RSCP Conference Call Minutes
December 03, 2008 10:00 am

Panel Officials Present:  Ross Mill, Chairperson (KY DOT)
                        Curt Niehaus, vice chair (KA DOT)

Liaisons Present:  Henry Lacinak, Greta Smith, Claire Kim

TC Update Issues and Concerns:

1) Membership as posted on the website appears to be correct
2) Would like to have more volunteers
3) Start to pick up new members

Report Issues and Concerns:

1) Outstanding Report

   a. Reports have been issued for 2006 (1 year data) and
      2005 (2 year data)
   b. The products submitted for 2007 area have had no
      traffic/salting due to road closure. Keith and Ross
      have discussed a possible retest and/or refund of some
      of the manufacturers’ fees. It may also be an option to
      extend this evaluation to a 3rd year.

2) Upcoming Report:

   Ross indicated that Brad Young (Ohio DOT) is working on
   the reports for 2006 (2 year data) and 2007 (1 year data)
   for submission. Ross will ask Brad to copy him on the email
   when the reports are forwarded so that he can track
   timelines for publication.

Testing Issues and Concerns

Ongoing cycle: At the meeting in Madison, Merrill Zwanka
(SCDOT) presented a report that had been prepared by a
University in SC (Clemson?) for discussion that indicated some testing should be revised in the protocol. The group did not have adequate time for review for discussion. There is probably a need to have a follow-up conference call in the spring (prior to the meeting in May) to discuss the report and determine if there is a need to revise the work plan to reflect changes to testing. Ross will send a copy of the report out to the committee for review and we will set a date for a follow up conference call for further discussion.

**Work Plan Issues and Concerns:**

The work plan that is posted was revised during this last year and is current (may determine revisions are needed later - see previous item: testing Issues, Updating ASTM)

**General Comments**

1) DataMine Issues:

A liaison for the Data Mine Task force needs to be appointed for this TC. They have not been given a high priority for inclusion in Data Mine, however the TC feels they are ready to provide the necessary data and input for module development.

2) Testing Fee:

The state testing fees for cementitous products appears to be okay as it currently stands. (Curt KS)

3) Contracts:

1. AASHTO is working to revise and make current contracts for all TCs. There is no electronic (or paper copy that is readily known) version of the contracts for KS and NY.
Curt will see if he can find the most recent version that is available in his office.

2. The contract with Nelson laboratories is very open ended and the cost seems to have made the testing program unattractive to the manufacturers. Greta will speak with Keith regarding possible discussions with Nelson laboratories and the viability of alternatives to the Nelson contract.

4) Annual meeting Time and Slot:

Ross and Curt indicated they would need 1.5 hours for the meeting. Henry is working on a draft agenda and will forward for review when completed.