly or bi-weekly plant inspections.

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Cc:

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