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**Subject:** Revised Implementation Dates for the 2001 Standard Specifications

**Process Affected:**

Scope  Design  Right of Way  Utilities  Environmental  Historic  Construction

**Bureaus Affected:**

All Design Consultants  
In-House Design/QA Review Units  
Division of Project Management

**Procedure(s) Affected:**

Design Development  
QA/QC

**Nature of Problem(s):**

At the NJDOT Design Summit which was held on November 1, 2001 at the Holiday Inn – Monroe in Jamesburg, NJ, information relative to new Quality Assurance & Project Input Procedures was presented. Part of these procedures included the announcement of the new 2001 Standard Specifications that will soon be released along with an implementation plan for their use.

In addition it was announced that designers will undertake additional responsibilities for the preparation of the Special Provisions, including the Standard Input (SI) and the project estimate.

**Recommendation(s):**

In order to prepare for the release of these specifications (metric and English), several related actions need to also be undertaken including development of the Metric and English SI, revisions to the Department's QA process, and new Progress Schedule requirements. Also, the procedures for designers for the preparation of the Special Provisions and the Estimate are currently being prepared and will soon be released through a Baseline Document Change announcement.

As a result of these necessary revisions, the implementation plan for projects that are to be designed using the 2001 Standard specifications must be revised as follows:

**Projects Being Developed in English Units:**

**The English 2001 Standard Specifications shall be used for all projects scheduled for Final Design Submission after April 1, 2002.**

**Projects Being Developed in Metric Units:**

**The Metric 2001 Standard Specifications shall be used for all projects scheduled for Final Design Submission after April 1, 2002. Current metric projects that have had a Final Design Submission are not required to be updated to the 2001 standards. However, projects scheduled for advertisement after September 1, 2002 must be updated to the 2001 Standard Specifications in metric units.**

The required documents pertaining to these requirements will be released in the early part of 2002.

**Implementation:** In accordance with the above requirements

**Impact Assessment:**

Schedule  Quality  Cost  Scope

**Cost Impact:**

N.A.