



South Carolina  
Department of Transportation

March 24, 2015

Mr. Steve Ikerd  
FHWA – Director of Engineering and Operations  
1835 Assembly Street, Suite 1270  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201


**RE: Termination of Contract - SC File 4283420**

Dear Mr. Ikerd:

The original scope for the I-85 Rehab project in Spartanburg County from MM 58-68 was to mill up to five inches of the old surface and OGFC. This would allow for cross slope correction to be performed with a combination of milling and asphalt buildup. We would then place 200 lbs/sy of intermediate, 200 lbs/sy surface and 110 lbs/sy OGFC.

After milling the top two inches of asphalt, the entire road started to deteriorate and fall apart after a couple of days of traffic riding on the milled surface. It was then decided to mill an additional 1 to 2 inches to get to a more stable asphalt surface. This was unsuccessful. The existing asphalt pavement is too deteriorated to handle the traffic and loads. As a safety measure, 200 lbs/sy intermediate course was placed on all milled sections and no additional milling was performed.

At this time, it was determined that the interstate could not be constructed using the original scope of work and that leaving a milled surface for traffic to drive on was not a viable option. Therefore, no cross slope correction could be performed by milling and would need to be entirely constructed with buildup. This approach may have impacts and conflicts with wall height and drainage due to existing cross slopes. It has been determined that due to this change in scope, it is in the State/Public's best interest to cancel the existing contract with Rogers Group, Inc., re-evaluate the scope and construction sequence and re-let the project. The magnitude of the scope change lends itself to being let competitively with new quantities and scope of work. At this time all material that has been placed and paid on this project will be able to be incorporated into the newly let project.

APPROVED: <u>3/25/15</u>
Division Administrator
By: 
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION





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FHWA concurrence in this matter is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Steagall", written in a cursive style.

Todd Steagall  
Director of Construction

RTS:tj

cc: Christy A. Hall, Deputy Secretary for Engineering  
Leland Colvin, Chief Engineer for Operations  
Steve Gwinn, District Engineering Administrator  
Stephanie Jackson-Amell, District Construction Engineer  
Patrick McKenzie, Resident Construction Engineer

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