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June 13, 2012
MCA-MDT Technical Committee Meeting Minutes

New Specification Revisions. The CAS Bureau has proposed revisions to 22 Standard Specifications. The proposed revisions will be open for comment during the month of June 2012. Each specification was briefly discussed.

Supplemental Specifications

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| 1. | 101.03 | Definitions |
| 2. | 102.10 | Submission of Bid |
| 3. | 105.03.2 | QA |
| 4. | 105.16.2 | Submission of Claims |
| 5. | 107.13 | Insurance |
| 6. | 107.18 | Underground Utilities |
| 7. | 108.07.6 | Delay Comp |
| 8. | 401 | PMS |
| 9. | 407 | Tack Coat |
| 10. | 411 | Cold Milling |
| 11. | 558.03.4 | Timber Structures |
| 12. | 606 | Guardrail |
| 13. | 701.02.7 | Table 701-11 |
| 14. | 701.03 | Agg for PMS |
| 15. | 703.16 | Utility Poles |
| 16. | 704.01.5 | Treated Sawn Timber |
| 17. | 704.01.6 | Treated Wood Posts |
| 18. | 705.03.1 | Wood Treatment |
| 19. | 706.04 | Treated Timber and Lumber |
| 20. | 706.05 | Treated Piles |
| 21. | 707 | Plastics |
| 22. | 712.02.8 | Wood Fence |

MDT NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Subsection 203.03.2.** This specification was originally out for comment during May. The specification was revised to more clearly define the responsibility of the contractor. This specification will be sent to MCA again, for comment during the month of June

MCA NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Traffic Control Devices.** A Contractor expressed concern of non-uniformity with regard to LEDs within signal ahead signs and flagger ahead signs. They are investing money in new signs and want to make sure they clearly understand the requirements.
- 2. Theft and Vandalism.** MCA mentioned the ongoing issue of thefts of copper wire from Hot Plants and that they are offering a reward for information leading to the conviction of

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individuals responsible. MCA stated contractors can be out of production for two weeks or more and then must purchase \$20,000-\$40,000 worth of wire to put there hot plants back together.

- 3. Special Fuel User's Permit.** MCA expressed concerns over the enforcement of the special fuel user's permit. The MCA has received many questions regarding fuel taxing in general and who on the project requires a permit. Their concerns were noted after a brief discussion and reference to several situations.
- 4. Primavera P6.** MCA expressed concern about requiring P6 after polling their members. MDT mentioned there is a bid item for it and will move forward with requiring its use for CPM schedules.
- 5. DBE Requirements.** MCA mentioned DBE requirements and questioned whether they were still being implemented in upcoming projects. MDT stated they are and Contractors should continue to look for projects with specific DBE requirements.
- 6. Competent Contractors.** A contractor expressed concern over the abilities and competencies of Contractors and the recourse MDT has in the matter. MDT stated that, with very few exceptions, our projects have to be awarded to the low bidder. The final decision about how MDT proceeds is made by the Highway Commission. MCA will likely have an internal discussion and respond to the issue.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday July 18, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. at the MCA Office in Helena.