



# **Executive Committee Conference Call** (2/17/04)

*Jim Grove, Center for PCC Pavement Technology*

## **TPF-5(066) Material and Construction Optimization for Prevention of Premature Pavement Distress in PCC Pavements**

Purpose of Project: To develop optimal mix design and test methods for monitoring Key performance parameters and conduct demonstration tests in participating states.  
<http://www.ctre.iastate.edu/pccpoolfund/>

### **Present:**

Tom Cackler  
Dan DeGraaf  
Jim Grove  
Todd Hanson  
Doug Schwartz  
Marcia Simons  
John Volker  
George Woolstrum

### **Absent:**

Max Grogg  
Sandra Larson  
Jerry Voigt

All calls will use the same call in number and access code:

Call in number: 866-809-4014 Access Code: 294.8100

**Next call date: May 12, 2004 at 8:30 AM.**

Note: March - no conference call, April - TAC meeting

### **State Visits:**

Jim Grove reported on successful visits to Texas and Louisiana; Georgia and North Carolina are scheduled for March with Indiana and Ohio planned for later in the spring. Jim reported a graduate assistant, Chris Winkel, is working on the project. Chris has started compiling the raw data from the state visits and looking for similarities and differences in the results.

### **Suite of Tests:**

Bob Steffes will be working with Scott to write a summary of the results of the tests and evaluate them.

### **Lab Trailer:**

The weight on the trailer came in higher than expected making a larger truck and CDL license necessary. Therefore, the 4 feet that had been removed in order to lighten the trailer have been added back on. Featherlite is developing the working drawings, and we are working with them on a delivery date.

### **Demo Projects:**

Doug and Jim will discuss a possible demo project for Minnesota, it may need to wait until next summer. State of Wisconsin has three possible sites – timing may be the deciding factor. The weather in the southern states will help extend the testing season.

### **Update brochure:**

A one page update is in the draft stage and should be ready for print within the next week. This will be used for state visits and for publicity to additional states that are being contacted. States that have shown a strong interest in concrete, or states that have recently started using concrete, seem like logical choices to contact. Some states being contacted are: California, Virginia, Illinois, Utah, Oklahoma, Montana, Tennessee, Pennsylvania, South Carolina.

**MCO Manual:**

Proposals for the RFP are due this Friday. A decision on technical editors will be made next week.

**TAC Meeting/MC<sup>2</sup> Conference:**

The MC<sup>2</sup> meeting is scheduled for April 14-15<sup>th</sup>, with the TAC meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup>. The meetings will be at a Holiday Inn, in Madison, Wisconsin. Details on the hotel, etc. are being finalized and will be publicized, both via email and on the website, as soon as they are available.

**Future Conference Calls**

March's conference call will be cancelled due to conflicts for many of the committee members. In April the entire TAC will meet, making the next conference call for the executive committee May 12<sup>th</sup>.