TC Officers Present: Peter Kemp, Chairperson (WI DOT)
William Real, Vice-chair (NH DOT)

Liaisons Present: Henry Lacinak, Jarret Nelson (TRI), Sam Allen (TRI)
Keith Platte, Claire Kim

TC Update Issues and concerns

1) Membership Status - light on membership
   a. Move Bill Real to regular member - need new vice chair
   b. Add Celina Sumrall (MS) & John Vance (MS)
   c. Replace Tony Johnson as industry representative with Kurt Kelsey

2) Usage by states - concerns of usage

Report Issues and concerns - everything now up to date

1) Outstanding Report: None, July 2008 (last release)

2) Upcoming report: January (next report)

Testing Issues and concerns

1) Current Cycle

2) Ongoing cycle
   a. Letters to industry sent in July for October submittal by K. Platte
   b. How will people be kept on track?
   c. Next set of letters to be sent out in November
   d. Couple samples from two manufacturers are expected soon
   e. Should industry have the option to have sample taken by state representative or independent sampling agency
which requires letter of certification to be sent to TC chair? Cost will be borne by manufacturer.

f. Germination process was changed without any significant change in data

Work Plan: Issues and concerns

1. Method 2, 3 and 4 should be changed to ASTM Designation D7101-08 Bench testing for erosion control. ASTM Designation D7322-07 Germination Enhancement Test and ASTM Designation D7207-05 Tensile Procedure should also be included. – UPDATE IN WORKPLAN –

2. Hydraulic applied products – need to consider including testing of these products
   a. This will require changing RECP to ECP.
   b. If we use base sand and not engineered soil, will there be a problem for this style of product? Sam says no problem. Some products use loam, everything else is tested with sand
   c. B. Real - Application issues with applying to a small scale sample?
   d. S. Allen - ECTC meeting - hand held apparatus was demonstrated which was used for small jobs. This may be utilized to prepare products which are applied by hydraulic methods.

3. Oven size can be an issue to determine mass per unit area. Moisture is a concern.

4. S. Allen - Is large scale testing possible in the future in addition to bench scale testing? This was discussed in the past. NCHRP study indicates there is not an exact match between small scale and large scale testing. Q-DOR vs. ASTM testing. Large scale testing can amount to $12,000 per product for the two ASTM methods. TRI and Colorado State University are capable of doing large scale testing. Help needed to get samples. Number of samples can be very large. AASHTO staff can help with letters and sampling sent out under chair’s name. Specifics will be worked out later. Time is right now, do not want to wait a year.
a. Add to work plan. Describe the new addition. May be implemented in next year.

3) Withdraws
   1. Default – show withdrawn without reporting results
   2. Withdrawn product – Resubmission - Discuss with Executive Committee for thoughts on overall policy.

General comments

1) Data Mine Issues
   a. Data is in system
      i. B. Real - Can't see data unless logged in. K. Platte - data has not been released to public yet.
   b. When do we want to stop summary sheets? P. Kemp - never
   c. Pete wants all info for each product listed on one page.

2) Testing Fee: none

3) Contracts - focus on 2009 (October will be at old price)
   a. Contract sent to P. Kemp to review
      i. Testing fees were not in contract
         1. Sam - fees will be slightly increased
         2. $60 per hour for sampling and testing
      ii. TRI to place logo on report?
      iii. TRI to upload into DataMine & break out photos (vague in contract)
         1. K. Platte will set up conference call with iEngineering, TRI and AASHTO.
      iv. Section 12 - Needs to require a written request to be submitted to NTPEP for approval for any change in fees.

4) Annual Meeting Time and Slot - avoid Plastic Pipe meeting and pavement markings