Subject: S.O.P. STATE AID - MDOT RELATIONSHIP

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1. GENERAL:

Mississippi Department of Transportation Testing Laboratories have no direct responsibility to perform testing for State Aid. They, therefore, serve only as service organizations to State Aid and perform testing functions as requested by the County/LSBP Engineer and as their work load permits.

2. CENTRAL LABORATORY:

MDOT is currently operating under Quality Control - Quality Assurance (QC-QA) procedures for structural concrete and hot plant bituminous pavement mixes. To transfer a previously approved mix design or to request approval of an original mix design, the contractor will submit the request to the County/LSBP Engineer for review and forwarding to the MDOT Central Laboratory. MDOT will evaluate the mix design and advise the County/LSBP Engineer of its recommendation.

Since State Aid has no Departmental Testing Capability it depends on the Central Laboratory for most required vendor testing and certification. This is accomplished by the State Aid Testing Engineer working with the MDOT Materials Engineer and advising the County/LSBP Engineers of the testing requirements. As a result, State Aid follows closely MDOT testing requirements in order that uniform testing requirements and levels of sampling be maintained for all types of construction projects administered by State Aid.

2.1. MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT LABORATORIES:

When their work load permits, MDOT District Laboratories may perform job control testing and sampling on State Aid Construction Projects as directed by the County/LSBP Engineer.

3. SPECIAL WORKING RELATIONSHIPS:

Whenever possible, the MDOT Central Laboratory will perform additional specialized testing functions for State Aid. Some of these functions may be, but are not limited to:

3.1. Certification of Laboratory Technicians for State Aid.

3.2. Certification of acceptability for aggregate supply sources.

3.3. Non-destructive sampling and testing of pavements or structures.

3.4. Foundation investigation for bridge sites.
3.5. Soils investigation on slide areas.

3.6. Ph determination of soils at structure sites.

3.7. Specialized testing on construction materials beyond normal requirements for the material.