

Combined State Binder Group Meeting (Suppliers and States)

March 29, 2022

Meeting Minutes

Start Meeting @10:05

Attendees:

Ashley Buss
Carl Johnson
Carlton Travis
Andy Cascione
Nick Collins
Ethina Furness
Doug Pleak
Francisco Rodado
Allen Gallistel
John Garrity
Guy Sisler
Steve Hefel
Jeff Hefel
Sonya Serena
Albert Kilger
Paul Lohmann
Mandy Monjaras
Marla Weigel
John Olson
Pyllis Pedone
John Peterson
Robert Rea
Zhang Runhua
Russell Sean
Tony Wanta
Troy Wille
Benjamin Forrest

Moderator: Allen Gallistel

CSBG will continue to have twice a year meetings. They will be the last Tuesdays of March and October. Allen mentioned that the desire is to get back to in-person meetings since it aids discussion.

Note: The next meeting will be Oct. 25, 2022. (Fall Meeting)

1. Review of the 2022 CSBG Document
 - a. Page 1 lists updates for 2022

- b. Will post meeting minutes on the website
 - c. Method of Acceptance Document and Schedule of Test document locations were noted
 - d. Note when supplying data that the FTP site through WI DOT is not available, therefore use the link list on the CSBG website.
 - e. Updated inspection forms are available
 - i. Supplier will need to update contact information
 - ii. Send/give documents to state representatives
 - f. Supplier list was noted and if any new supplier will be added as needed.
 - g. Round Robin samples will be sent out in April as the 1st sample of the year.
 - h. States will be contacting suppliers to schedule yearly inspections. Make sure QA documents are updated for that meeting.
2. Looking for suppliers to supply the 2nd and 3rd round robin samples for 2022. Contact Allen, MN DOT if able.
3. Questions from Suppliers
- a. PAV DSR requirements have been updated to match the new spec in AASHTO
 - b. Mandy Monjaras – Frequency of testing for flash point? Allen mentioned it will discuss later in the meeting.
4. Schedule of Tests
- a. Solubility (3x/year) currently
 - b. Flash Point & Brookfield (currently 1x/2 weeks), maybe not needed at the current frequency. States are proposing of matching timing of Solubility, Flash Point, Brookfield together and make them sent in 3x/year. The timing of the testing would be:
 - i. 1st sample of year (April)
 - ii. 2nd half of June
 - iii. 2nd half of August
 - c. Marla (Mathy) – If a supplier didn't ship the product during the time frame above, the sample be tested when the supplier is shipping the material? Allen noted that would be fine.
 - d. Mandy - Mass Loss frequency change?
 - i. Allen mentioned the only change to the Mass Loss test would be that the elevation of the lab adjustment in the new AASHTO procedure will be required. Therefore, the lab will need to correct the time and elevation of the lab for the test if the lab is over 1000 feet of elevation.
5. Further Discussion –
- a. Steve H. – CSBG may consider using the AASHTO NTPEP audit program for asphalt binder suppliers in the future. This is a program to review terminal QC procedures and testing facilities. It would replace in state inspections by agencies. The audit program would result in a cost to the supplier.
6. End of Meeting @ 10:29 AM