UPDATE AASHTO Technical Section 2b

Subcommittee Ballot

- Double Edge Notched Tension Test
- R 29
 - Eliminate flash point and rotational viscosity testing as part of determining the PG grade.
 - Passed and will be published.
- Precision and Bias Updated
 - T 49, "Penetration of Bituminous Materials"
 - T 201, "Kinematic Viscosity of Asphalts"
 - T 202, "Viscosity of Asphalts by Vacuum Capillary Viscometer"

Technical Section Reconfirmation

T 48

- AMRL is working on a rewrite.
- The ASTM Standard D92 is not asphalt specific. AMRL is planning to work with ASTM to rewrite.
- Draft is planned by August meeting.
- T111 & TP 101
 - No comments Reconfirmed.
- TP 102
 - Received a negative vote the standard does not match the work plan developed by NTPEP.
 - Task Force Established

Technical Section Reconfirmation

- M 320
 - Don't have the Results from this TS ballot.

Task Forces

GTR

- Disbanded until ETG makes further recommendations concerning testing & specifications.
- Single Edge Notched Bending Test
 - Travis Wallbeck (WV) Chair
 - Nothing to report at this time. Will have a report in August.
- Binder Yield Energy & Elastic Recovery Test

Presentations & Updates

- REOB Task Force Bill Ahearn
- EBBR (Extended Bending Beam Rheometer)
 - Pamela Marks
 - Task Force established for the development of this test method.
- PAV Temperature Changes for M 320 Matt Corrigan
- Binder ETG Update Matt Corrigan

Open Discussion

- RNS for "An Investigation of Aging Techniques"
 - Darren Hazlett and Chris Abadie

Binder Yield Energy & Elastic Recovery Test Task Force

- Survey to Subcommittee
 - I Question only 2 choices with comments
 - Are You:
 - A. Still interested in this method and would like to see it granted provisional status in order to have an established AASHTO method to base testing on, or
 - B. Not interested in this method because you feel it is unneeded due to the industry moving to MSCR or some other reason?

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- Response to Survey
 - 28 states and one Canadian Province
 - A 17 responses
 - B 11 responses
 - 8 Indicated via comments that they were not opposed to the method being given provisional status.
 - Conclusion 25 states are either directly or are not opposed to this method gaining provisional status.
- Recommended method to be sent to ballot for provisional status.