ATTENTION: TP&D, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC OPERATIONS ENGINEERS

SPECIAL PROVISION AND/OR SPECIFICATION CHANGE MEMORANDUM 05-20

MEMO

Date: January 23, 2020

To: District Engineers

From: Jere A. Williams, P.E.  
Director, Materials and Tests Division

Subject: Statewide Special Provision 004-004 (14), “Scope of Work (Materials Contract Only)”

The above-referenced special provision has been approved for statewide use and is optional for maintenance projects beginning with the March 2020 State letting and February 2020 Local letting.

With the passing of Senate Bill 1092 during the 86th legislative session, roadway and safety/traffic control material purchasing is transitioning from the Comptroller’s Office “Smart-Buy” system to the highway improvement low bid contract letting and award process described in Transportation Code, Chapter 223.001. To facilitate this transition, the Maintenance/Traffic Materials Contract (Materials Contract) was developed. These contracts are awarded by either the Transportation Commission (State let) or District Engineer (Local let).

This special provision allows Materials Contracts, designated as either a Materials Maintenance Contract (MMC) or Traffic Maintenance Contract (TMC) in CMCS, to be extended twice via a change order. The extension may be for a period of time not to exceed the original Materials Contract time and may include additional quantities up to the original bid quantities plus any quantities added by previous change orders. With the change order extension, the unit prices can also be adjusted to reflect the current Federal Consumer Price Index for the Southern Region. This special provision will be only available for Materials Contracts.

Please disseminate this information to your Transportation Planning & Development, Design, Construction, Laboratory, Maintenance, and Traffic Operations Engineers.

CC: TxDOT Specification Committee  
Federal Highway Administration  
The Associated General Contractors of Texas