

Paver-Mounted Thermal Profiles NJSP-18-09

1.0 Description This work shall consist of collecting the paving location, surface temperature and paver stops with a Contractor supplied, Contractor retained Paver-Mounted Thermal Profile System (PMTPS) for each lift of mainline asphalt pavement. The PMTPS shall be used to continually monitor the surface temperature of the mat immediately behind the paver screed during paving operations in order to determine the thermal segregation levels for each subplot. Data from the PMTPS shall be automatically uploaded and processed through a wireless data connection or exported to an USB drive. This work shall be completed in accordance with the general principles set forth in AASHTO PP 80-17 “Standard Practice for Continuous Thermal Profile of Asphalt Mixture Construction”, and specifically as stated in the following sections.

2.0 PMTPS Equipment The PMTPS shall consist of a temperature scanner/camera, wheel speed/distance sensor, GPS antenna, control panel and necessary cabling. The PMTPS shall measure the surface temperature over the complete paving width. The current position shall be recorded via the GPS antenna. The control panel shall feature the keys and screen displays necessary to control the system as well as the software for data recording and visualization during the paving process. The system shall provide a real-time map of the temperature readings, as well as the total number of sublots in each temperature segregation category. The system shall store the data locally on a memory stick and also upload the data directly to cloud-based software which shall be supplied by the contractor for use on this project. Logon information shall be provided to the engineer for direct access to the cloud storage. In addition the equipment shall meet the following requirements;

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Requirement</u>
Longitudinal and Lateral Surface	≤ 12.0 inch intervals at all paving speeds
Temperature Readings Footprints	Tolerance: ±1 inch
Surface Temperature Readings	Range: 32°F to 480°F Accuracy: ± 6° F
Location (x and y)	Accuracy: ± 4 feet
Ground Distance Sensor	Accuracy: ± 1/1000 feet

3.0 Verification. The system shall have a documented verification before beginning construction and a minimum of once per week for Travel Distance and Temperature.

4.0 PMTPS Training. The PMTPS Technician and individuals performing daily setup of the equipment shall be properly trained. If trained personnel are unavailable PMTPS scanning and mainline paving shall not be performed. The PMTPS Technician shall have completed a qualifying Veta training within the last 2 years.

5.0 Thermal Profile Sublots For each run, the thermal profiles shall be divided into sublots that are 150 ft. in length and of the width placed. Sublots shall not extend over multiple days, different lifts or directions.

6.0 Thermal Segregation Exclude the following surface temperature readings from each subplot: (1) Surface temperature readings less than 180°F; and (2) Surface temperature readings within 2 ft. prior to and 8 ft. after paver stops that are greater than 1 minute in length. The temperature differential is the difference between the surface temperature readings at the 98.5 and 1 percentile in each 150 ft. subplot. The thermal segregation categories are based on the temperature differential as shown in the table below.

Temperature Differential (TD)	Thermal Segregation Category
TD ≤25.0 F	Low
25.0 F < TD ≤ 50.0 F	Moderate
TD > 50.0 F	Severe

7.0 Data Management. All of the header inputs shall be correctly entered by the contractor at the start of each run. The Veta Thermal Segregation Report shall be generated and electronically submitted to the engineer for each day before the start of the next day's production, along with the Veta file. Each file shall be labeled with the corresponding production date, direction, starting and ending log mile, and lane according to the MoDOT IC-PMTPS Protocol. The contractor shall deliver to the engineer a summary of the daily Thermal Segregation Reports two days prior to the 1st and 15th of each month for verification.

8.0 Incentive/Disincentive. Incentive/disincentive adjustments shall be made for each subplot in accordance with the following:

Thermal Segregation Category	Adjustment per 150 ft. Sublot
Low	\$7 Incentive
Moderate	No Pay Adjustment
Severe	\$7 Disincentive

9.0 Quality Assurance (QA) Testing. The Engineer will record spot temperature readings with a calibrated infrared thermometer. 2 QA test sets each consisting of 3 spot readings at the lane quarter points will be taken for each full production day. The test sets will be taken at random locations. The contractor shall assist the engineer with determining the GPS location of each spot reading location. The recorded temperature shall be within 12°F of the temperature recorded by the thermal scanner for each location. If 4 readings from any 2 consecutive test sets fall outside of the 12°F range, then conflict resolution shall be initiated to determine corrective action.

10.0 Basis of Payment. Payment for compliance with this provision will be made at the Lump Sum Price for Item 401-99.01, Infrared Scanning. No additional compensation will be provided to the contractor for any direct or indirect cost, including scheduling delays, associated with the installation of the noted equipment, training or the affiliated data processing.