

COMBINED STATE BINDER GROUP AGENDA

April 30, 2019

Spring Conference Call

Minutes by Greg Johnson, MnDOT

I. CSBG Member States only discussion (12:30 pm – 1:50 pm)

A. Welcome (*Allen, MnDOT*) @ 12:37

B. *Participants:*

IA: Ken Williams, John Arjes

SD: Rick Rowen

WI: Steve Hefel, Robert Rese

NE: Bob Rea, John Gude

MN: Allen Gallistel, Paul Lohmann, Jason Szondy, John Garrity, Greg Johnson

ND: None

Review of Minutes from Oct. 30, 2018 meeting. (Allen had emailed document previously)

C. Certification Document – questions and edits

a. .

D. Inspections

a. .

E. Round Robin

a. .

F. Items for the Website

a. .

G. Other

a. .

Adjourn: 1:44 pm.

II. Combined State Binder Group (2:00 pm – 3:30 pm) - CSBG Member States and Suppliers

A. Welcome and Introductions 2:05 pm.

- *States:*

- *MN: Allen Gallistel, Jason Szondy, Paul Lohmann, Jon Olson, John Garrity, Greg Johnson*

- *IA: Chris Brakke, Jon Arjes, Ken Williams*

- *NE: Bob Rea, John Gude*

- *ND: None*

- *SD: Rick Rowen*

- *WI: Steve Hefel, Robert Rese, Barry Paye*

- *Suppliers:*

- *BP Products North America, Inc.*

- *CHS*

- *Contanda – Bituminous Roadways*
- *Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend, LLC*
- *Henry G. Meigs, LLC*
- *Jebro, Inc.*
- *Marathon Ashland Petroleum*
- *McAsphalt Ind, Inc.*
- *Phillips 66*
- *Pioneer Oil Co.*
- *Shamrock Industries*
- *Texpar Energy/Midwest Industrial Asphalt*

B. Questions, concerns with CSBG program going forward in 2019 (document)

a. Use of Ash Test vs. Solubility

- *There is a request by a supplier to use a different method for solubility testing.*
- *Requirement in CSBG document is to test according to AASHTO T44.*
- *States will review request and possibly change for this year or next year's requirement (document).*
- *Diane Franseen, HG Meigs: They have used N-PB for several years.*
- *Barry Paye, WIDOT: As chairman of the AASHTO subcommittee overseeing asphalt binders, there might be a changes/review nationally on testing requirements and protocols.*

C. Inspections- Spring inspections will be taking place by the various department representatives

a. Every effort will be made to make it to each location or at a minimum meet with each supplier to discuss their certification and QC program

- *State departments are looking at different means and methods to do the inspection process and documentation.*
- *States will be doing their spring reviews of the QC program at inspection visits*

D. Round Robin

a. If you are interested in providing material for a future round robin please contact Allen Gallistel at MnDOT

b. We have gone to 3 samples / year (spring, summer, fall), with the first one going out April / May

c. If you have results that are outside of the statistical limits you will be contacted for a response to why and what will be done to correct.

- *Thanked suppliers for providing AC for round robin samples.*
- *Talk to Allen Gallistel, MnDOT if a supplier would like to provide AC for samples that will be used for round robin testing. The intention is to send out a wide range of binder types.*
- *The schedule is now to send out samples 3x/year (Spring/Summer/Fall)*
- *The first round of samples for 2019 will go out in a few days.*
- *Contact Allen Gallistel, MnDOT if the point of contact for the samples (who will receive them) needs to be updated.*
- *All results are posted on the CSBG website.*
- *Those results that are outside statistical limits will be contacted to determine reason for result.*
- *Showed the current CSBG website and stated that website will be updated in the near future.*
- *Eva, BP Products North America: What are the requirements for supplying a sample?*
 - *Allen Gallistel, MnDOT stated that the AC must:*

- *Meet a PG grade*
- *Can be M320 or M332*
- *Don, McAsphalt Ind.: Wondered if it was possible to not double up required test samples they need to run, such as AMRL and CSBG samples?*
 - *Allen Gallistel, MnDOT stated that:*
 - *AMRL samples may or may not be a grade of binder typically used in Midwest region so they could be atypical.*
 - *CSBG would like to continue using typical grades encountered in this region.*

E. Other / open discussion

- *Bob Rea, NEDOT: In response to Don's request for less testing samples and/or duplication in efforts, we are reviewing this topic and will continue to do so since there are other agencies (such as Army Corp. of Engineers) that require similar certification and testing that have worked on consolidation efforts / efficiencies.*
- *Adjourn 2:43 pm.*