

Memorandum

*Flex your power!
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To: DISTRICT/REGION DEPUTY FOR CONSTRUCTION Date: February 13, 2003
DISTRICT/REGION CONSTRUCTION SENIOR ENGINEERS
RESIDENT ENGINEERS File: Binder Samples
DISTRICT/REGION MATERIALS ENGINEERS

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Division of Engineering Services-Materials Engineering & Testing Service
Office of Flexible Pavement Materials

Subject: Proper Sample Identification for Binder Testing

This memo is a reminder to all engineers and inspectors of the importance of proper and complete sample identification when binder samples are submitted to Materials Engineering and Testing Services (METS) for testing. METS receives and processes over 3,500 binder samples every year – most between July and November. It is our goal to provide accurate and timely test results.

Testing is conducted based on the information received – as transmitted by the TL-0101 form attached to the sample. Unfortunately, in many cases, we receive less than adequate information. Time spent in tracking down needed information takes our testers away from testing and delays our production – resulting in delays in returning information to the engineer. And, unfortunately, some times samples simply can not be identified and are disposed of without testing.

Complete information on the TL-0101 is very important. Please provide:

- Project Identification - EA and County/Route/PostMile
- Product type and Grade - AR4000, PBA 6a (modified). Emulsion-SS1H, etc.
- Refinery name - Valero, Paramount, etc.
- Engineers Name and Phone Number
- Sample date and location

with every sample. Please use a separate TL-0101 with every sample. Please write clearly. For emulsions, please send undiluted samples.

Thank you. Your compliance with this request will mean METS will be able to concentrate on testing and will be able to provide you with test results in the most efficient manner possible.

SAMPLE OF INFORMATION NEEDED ON YOUR TL-101 TO PROCESS SAMPLE FOR TESTING

ONE FORM PER SAMPLE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA • DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION CARD

TL-0101 (REV. 10/97)

CARD NUMBER

C 653952

EACH SAMPLE MUST HAVE
INDIVIDUAL TL-101

<input type="checkbox"/> PRELIMINARY TESTS <input type="checkbox"/> PROCESS TESTS <input type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTANCE TESTS INDEPENDENT ASSURANCE TESTS <input type="checkbox"/> DIST. LAB <input type="checkbox"/> TRANS. LAB <input type="checkbox"/> SPECIAL TESTS	SAMPLE SENT TO: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HDOTRS. LAB <input type="checkbox"/> BRANCH LAB <input type="checkbox"/> DIST. LAB	FIELD NO. DIST. LAB NO. LOT NO. SHIPMENT NO. P.O. OR REQ. NO. AUTHORIZATION NO.
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SAMPLE OF **PG XX-YY OR PBA-** FOR USE IN _____

NAME OF PRODUCT-USE PROPER GRADE FOR YOUR PROJECT.

SAMPLE FROM _____

DEPTH _____

LOCATION OF SOURCE _____

CITY, STATE- HMA PRODUCER LOCATION

THIS SAMPLE IS SHIPPED IN (NO. CONTAINERS) 1	AND IS ONE OF A GROUP OF 1	SAMPLES REPRESENTING (POND, GALE, BULK, STA, ETC)
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OWNER OR MANUFACTURER _____

- NAME OF REFINERY-
- ALON
 - GRECKA
 - PARAMOUNT- PARAMOUNT
 - PARAMOUNT-ELK GROVE
 - PARAMOUNT-FERNLEY
 - PARAMOUNT-MOJAVE
 - SAN JOAQUIN
 - SHELL
 - VALERO-WILMINGTON
 - VALERO-BENICIA
 - VALERO-PITTSBURG
 - OXNARD
 - EDGINGTON

TOTAL QUANTITY AVAILABLE	TEST RESULTS DESIRED <input type="checkbox"/> NORMAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIORITY	DATE NEEDED
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REMARKS _____

COVER ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WITH LETTER

DATE SAMPLED **MUST HAVE DATE**

BY **ROBERT SAYLOR** TITLE **T.E.T**

DIST. CO. RTE. PM **DIST-CO-RTE-PM**

LIMITS _____

CONT. NO. **DIST AND EA#**

FED. NO. _____

RES. ENGR. OR SUPT. **JIM SMITH**

ADDRESS **R.E. PHONE NUMBER**

CONTRACTOR **ROCK CONSTRUCTION**

MAIL TO SAME DESTINATION AS SAMPLE