ANNOUNCEMENT:  BDC13S-09

DATE:        June 26, 2013

SUBJECT:     Glass Beads
             - Revision to Subparts 912.03.01, 912.03.02 and 912.04.01 of the 2007 Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction.

Subparts 912.03.01, 912.03.02 and 912.04.01 of the 2007 Standard Specifications have been revised to require the Contractors to submit a certification stating that the glass beads are in compliance with the Federal Transportation Act of Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) and with a NJ Law on limiting arsenic levels to 100 ppm in the glass beads.

The following revisions have been incorporated into the Standard Input SI2007 as of June 26, 2013.

SECTION 912 – PAINTS, COATINGS, TRAFFIC STRIPES, AND TRAFFIC MARKINGS

912.03.01 Epoxy Traffic Stripes

B. Glass Beads.
THE FIRST PARAGRAPH IS CHANGED TO:

Submit certifications of compliance as specified in 106.07 for each lot of glass beads used on the Contract. For each lot of glass beads, submit test results indicating the parts per million of lead, antimony and arsenic as determined by testing according to Environmental Protection Agency testing method 3052 and testing method 6010B or 6010C. Ensure that glass beads do not contain more than 200 ppm of lead, 200 ppm of antimony, or 100 ppm of arsenic.

912.03.02 Thermoplastic Traffic Markings
THE ENTIRE SUBPART TEXT IS CHANGED TO:

For long-life traffic markings, use either preformed or hot extruded thermoplastic conforming to AASHTO M 249, except that for preformed thermoplastic, the minimum thickness requirement is 90 mils. Use beads conforming to AASHTO M 247, Type 1, with a moisture resistant coating. Ensure that glass beads do not contain more than 200 ppm of lead, 200 ppm of antimony, or 100 ppm of arsenic.

Submit certifications of compliance, as specified in 106.07, for each batch of materials used on the Contract. For each lot of glass beads, submit test results indicating the parts per million of lead, antimony and arsenic as determined by testing according to Environmental Protection Agency testing method 3052 and testing method 6010B or 6010C.
912.04.01 Latex Paint

THE ENTIRE SUBPART TEXT IS CHANGED TO:

For temporary traffic stripes, use latex traffic paint that is a fast-drying white, or non-lead yellow, ready-mixed pigmented binder emulsified in water and capable of anchoring reflective glass beads that are separately applied. Ensure that the color matches FED-STD-595B color chip No. 33538 for yellow and No. 37886 for white. Ensure that the paint has a maximum no-track time of 120 seconds when applied in a wet film thickness of 15 ± 1 mil, at 140 °F, and with 12 pounds per gallon of glass beads. In addition, ensure that the finished product meets the following:

1. Volume of solids is a minimum 61 percent.
2. Total solids are a minimum of 77.5 percent total non-volatiles by weight, when tested according to ASTM D 2369.
3. Weight per gallon is a minimum 14 ± 0.2 pounds per gallon for each color.
4. Hegman Grind is a minimum of 2 Hegman when tested according to ASTM D 1210.
5. Viscosity is between 70 and 95 Krebs Units at 77 °F, when tested according to ASTM D 562.

Use glass beads conforming to AASHTO M247, Type 1, with a moisture resistance coating. Ensure that glass beads do not contain more than 200 ppm of lead, 200 ppm of antimony, or 100 ppm of arsenic.

Submit a certification of compliance, as specified in 106.07, for latex and glass beads. For each lot of glass beads, submit test results indicating the parts per million of lead, antimony and arsenic as determined by testing according to Environmental Protection Agency testing method 3052 and testing method 6010B or 6010C.

Implementation Code R (ROUTINE)

Changes must be implemented in all applicable Department projects scheduled for Final Design Submission at least one month after the date of the BDC announcement. This will allow designers to make necessary plan, specifications, and estimate/proposal changes without requiring the need for an addenda or postponement of advertisement or receipt of bids.

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