
Special Provision to Item 8

Prosecution and Progress



Item 8, "Prosecution and Progress," of the Standard Specifications, is amended with respect to the clauses cited below. No other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed.

Article 8.6., "Failure to Complete Work on Time," is supplemented by the following:

8.6.1. Lane Closure Assessment Fees.

Monetary assessment, as shown on the plans, will be made against the Contractor for any lane closure or obstruction that overlaps into the peak hour traffic for each time increment defined on the plans or portion thereof, per lane, regardless of the length of lane closure or obstruction.

8.6.1.1. Definition of Terms. For this Contract, the following definitions apply:

8.6.1.1.1. Time increment. Any continuous defined increment of time period or portion thereof for a period beginning at that point when lanes are closed or obstructed by the Contractor's operations.

8.6.1.1.2. Assessment Fee. The amount shown on the proposal for each defined time increment, representing the average cost of interference and inconvenience to the road user for each lane closed or obstructed during peak hour traffic. The Engineer may allow a proportional fee assessment for closures that do not involve an entire defined time increment.

8.6.1.1.3. Closure or Obstruction. When the Contractor's operations result in a reduced lane width of the travel way or shoulder less than that specified on the plan documents.

8.6.1.1.4. Peak Hour Traffic Times. Schedule of days and times described in the General Notes, when lane closures or obstructions are not allowed.

8.6.1.2. Fee Calculation and Collection. The assessment fee will be deducted from the amount due to the Contractor on the monthly construction estimate, and thus retained by the Department. The Engineer will determine the time of overlap of lane closures or obstructions for calculating the assessment fee. The assessment fee is based on road user costs and is assessed not as a penalty, but for added expense incurred by the traveling public.