VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
SPECIAL PROVISION FOR
SEALING CRACKS IN ASPHALT CONCRETE SURFACES OR HYDRAULIC CEMENT CONCRETE PAVEMENT

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I. DESCRIPTION

This Specification covers the cleaning and sealing of cracks with Type A material for pavements which will not be overlaid with asphalt concrete (AC) within one year. Type B material shall be used to fill cracks in AC surfaces or hydraulic cement pavement (HCC) joints or cracks that will be overlaid within one year. Type C material shall be used to fill cracks in AC surfaces that may or may not be overlaid within one year. The Contract will designate which sites are to use each material.

In addition, this Specification covers the routing (Type C only), cleaning and sealing of cracks in existing surfaces including, but not limited to, cracks along the longitudinal joint(s) between lanes. Cracks ranging in width from 1/8 inch to 1 ½ inches shall be sealed. Cracks that exceed 1 ½ inches are not included in this contract.

II. MATERIALS

All sealant materials shall be certified or tested and approved by the Department before being incorporated into the work. Where installation procedures or any part thereof are required to be in accordance with recommendations of the manufacturer of sealant compounds, the Contractor shall submit catalogue data and copies of recommendations to the Engineer prior to installation of the materials for review and approval. All such recommendations shall be adhered to unless directed otherwise by the Engineer.

TYPE A

The crack sealant shall be of the following type and shall meet all the requirements of ASTM D-6690 and exceed all requirements of AASHTO M-173 and Federal Specification SS-S-164:

A HOT-POURED MODIFIED ASPHALT RUBBER WITH GRANULATED CRUMB RUBBER AND LATEX PLASTICIZERS. The proportions of the materials, by weight, shall be up to 80 percent maximum asphalt and up to 25 percent maximum crumb rubber.

The crumb rubber shall be 100 percent vulcanized rubber and meet the following gradation requirement:

Sieve	Percent Passing
No. 10	100%
No. 40	0-40%

TYPE B

Type B material shall consist of PG 64H-22 and polyester fibers from the Materials Division *Manual of Instructions* approved list of Stabilizers for Asphalt Mixtures (fibers only). The Contractor shall provide the PG 64H-22 suppliers data for heating. Fibers shall not exceed 5 percent by weight. Fiber loading will be determined at the project site in order to

minimize/eliminate the need for over banding as described. The fiber loading will be approved by the Engineer.

TYPE C

Type C material shall consist of PG 64H-22 and polyester fibers from the Materials Division Manual of Instructions approved list of Stabilizers for Asphalt Mixtures (fibers only) at 5 percent by weight. The Contractor shall provide the PG 64H-22 suppliers data for heating.

III. EQUIPMENT

Proper sealing equipment must be used for the specific material listed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations for the Sealant specified. The equipment for hot applied sealant compounds shall be a melting kettle of double boiler, indirect heating type, using oil as a heat-transfer medium. The kettle shall have an effective mechanically operated agitator, a re-circulation pump and shall be equipped with a positive thermostatic temperature control which shall be checked for calibration before beginning work. The unit shall be capable of maintaining the specified mixing temperature within 10 degrees F. Manufacturer's recommendations for mixing and application temperatures shall be followed with the latter being measured at the nozzle of the applicator wand. Overheating or direct heating of the sealant material shall not be permitted. The hoses, connectors and applicator wand shall all be insulated.

IV. CONSTRUCTION

The sealant shall not be placed when the ambient or pavement temperatures fall below 45 degrees F, or when moisture is present in the crack to be sealed.

Prior to sealing, cracks shall be thoroughly cleaned as approved by the Engineer using an oil free hot air blasting heat lance capable of a velocity of 3000 fps at 3000 degrees F. Cracks shall be cleaned such that all dirt, debris, moisture and other foreign materials that will prevent bonding of the sealant are removed to a minimum depth of 1 inch. All foreign material (i.e., dirt, grass, rocks) shall be removed from the pavement to prevent re-contamination of the crack. Cracks shall be completely dry before sealing. Any crack not meeting the approval of the Engineer shall be re-cleaned and dried.

The sealant shall be pumped directly into the crack from the heater-melter unit at the temperature specified by the manufacturer **immediately following the cleaning of each crack**. Cracks shall be sealed in the following manner as approved by the Engineer:

TYPE A - Cracks shall be filled from the bottom up in a continuous manner such that the crack is completely filled level with the pavement surface, and the sealant shall overlay the crack at the pavement surface leaving a maximum “over-banded" appearance of 1-inch wide on each side of the crack. The material shall not continue to flow beyond these limits once a crack is sealed. The height of the sealant above the pavement surface shall not exceed 1/8 inch. For this method of sealing, the applicator wand shall be equipped with a shoe that will produce the extruded over-band as well as completely fill the crack.

TYPE B - Cracks shall be filled from the bottom up in a continuous manner such that the crack is completely filled level with the pavement surface. The sealant may overlay the surface on each side of the by no more than ½ inch or leave a no “over-banded" appearance. The material shall not continue to flow beyond these limits once a crack is sealed. The height of the sealant above the pavement surface shall not exceed 1/8 inch. For this method of sealing, the applicator wand shall be equipped with a shoe that will minimize the extruded over-band as well as completely fill the crack.

TYPE C – Prior to sealing, the cracks shall be routed to a minimum depth of 1 inch and to a minimal width of ½ inch. Cracks shall be filled from the bottom up in a continuous manner such that the crack is completely filled level with the pavement surface, and the sealant shall overlay the crack at the pavement surface leaving a no “over-banded" appearance. The material shall not continue to flow beyond these limits once a crack is sealed. The height of the sealant above the pavement surface shall not exceed 1/8 inch.

Prior to the start of each day’s operation, the applicator wand and hose shall be heated per the equipment manufacturer’s recommendations and the material in the heater-melter unit re-circulated.

The applicator wand shall be returned to the mixing unit and the sealant material re-circulated immediately upon completion of each crack sealing.

Any crack in hydraulic cement concrete pavement which cannot be filled due to the sealant draining into a large void, shall be plugged with a suitable material (i.e. backer rod) approved by the Engineer prior to the project, and then filled. After being plugged, recleaning of the crack may be required prior to filling with sealant.

During the heating and application of the crack sealing material, the temperature of the material shall be measured and recorded on two hour intervals by the Contractor. For Type A material, the material shall never be heated over 420 degrees F. For Type B and C material, the material shall not be heated above 375 degrees F. Any material heated above these temperatures shall be discarded (i.e. all material in the heater-melter unit) and not paid for by the Department. Additionally, if the material becomes lumpy or has poor flow at elevated temperature, then the material shall be discarded (i.e. all material in the heater-melter unit) and not paid for by the Department.

Traffic shall be kept off the pavement surface until the crack sealant has cured to the point it will not track or be distorted by traffic. The Contractor shall replace, at his or her expense, any sealant that pulls out within 96 hours after opening the pavement to traffic.

V. METHOD OF MEASUREMENT

METHOD A – CONVERSION APPROACH

Sealant for cracks or joints will be measured by the pound. At the beginning of each workday, the Engineer, or his or her appointed representative, shall measure the amount of material in the heater-melter unit and log all additional material added during the day, and measure the amount of material remaining in the heater-melter to determine the total poundage used for that day. No payment will be made for waste material.

For the purpose of converting the liquid material in the heater-melter unit from gallons to pounds, the Contractor shall use a calibrated measuring rod to determine the actual quantity of material in gallons, and same shall be converted to pounds taking into consideration the temperature of the material at the time of measurement. A chart or other approved conversion method furnished by the sealant material manufacturer/supplier shall be used to perform the conversion from gallons to pounds.

METHOD B – DIRECT MEASUREMENT APPROACH

Sealant for cracks or joints will be measured by the pound. At the beginning of each workday, the Contractor shall provide the Engineer the certified weight of the heater-melter unit. During the day’s operation, the Engineer will log all additional material added to the heater-melter unit. At the end of the day’s operation, the Contractor shall provide the Engineer the certified weight of the heater-melter unit including the unused material in the heater-melter unit. The Engineer will

determine the pounds of material applied for payment purposes. No payment will be made for waste material.

VI. BASIS OF PAYMENT

TYPE A and B

Crack Sealant/Filler will be paid for at the contract unit price per pound, which price shall be full compensation for providing the sealant/filler, complete-in-place, including cleaning and sealing the cracks and for all tools, labor, equipment, materials and incidentals related fully completing the installation.

TYPE C

Crack /Sealant/Filler will be paid for at the contract unit price per pound, which price shall be full compensation for providing the sealant/filler, complete-in-place, including routing, cleaning and sealing the cracks and for all tools, labor, equipment, materials and incidentals related fully completing the installation.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	Pay Unit
Crack Sealant/Filler (Type A)	Pound
Crack Sealant/Filler (Type B)	Pound
Crack Sealant/Filler (Type C)	Pound

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2007 ROAD AND BRIDGE SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS

SUPPLEMENTAL SECTION 200—GENERAL

SECTION 200—GENERAL of the Specifications is amended as follows:

200.06-Technician and Batcher Certification is replaced with the following:

Certification for technicians and batchers will be awarded by the Department upon a candidate's satisfactory completion of an examination.

(a) **Central Mix Aggregate Technician:** A Central Mix Aggregate Technician designs and makes necessary adjustments in job mixtures at the plant based on an analysis of the specified material. The technician also samples materials and conducts any tests necessary to put the plant into operation and produce a mixture in accordance with the applicable Specifications.

(b) **Asphalt Plant Level I Technician:** An Asphalt Plant Level I Technician samples materials.

(c) **Asphalt Plant Level II Technician:** An Asphalt Plant Level II Technician samples material and is capable of conducting any tests necessary to put the plant into operation.

(d) **Concrete Plant Technician:** A Concrete Plant Technician performs necessary adjustments in the proportioning of material used to produce the specified concrete mixtures

(e) **Concrete Batcher:** A Concrete Batcher performs the batching operation. The batcher implements adjustments only at the direction of a certified Concrete Plant Technician unless the batcher's certification authorizes otherwise.

(f) **Asphalt Field Level I Technician:** An Asphalt Field Level I Technician provides quality control of the placement operations of Asphalt Concrete.

(g) **Asphalt Field Level II Technician:** An Asphalt Field Level II Technician inspects asphalt concrete placement in accordance with applicable requirements.

(h) **Concrete Field Technician:** A Concrete Field Technician provides quality control of placement operations for hydraulic cement concrete in accordance with applicable requirements.

(i) **Asphalt Mix Design Technician:** An Asphalt Mix Design Technician is responsible for designing and adjusting mixes as needed, reviewing and approving all test results, having direct communication with the plant for making recommended adjustments and is capable of conducting any tests necessary to put the plant into operation.

(j) **Aggregate Properties Technician:** An Aggregate Properties Technician conducts all aggregate tests on aggregate used in asphalt concrete in accordance with applicable requirements

(k) **Slurry Surfacing Technician:** A Slurry Surfacing Technician inspects the placement of emulsified asphalt slurry seal and latex modified emulsion treatment (Micro-surfacing) in accordance with applicable requirements.

(l) **Surface Treatment Technician:** A Surface Treatment Technician inspects the placement of single seal and modified (blotted) seal coats in accordance with applicable requirements.

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SUPPLEMENTAL SECTION 210—ASPHALT MATERIALS

SECTION 210—ASPHALT MATERIALS of the Specifications is replaced with the following:

210.01—Description

These specifications cover the manufacturing and material requirements for asphalt material consisting of asphalt, asphalt cement, asphalt cutback, or asphalt emulsion as defined in ASTM D8.

210.02—Materials

Asphalt material shall be homogeneous and shall conform to the following:

(a) **Rapid curing and medium curing liquid asphalts used as surface treatments** shall contain a heat-stable additive conforming to the requirements of Section 211 of the Specifications.

(b) **Liquid asphalt material** will be tested for coating ability in accordance with the requirements of AASHTO T182, with the following modifications:

1. Material that can coat 95 percent of a shady dolomite will be classified Type I.

2. Material that can coat 95 percent of a siliceous gravel wetted with 2 percent water by weight will be classified Type II.

(c) **Rapid curing cutback asphalts** shall conform to the requirements of AASHTO M81.

(d) **Medium curing cutback asphalts** shall conform to the requirements of AASHTO M82.

(e) **Cements** shall be viscosity graded and shall conform to the requirements of AASHTO M226, Table 2, except that the loss on heating shall be not greater than 1.0 for AC-5, 0.8 for AC-20, and 0.5 for all other grades.

(f) **Emulsions** shall conform to the requirements of AASHTO M208 and shall be Type I as specified herein except that CRS-2 shall be Type II as specified herein. CRS-1h shall conform to the requirements of AASHTO M208 for CRS-1 except that the penetration shall be 40 to 110. Emulsions will be sampled and tested in accordance with the requirements of AASHTO T59 except that viscosity will be tested in accordance with the requirements of VTM-64.

(g) **Polymer Modified Cationic Emulsified Asphalt** shall conform to the requirements of AASHTO M316.

(h) **Non-tracking tack** will be tested in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 210.07 of the Specifications.

210.03—VDOT Asphalt Acceptance Program (VAAP)

Acceptance into the VAAP

(a) Asphalt materials will be accepted under the VDOT Asphalt Acceptance Program (VAAP). This involves sampling, testing, documentation and certification of the product by the manufacturer in combination with a Department monitoring effort. Performance Graded Binder suppliers shall conform to AASHTO R-26 and Emulsion supplies shall conform to AASHTO PP-71 to be added to the VAAP, with provisions listed below.

(b) To have a new facility added to the VAAP, producers shall:

1. Submit a split sample of each material to be approved to VDOT Central Office Materials Division for testing.

(c) Approved shipping facilities from the VAAP that need to add a material to the approved list shall:

1. Submit a split sample of the material to be approved to VDOT Central Office Materials Division for testing.

210.04—VDOT Asphalt Acceptance Program Requirements and Compliance

The manufacturer shall ensure the following are performed:

(a) Asphaltic materials shall be sampled at a minimum frequency of once a month and when additional materials are added to existing material and tested in accordance with the specified methods in Section 210.07 of the Specifications.

(b) A file or certified test reports representing the asphaltic material shall be maintained by the manufacturer.

(c) A copy of the certified test report shall be provided to the VDOT Central Office Materials Division at Elko within 30 days of sampling. Failure to comply with this requirement can result in removal from the VAAP and the approved materials list.

(d) Manufacturers shall supply to the Central Office Materials Division at Elko a summary sheet of quantities shipped to state work annually in January of the following year. This summary sheet will show the number of gallons of each type/grade of material shipped to Virginia addresses.

(e) The manufacturer shall submit to the Department a detailed plan of action describing the procedures to be taken to ensure tracking of sample test results and the material represented by these results.

210.05—Sampling

(a) Samples shall be taken in the presence of VDOT personnel or a VDOT representative.

(b) Samples taken for testing of asphaltic materials are to be not less than one quart (one liter) of material (0.5 gallons (2 liters) for asphalt emulsions).

(c) Care is to be taken to ensure that the samples are not contaminated and the sample containers are perfectly clean and dry before filling.

(d) Immediately after filling, sample containers are to be tightly closed, and properly marked for identification on the container itself.

210.06—Testing

(a) The Manufacturer shall conduct the standard control tests on asphaltic materials as detailed in Section 210.07 of the Specifications.

(b) Testing for certified test reports shall be performed by the Manufacturer's personnel in the Manufacturer's VDOT approved laboratory or by a VDOT approved commercial testing facility.

(c) The Department shall conduct acceptance testing at a frequency of a minimum of 1 test per month per type/grade of asphaltic material that has been supplied to VDOT projects during the previous month at the VDOT Central Office Materials at Elko. This frequency is to be maintained during the construction season, with a lesser frequency during the remainder of the year.

(d) Laboratories conducting quality control must be certified by VDOT as meeting the requirements of certification:

1. All Binder Laboratories shall hold AASHTO Accreditation and provide VDOT with a copy of accreditation.

2. All Emulsion Laboratories shall be one of the following two levels:

   a. Level I: AASHTO Accreditation

      (1) Provide VDOT with a copy of accreditation.

   b. Level II: AMRL Proficiency Sample Program

      (1) Provide VDOT with copies of last "Round Robin" results, with ratings for each type of asphaltic material tested and copies of the lab's response for each sample.

      (2) Development of a calibration program and personnel record keeping procedure, with results being kept on file at site.

3. All laboratories under the VAAP shall be AASHTO accredited by January 1, 2016.

4. Test Reports

   a. The Manufacturer shall maintain a file of certified test reports for all asphaltic materials ultimately shipped to Contractors that perform work for VDOT.

   b. Test Reports shall indicate that the material shipped meets the requirements for that type/grade of asphaltic material and will show the test results that were obtained to determine compliance with the applicable specifications.

   c. Records shall be kept by the Manufacturer for at least 12 months and shall be available for verification by VDOT personnel.

d. Copies of certified test results shall also be sent to the VDOT Central Office Materials Division at ELKO.

e. Certified Test Reports shall be a company's standard form containing the following information:

(1) Manufacturer's name and address

(2) Type and grade of asphaltic material

(3) Testing performed (AASHTO or Virginia Test Method designation)

(4) Test results and date obtained

(5) Quantity represented

(6) Tank Number

(7) Unique Report Identifier

(8) Statement indicating that the Manufacturer "certified that these are the test results obtained on the material tested under the VAAP program".

210.07—Tests

(a) **PG Asphalt Binders:**

1. Certified Test Reports for **PG Asphalt Binders** shall be based upon the results of tests performed in accordance with AASHTO M332, Table 1. The Manufacturer is not required to perform the Direct Tension Test, AASHTO T314.

2. Certified test results for Superpave PG Asphalt Binders are to be based upon the results of tests performed in accordance with AASHTO R 29, as specified below:

a. Original Material

Flash Point °C	AASHTO T 48
Viscosity @ 135°C/100°C	AASHTO T316
Dynamic Shear, 10 Rad/sec	AASHTO T 315

b. RTFO (AASHTO T 240) Material

Mass Loss %	AASHTO T 240
Dynamic Shear, 10 Rad/sec	AASHTO T 315
Multiple Stress Creep Recovery (MSCR) Test	AASHTO T 350

c. Pressure Aging Vessel, Residue at 100°C (AASHTO R 28)

Dynamic Shear, 10 Rad/sec	AASHTO T 315
Creep Stiffness, 60 sec	AASHTO T 313
M-Slope	AASHTO T 313

3. For asphalt binders tested in accordance with AASHTO T 350, indication of elastic response shall be determined using Figure X1.1 Nonrecoverable Creep Compliance Versus Percent Recovery in AASHTO M 332.

(b) **Cutback Asphalts:**

1. Certified Test Reports for **Cutback Asphalts** shall be based upon the results of tests performed in accordance with AASHTO M81 and M82. The Manufacturer is not required to perform the Flash Point, Ductility, and Solubility tests unless otherwise directed by the Engineer. VDOT shall perform Ductility and Solubility tests on all acceptance samples. Flash Point tests will be performed by VDOT periodically. When performed by VDOT, failure of either sample on Flash Point, Ductility, and Solubility will be considered sufficient reason to require the Manufacturer to perform this testing. If the Manufacturer elects to conduct these tests to better control production, the results shall be included on the certified test report.

2. When used in surface treatments, the Coating Ability test shall be conducted subject to the specifications listed in Section 210.02 of the Specifications.

(c) **Emulsified Asphalts:**

1. Certified Test Reports for **Emulsified Asphalts** shall be based upon the results of tests performed in accordance with AASHTO M208 or AASHTO M316, as specified below:

a. Cationic Emulsions- Table 1, specifically

(1) Tests on Emulsions:
- Saybolt Furol Viscosity
- Sieve Test (if necessary)
- Demulsibility or Classification test
- Particle Charge Test
- Residue by Distillation

(2) Tests on residue from distillation:
- Penetration

b. CSS-1h (Quick Set):

Same tests as Cationic Emulsions, as well as:
- Quick set Emulsified Asphalt Setting Time (VTM-89)

c. Latex Modified Cationic Emulsions (Quick Set)

(1) CQS-1h Latex Modified (CQS-1hLM)

a) Tests on Emulsions
- Saybolt Furol Viscosity
- Sieve Test (if necessary)
- Particle Charge Test
- Residue by Evaporation (VTM-78)

b) Tests on residue
- Penetration

- Ring and Ball Softening Point

(2) CRS-2 Latex

a) Tests on Emulsions
- Saybolt Furol Viscosity
- Sieve Test (if necessary)
- Particle Charge Test
- Residue by Distillation

b) Tests on residue by Distillation
- Penetration
- Ring and Ball Softening Point
- Elastic Recovery

2. The Manufacturer is not required to perform the Flash Point, Ductility, and Solubility tests unless otherwise directed by the Engineer. VDOT shall perform Ductility and Solubility tests on all independent assurance (monitor) and Q.A. samples. Flash Point tests will be performed by VDOT periodically. When performed by VDOT, failure of either sample on Flash Point, Ductility, and Solubility will be considered sufficient reason to require the Manufacturer to perform this testing. If the Manufacturer elects to conduct these tests to better control production, the results shall be included on the certified test report.

(d) **Non-Tracking Tack:**

1. Certified Test Reports for Non-Tracking Tack shall be based upon the results of tests performed, as specified below:

a. Tests on Non-Tracking Tack:
- Saybolt Furol Viscosity
- Residue by Distillation

b. Tests on residue by distillation:
- Ring and Ball Softening Point

210.08—Storing and Shipping

(a) **Shipping:**

1. Shipments of asphalt material shall be made in transporting media that are free from contamination. Tank trucks or trailers shall be equipped with an Engineer approved sampling device. The device shall have an inside diameter of 1/2 to 1 inch and a gate valve or petcock. The device shall be built into the tank or the recirculating or discharge line so that a sample can be drawn during circulation or discharge.

2. All Shipping documents shall contain sufficient information such that at any point, the material may be traceable back to the original test results. If the material is mixed with other approved material for storage, the record system will be such as to assure the traceability of all the material which is being mixed.

3. All shipping documents shall be accompanied by a statement similar to “We certify that all material being shipped on this invoice/bill of lading has been tested and approved under the Virginia Asphalt Acceptance Program and that the

material has been loaded under the supervision of our representative into carriers that are suitable for shipment of this material."

4. All shipping documents shall be kept by the recipient of the material for at least 12 months and are to be available for verification by VDOT personnel l.

5. Only material tested and certified in accordance with the VAAP shall be mixed and shipped to VDOT projects.

(b) **Storing:** Asphalt material shall be placed in storage tanks that are free from contamination.

210.09—Payment Adjustment System

If the asphalt material represented by any one sample does not conform to the requirements herein and the material is a pay item, the Engineer will reduce the contract unit price for the item by 4 percent for each property that does not conform to the Specifications for the quantity represented by the sample that was used on the project. The Engineer will reject any unused material represented by the failing sample.

The Engineer will consider any failed sampled asphalt material that is not a pay item unacceptable and subject to the requirements of Section 105.18 and Section 106.10 of the Specifications.

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
SPECIAL PROVISION FOR
ASPHALT SURFACE TREATMENT

September 13, 2012

I. DESCRIPTION

This work shall consist of the application of a single or multiple course of asphalt surface treatment in accordance with the Specifications and as specified herein.

II. DEFINITION OF TERMS

Seal Treatment is defined as one application of asphalt material and one application of cover aggregate.

Modified Single Seal is defined as two applications of asphalt material, one application of cover aggregate and one application of blot fine aggregate.

Modified Double Seal is defined as three applications of asphalt material, two applications of cover aggregate and one application of blot fine aggregate.

III. MATERIALS

The Contractor shall demonstrate the compatibility of the asphalt emulsion and cover aggregate (excluding the blot seal) prior to construction of the surface treatment. This testing shall be conducted in accordance with VTM-65 in the presence of the Engineer for each asphalt and aggregate combination. In addition, the Contractor shall conduct the compatibility test at least once a week on stockpiled materials and any additional test, as deemed necessary by the Engineer. Compatibility test results shall be submitted to the Engineer. All material combinations shall pass the compatibility test unless waived in writing by the Engineer.

If during the life of this project excessive loss of cover aggregate occurs, the Engineer may suspend the work in accordance with the requirements of Section 108 of the Specifications until the cause of the loss of cover material is corrected.

(a) **Asphalt Materials** shall conform to Section 210 of the Specifications except as specified herein.

CRS-2 shall be a rapid setting cationic emulsified asphalt when tested in accordance with ASHTO T59 Testing Emulsified Asphalt. CRS-2 shall meet the requirements of Type II coating ability.

CRS-2h shall conform to CRS-2 except that the penetration shall be 40 to 100.

RC-250 when permitted during the period of May 1 to October 1 shall meet the requirements of Type I coating ability. When permitted during the period of October 1 to May 1 the requirements of Type II coating ability shall apply.

CRS-2M (Polymer Modified Cationic Emulsified Asphalt) shall meet the physical requirements of asphalt material per AASHTO M316 for CRS-2L or CRS-2P except as

modified herein. The minimum elastic recovery for CRS-2L, as tested in accordance to AASHTO T301, shall be 50 percent.

The Contractor shall provide written certification of the test results.

(b) **Cover Material** — Coarse and Fine aggregate shall conform to Section 203 and 202 of the Specifications. Coarse aggregate shall be a minimum Grade B. Lightweight aggregate shall conform to the requirements of Section 206 of the Specifications except as noted herein. For light weight aggregate when the material passing the No. 200 sieve by washing is dust of fracture, the percentage of deleterious material shall not exceed 1.7 percent. Crushed stone shall only be used on roads of Traffic Groups VI and above unless the surface treatment consists of modified single seal treatment or modified double seal treatment. Aggregates shall not be used within 24 hours of washing. Aggregate from more than one source shall not be furnished for a specified route or a group of sub-division routes unless permitted by the Engineer.

The following modifies the aggregate material as defined in Section 203 of the Specifications:

Designation	Modification
N	Non-polishing material only
L	Lightweight
G	Washed gravel only

Notes: Where 8N is specified, it shall meet the gradation requirements of No. 8P.
Where 8L is specified it shall meet the following gradation:

Sieve Size	Percent Passing
1/2	100
3/8	75-100
No. 4	10-40
No. 8	max. 5

Where 8G is specified, it shall meet the gradation requirements of No. 8P.

IV. PROCEDURES

Weather limitations for asphalt surface treatment work shall be in accordance with the requirements of Section 314 of the Specifications. The Contractor shall have a certified Surface Treatment Technician present during the surface treatment operation.

The Contractor shall use one steel wheel roller and one pneumatic-tire roller on modified single seal, modified double seal and seal treatments using CRS-2L asphalt material in a sequence approved by the Engineer. The Contractor is directed to the exceptions to these requirements found in IV.(c) of this special provision. These treatments shall be subjected to a minimum of one complete pass of each type of roller on either the cover aggregate or the blot seal coat.

(a) **Seal Treatment** shall conform to the requirements of Section 312 of the Specifications. When seal treatment is specified, the Contractor shall protect the cover aggregate from traffic until the asphalt material has sufficiently cured to carry traffic without damage to the treatment.

The rate of application shall be in accordance with VTM-66. The rate of application for the cover aggregate and asphalt emulsion shown in the contract are approximate and the actual rate shall be determined by the Contractor and approved by the Engineer.

After the roadway has been treated and cured, the Contractor shall lightly broom the surface to remove any excessive aggregate in accordance with the requirements of Section 312.04 of the Specifications and as directed by the Engineer. Brooming shall be performed in such a manner as not to damage the embedded aggregate material.

(b) **Modified Single Seal and Modified Double Seal Treatments**, when specified, shall be lightly broomed on the surface by the Contractor to remove any excessive aggregate in accordance with the requirements of Section 312.04 of the Specifications and as directed by the Engineer. Brooming shall be performed in such manner as not to damage the embedded aggregate material.

No traffic, including delivery trucks, shall be allowed on modified seal treatments until after the blot coat material has been placed and rolled.

1. **Modified Single Seal Treatment**

a. Approximately 0.17 gallons per square yard of asphalt material, of the type specified, shall be applied to the existing surface immediately followed by an application of approximately 15 pounds per square yard of aggregate size No. 8P. The aggregate shall be spread uniformly (one aggregate deep) over the treated surface.

The aggregate shall be rolled immediately at least once with a self-propelled roller of an approved design. When a continuous uninterrupted modified single seal treatment train method is employed, rolling of the initial aggregate course may be omitted.

b. Immediately after the seal coat has been rolled in accordance with IV.(b)1.a., herein a blot seal coat consisting of approximately 0.15 gallons per square yard of asphalt material, of the type specified, shall be applied to the surface treated pavement followed by a uniform application of approximately 10 pounds per square yard of fine aggregate. The fine aggregate shall be Grading A, B or F natural or manufactured in accordance with Section 202 or No. 9 aggregate in accordance with Section 203 of the Specifications, except that the material shall have no more than 5 percent passing the No. 200 sieve by washed analysis. The Contractor is directed to the exceptions to these requirements found in IV.(c) of this special provision. An increase in the application rate for blotter material may be necessary when using natural sand and if the desired results are not achieved with this material, the Engineer may require the use of manufactured sand. Fine aggregate from more then one source shall not be used intermittently. The fine aggregate shall be applied by the use of a self-propelled aggregate spreader of approved design. The blot coat shall be rolled immediately at least once with a self-propelled roller of an approved design. At least 48 hours after the blot coat application, the roadway surface shall be lightly broomed as directed by the Engineer.

2. **Modified Double Seal Treatment**

a. Two applications of asphalt material and cover aggregate shall be applied in accordance with Section IV.(b)1.a. herein, except that at least

one complete pass shall be made with the roller after each aggregate application.

b. A blot coat shall be applied in accordance with IV.(b)1.b. herein.

The application temperature for liquid asphalt material shall conform to Table III-1 of Section 310 of the Specifications, except that the minimum application temperature for CRS-2 and CRS-2L shall be 160 degrees F.

(c) **District-Specific Exceptions for Modified Single Seal and Modified Double Seal Treatments and Seal Treatment**

Bristol District — The blot coat for use in modified single seal and modified double seal shall be No. 9 aggregate conforming to Section 203 of the Specifications and applied at a rate of 12 pounds per square yard in lieu of sand. Two pneumatic-tire rollers shall be used on modified single seal, modified double seal and seal treatments using CRS-2L asphalt material.

Lynchburg, Salem, and Staunton Districts — The blot coat for use in modified single seal and modified double seal shall be No. 9 aggregate conforming to Section 203 of the Specifications and applied at a rate of 12 pounds per square yard in lieu of sand.

Hampton Roads District — The blot coat for use in modified single seal and modified double seal shall be manufactured sand only conforming to Section 202 of the Specifications.

Fredericksburg District (only Caroline, Spotsylvania, and Stafford Counties) — The blot coat for use in modified single seal and modified double seal shall be manufactured stone sand conforming to Section 202 of the Specifications.

(d) **Prime Coat**, when specified, shall be applied in accordance with Section 311 of the Specifications. When cover material is specified, rolling shall be performed in accordance with the requirements of Section 312 of the Specifications.

The prime coat shall be permitted to cure prior to the next application of asphalt.

During the period between application of the prime coat and the seal coat, the primed surface shall be kept in repair. Holes, ravels, and areas deficient in primer shall be patched and repaired with asphalt-treated materials by penetration methods or other approved procedures.

(e) **Maintenance, Protection and Performance of the Work** — The Contractor shall be responsible for the maintenance and protection of the seal treatment on the roadway for a period of 48 hours after application.

The Contractor shall exercise control of the delivery and application of the surface treatment materials to prevent damage to the roadway surface. The speed of the delivery equipment and pilot truck shall be limited to a maximum 15 miles per hour. The maintenance and protection shall include, but not be limited to, the placement of signs; the use of flaggers and pilot trucks; and placement of additional asphalt and aggregate material. In the event a failure occurs prior to acceptance, the Contractor shall repair or replace the failed treatment as directed by the Engineer, at no additional cost to the Department.

V. EQUIPMENT

(a) **Asphalt Distributors and Aggregate Spreaders**

1. Distributors and spreaders shall be calibrated by the Contractor in the presence of the Engineer prior to placing surface treatment; to ensure an even and accurate spray, and aggregate distribution.

2. Asphalt distributors shall be equipped with proper spray nozzles including end nozzles for the application rate specified, to provide uniform coverage throughout the width of the application.

(b) **Rollers**

1. One steel wheel roller and one pneumatic-tire roller shall be used on modified single seal, modified double seal and seal treatment using CRS-2L asphalt material. The Contractor is directed to the exceptions to these requirements found in IV.(c) of this special provision. The steel wheel roller weight shall be between 6 and 8 tons for the tandem type and between 8 and 10 tons for the three-wheel type.

2. Two pneumatic-tire rollers shall be used on the conventional type seal treatment.

VI. MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

Liquid asphalt material for seal treatment will be measured and paid for in accordance with Section 312 of the Specifications.

Aggregate for seal treatment will be measured and paid for in square yards on a plan quantity basis, which price bid shall include furnishing and applying aggregate, protection of the asphalt surface treatment and all incidentals necessary to complete the work. Authorized increases or decreases to the plan quantity will be adjusted in accordance with Section 109 of the Specifications.

Modified single seal and **modified double seal** treatments will be measured and paid for in square yard on a plan quantity basis, which price bid shall include all cost for furnishing and applying liquid asphalt material and cover aggregate, protection of the asphalt surface treatment and all incidentals necessary to complete the work. Authorized increases and decreases to the plan quantities will be adjusted in accordance with Section 109 of the Specifications.

Brooming shall be included in the price bid for other appropriate items.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	Pay Unit
Aggregate (type)	Square Yard
Modified Single Seal	Square Yard
Modified Double Seal	Square Yard

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
SPECIAL PROVISION FOR
BLOTTED SEAL COATS

August 22, 2008c

I. DESCRIPTION

This work shall consist of application of asphalt surface treatment in accordance with this provision and in conformity with the line and grades indicated in the contract documents or designated by the Engineer.

Type B Blotted Seal is defined as two applications of liquid asphalt material, one application of cover aggregate and one application of blot fine aggregate.

Type C Blotted Seal is defined as three applications of asphalt material, two applications of cover aggregate and one application of blot fine aggregate.

Type D Blotted Seal is defined as four applications of asphalt material, three applications of cover aggregate and one application of blot fine aggregate.

II. MATERIALS

Liquid asphalt materials shall conform to Section 210 of the Specifications.

Cover aggregate shall conform to Section 203 of the Specifications.

Fine aggregate for blotting shall conform to Section 202 minimum Grading B of the Specifications except that material shall have no more than 5 percent passing the 200 sieve by washing.

III. APPLICATION

Application rates for asphalt and aggregate material shall be as indicated in the contract documents. These rates of application are approximate only and such rates may be altered at the direction of the Engineer. During application, liquid asphalt material shall be maintained between 160 to 175 degrees F. Cover material shall be applied to a complete coverage of only one aggregate depth over the treated surface.

IV. PROCEDURES

Procedures shall be in accordance with the Asphalt Surface Treatment special provision and the following provisions:

Each coat of **liquid asphal**t material shall be applied to existing surface and immediately followed by an application of aggregate.

Aggregate shall be rolled one pass immediately with a self-propelled steel wheel roller. The roller weight shall be between 6 and 8 tons for tandem type and between 8 and 10 tons for the three wheel type.

Blot coat shall be applied with a self-propelled aggregate spreader of approved design and shall be rolled one pass immediately with a self-propelled roller.

V. MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

Blotted seal coat will be measured and paid for in square yards for type specified complete-in-place, which price shall be full compensation for furnishing and applying liquid asphalt material, cover material and blot fine aggregate, protection of treatment, rolling, brooming and for all labor, tools, equipment and incidentals necessary to complete the work.

Payment will be made under:

Pay Item	Pay Unit
Blotted Seal Coat (Type)	Square Yard

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
SPECIAL PROVISION FOR
MACRO-TEXTURE SURFACE TREATMENT

November 6, 2009

I. DESCRIPTION

This work shall consist of the production and placement of a polymer modified macro-texture surface treatment in accordance with the Contract, as specified herein, and as directed by the Engineer.

II. MATERIALS

A. **Asphalt:** The asphalt emulsion shall be polymer modified conforming to the requirements of Section 210 of the Specifications except as noted herein:

Tests	Method	Minimum	Maximum
Sieve Test, 20 mesh, percent	AASHTO T 59		0.5
Storage Stability Test, 24 hour, percent	AASHTO T 59		1.0
Viscosity, Sayboult Furol @ 122^{0}F, sec.	AASHTO T 59	50	600
Particle Charge	AASHTO T 59	Positive	
Classification Test	AASHTO T 59	Pass	
Distillation:			
Oil distillate by volume of emulsion, percent	AASHTO T 55		2
Residue from distillation, percent	Note 1	65	
Tests on Residue from Distillation:			
Penetration, 77^{0}F, 100g., 5 sec.	AASHTO T 59	60	140
Ductility, 39.2^{0}F, 5cm/min., cm	AASHTO T 51	30	
Softening Point, Ring & Ball, degrees F	AASHTO T 53	38	
Elastic Recovery, 50^{0}F	Note 2	60	
Note 1: AASHTO T 59 modified to maintain a 350^{0}F maximum temperature for 15 minutes.			

Note 2: AASHTO T 301 Elastic Recovery Test: Condition the ductilometer and samples to be treated at 50^0F. Prepare the brass plate, mold and briquette specimen in accordance with AASHTO T 51. The molds shall be the non-tapered type used for Force Ductility Testing. Keep the specimen at the specified test temperature for 85-90 minutes. Immediately after conditioning, place the specimen in the ductilometer and proceed to elongate the sample to 20 cm at a rate of pull of 5cm/min. After the 20 cm elongation has been reached, stop the ductilometer and hold the sample in it's elongated position for five minutes. After five minutes, clip the sample approximately in half by means of scissors or other suitable cutting device. Let the sample remain in the ductilometer in an undisturbed condition for one hour. At the end of this time period, retract the half sample specimen until the two broken ends touch. At this point note the elongation (E) in cm. Calculate the percent recovery by the following formula:

$$\% \text{ Recovery} = \frac{20 - E}{20} \times 100$$

Modifiers shall not be post-added to the finished emulsion. All modifiers shall be incorporated into the base asphalt prior to the emulsification process at the manufacturing facility. The emulsion, upon standing undisturbed for a period of 24 hours shall show no milky white colored substance on its surface. It shall have a homogeneous brown color throughout. The emulsion used for the sweep test shall be the same as that used on the jobsite.

B. **Aggregate:** Aggregate shall conform to the requirements of Section 203 of the Specifications except as noted herein.

1. All aggregate shall be crushed.

2. Moisture shall be maintained so that the surface is visibly moist by using methods as needed. The aggregate shall not be excessively moistened. If water is free draining from aggregate haul trucks, moisture will be considered excessive.

3. Fractured Faces – (ASTM D 5821)

One Fractured Face	98% minimum
Two or more Fractured Faces	95% minimum

4. Flakiness Index – (FLH T 508) 17% maximum
Federal Land Highways (FLH) Test Method T 508

5. Grading – (AASHTO T 27)

Sieve Size	Percent Passing
1/2 inch	100
3/8 inch	90-100
No. 4	12 max.
No. 200	1.0 max.

C. **Macro-Texture Surfacing Design.** At least 3 weeks before beginning this work, the Contractor shall submit a macro-surfacing wearing course design to the Engineer for review. The Contractor shall indicate on the design all material sources, emulsion and aggregate application rates, and certify that the emulsion and aggregate, when tested in accordance with the Macro-Surfacing Sweep Test available from the Central Office

Materials Division, Pavement Design and Evaluation Section, results in a maximum aggregate mass loss equal to or less than 15 percent.

III. PROCEDURES

A. **Weather Limitations** shall conform to Section 314.03 of the Specifications.

B. **Surface Preparation:** Immediately prior to application of the macro-surfacing wearing course, clean the surface of vegetation, loose materials, dirt, mud, and other objectionable items. When sealing open cracks any over-banding of crack sealant shall not be left on either side of the crack. Thermoplastic and tape pavement markings shall be removed prior to placement. Protect existing raised/recessed pavement markers by methods acceptable to the Engineer.

C. **Macro-Texture Application:** Emulsion and aggregate shall be uniformly applied in a continuous variable width. Emulsion shall be applied with a self-propelled, front feed, continuous-loading vehicle. Emulsion shall be applied so that no more than 48 inches of emulsion is exposed without aggregate cover. The Contractor shall apply both the emulsion and aggregates in a single pass within ± 10 percent of the design application rates. Damp or moist aggregates may be used if no free water is evident in the support vehicles.

The emulsion shall be maintained at a minimum temperature of 140 degrees F in the transport vehicles. No emulsion shall be stored in the application or support units overnight. Material not used within 48 hours of initial delivery to the job site shall be returned to the production facility at no additional cost to the Department.

Transfer of emulsion and aggregates shall be done without spillage. Immediately stop application of the macro-texture if spillage occurs and remove the loose aggregate and/or emulsion.

The Contractor shall daily provide the Engineer with the gallons of emulsion applied and tons of aggregate and the area covered at the end of each day's work.

For inaccessible areas, portable pressurized units shall be used to spray the emulsion uniformly over the surface. Gage quantity of material placed at one time, according to facilities for handling, spreading, and rolling coarse aggregate, as well as the temperature of the surface and the bituminous material. Insure uniformity at the junction of the two applications both transversely and longitudinally.

Within 2 minutes of application, roll the entire surface of the macro-texture wearing course with a minimum of one pass of a roller. Use a sufficient number of rollers to keep pace with the continuous application operation. Complete additional passes of the roller, as needed, within 10 minutes of application.

Complete all rolling before sweeping. Use a sufficient number of sweepers to keep pace with the continuous application operation. When the surface temperature is less than 125 degrees F and the relative humidity no more than 75 percent, sweep the entire surface of the macro-texture to remove excess aggregate, without damage, within 1 hour after application. When the surface temperature is greater than 125 degrees F and the relative humidity is greater than 75 percent, sweep the macro-texture to remove excess aggregate when recommended by the bituminous material producer. Sweep the entire surface of the macro-texture a minimum of three times.

IV. PROTECTION OF SURFACE

Traffic will not be allowed on the newly completed surface until adequate stability and adhesion has been attained and the material is sufficiently cured to prevent distortion, flushing of bituminous material to the surface, or loss of aggregate. Do not allow vehicular traffic on the newly completed surface until excess aggregate is removed.

V. EQUIPMENT

A. Asphalt Distributor: Shall be calibrated by the Contractor in the presence of the Engineer prior to placement to ensure an even and accurate spray. Calibration will be considered acceptable when the spray rate is within 0.02 gallon per square yard of the design application rate.

The asphalt distributor shall have an insulated tank with access for cleaning, a functional volume measuring device or calibrated tank, and a thermometer for measuring emulsion temperature in the tank. It shall have dual, full circulation spray bars that are adjustable laterally and vertically and spray nozzles, including end nozzles that have individual control valves for adjustment. The asphalt distributor shall be capable of synchronizing the emulsion spray bar width to the aggregate spreader width to prevent exposed emulsion.

B. Aggregate Distributor: Shall be calibrated by the Contractor in the presence of the Engineer prior to placement to ensure an even and accurate distribution of material. Calibration will be considered acceptable when the application rate is within 1.0 pound per square yard of the design application rate.

The aggregate distributor shall have an integrated, aggregate hopper and variable width spreader, including power-driven augers and spread rolls to uniformly deliver the aggregate to the spreader gate openings. It shall also have a continuous conveyor to feed the hopper, and full-width screen to reject oversize aggregate and foreign objects from entering the hopper.

C. Rollers: The Contractor shall use either a steel wheel or pneumatic-tire roller or combination of rollers to seat the aggregate. The pneumatic-tire roller shall have a minimum contact pressure of 80 pounds per square inch and maximum speed of 5 miles per hour. The steel wheel roller weight shall be between 6 and 8 tons for the tandem type.

D. Sweeper: Shall be vehicle mounted with variable speed, angle, and contact pressure. Sweepers shall have rotary brooms with bristles of not less than 5 inches in length. Other types of sweeping devices may be used if acceptable to the Engineer. No sweeping vehicles equipped with tractor tires shall be used.

E. Support Vehicles: Use support vehicles as necessary to continuously load emulsion and aggregates to allow for a continuous, non-stop operation.

F. Flagger Service and Pilot Vehicles: When needed, the Contractor shall provide in accordance with Section 512 of the Specifications.

VI. TEST SECTION

At the start of this work, unless waived by the Engineer, the Contractor shall construct at least a 400-foot test section at no cost to the Department. Construct the test section at a location designated by the Engineer. Construct the test section using the same equipment, and the same material sources and application rates indicated on the design and that will be used on the project. During construction of the test section, demonstrate that the macro-texture wearing course is capable of final sweeping, without damage, within one hour after application. If the demonstration is unsuccessful, corrective actions shall be taken until results are acceptable to the

Engineer. Additional test section(s) shall be placed at no cost to the Department until the demonstration is satisfactory to the Engineer.

VII. DEFECTIVE WORK

Where the Engineer deems work defective, the Contractor shall remove and replace, apply additional applications of macro-texture, or repair such areas using methods acceptable to the Engineer at no cost to the Department.

VIII. MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

Macro-texture surface treatment will be measured and paid for at the contract unit price per square yard on a plan quantity basis, complete-in-place, which price bid shall include furnishing and applying aggregate and modified polymer asphalt emulsion, protection of the macro-texture surface treatment and all incidentals necessary to complete the work.

Sweeping shall be included in the price bid for other appropriate items.

Pay Item	Pay Unit
Macro-Texture Surface Treatment	Square Yard