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REVISION OF SECTION 606

TENSIONED CABLE BARRIER (TL-3)

Section 606 of the Standard Specifications is hereby revised for this project to include the following:

**DESCRIPTION**

This work consists of the installation of Tensioned Cable Barrier at locations shown on the plans.

**MATERIALS**

The tensioned cable barrier system shall meet NCHRP Report 350, Test Level 3 (TL-3), and shall be one of the following:

(1) Brifen Wire Rope Safety Fence (Brifen WRSF) supplied by Brifen USA Inc., 12501 N. Sante Fe Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73114, Phone: (405) 751-8062, Fax: (405) 751-8338.

(2) Trinity Cable Safety System (Trinity CASS) supplied by Trinity Industries, Inc., 2525 Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, TX 75207, Phone: (800) 772-7976, Fax: (801) 292-9138.

(3) Safence Cable Barrier System (Safence) supplied by Gregory Industries, 4100 13th St., SW, Canton, Ohio, 44710, Phone 330-477-4800, Fax: 330-477-0626.

(4) Gibraltar Cable Barrier Systems (Gibraltar) supplied by Gibraltar Cable Barrier Systems, L.P.,

4303 Innovation Loop, Marble Falls, TX, 78654, Phone 800-495-8957, Fax: 830-798-5445

The wire cable shall be pre-stretched during manufacture in accordance with the manufacturer’s specifications. All posts shall be socketed posts. Concrete for posts and anchorages shall be Class B. End Anchorages (Tensioned Cable Barrier) shall meet NCHRP 350 TL-3.

**CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS**

Tensioned Cable Barrier shall be installed in accordance with the details shown on the plans and in accordance with manufacturer’s recommendations. The post spacing for the system used shall be no greater than that tested in accordance with NCHRP 350 for an impact deflection not to exceed nine feet and must be approved by the FHWA. The maximum post spacing shall be 20 feet.

The Contractor shall arrange for a qualified representative from the cable barrier manufacturer to be on site for the following:

1. The Contractor shall be adequately trained by the manufacturer’s representative to ensure proper installation of the Cable Barrier.
2. The Manufacturer’s representative shall check installation and tensioning after completion.

The Contractor shall obtain documentation from the manufacturer confirming the most recent detailed drawings are provided for the materials to be installed, and that these materials conform to the requirements of the NCHRP 350 TL-3. Three weeks prior to start of work, the Contractor shall submit three copies of the submittal drawings and specifications to the Engineer. Work shall not begin until approval of these drawings has been received from the Engineer.

Installation of the cable barrier shall be performed in the presence of the Engineer and a qualified representative of the manufacturer.

The Contractor shall obtain a signed statement from the manufacturer’s representative confirming that the cable barrier has been installed correctly and is operational.

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Sections of wire cable shall be connected using turnbuckles, with thread connector swaged on the cable. Concrete foundations for end anchorages and line posts shall be constructed with appropriate rebar based on the size of the foundations.

The Contractor shall conduct a soil survey based on at least one test boring every mile and at anchor sites to identify the soil type, classification, and load bearing capacity. The Contractor shall submit the results of the soil survey to the manufacturer so that adjustments can be made to the size or type of footing used. A copy of this survey shall also be submitted to the Engineer for the project records.

The minimum concrete post footing size shall be 14 inches in diameter and 3 feet in depth.

The minimum concrete anchor footing shape may vary according to the manufacturer’s recommendations but shall contain at least two cubic yards of concrete per anchor for systems with a single anchor for all cables. For systems having a separate anchor for each cable the footing shall contain at least one half cubic yard of concrete.

The Contractor shall install larger post and anchor footings than the minimum when soil conditions warrant. All size footings shall be constructed using Concrete Class B.

The Contractor shall maintain the cable barrier until CDOT Final Acceptance upon project completion. Cable barrier tensioning shall be checked within six weeks prior to project Final Acceptance.

Tensioned Cable Barrier and End Anchorage (Tensioned Cable Barrier) spare parts shall be provided and become the property of CDOT Maintenance. Spare parts shall include one complete end anchorage and all supplies needed for repairs for 1500 linear feet of Tensioned Cable Barrier, including, but not limited to: tension meter, standard socketed line posts, transition posts, post caps, excluders, locating pegs, cable clamp and prismatic reflectors. Spare parts shall include a cable spreader for weaved type cable installations. Spare parts shall be delivered to the CDOT maintenance yard at ♣\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The Contractor shall coordinate delivery of the spare parts with CDOT Maintenance personnel at ♣ (xxx) xxx-xxxx.

**METHOD OF MEASUREMENT**

Tensioned Cable Barrier will be measured by the linear foot of barrier that is installed and accepted, excluding end anchorage.

End Anchorage (Tensioned Cable Barrier) will be measured by the actual number of anchorages that are installed and accepted. End Anchorage (Tensioned Cable Barrier) shall include concrete for standard foundation, cables, posts, and all necessary parts and fittings.

**BASIS OF PAYMENT**

The accepted quantities of tensioned cable barrier will be paid for at the contract unit price for each of the pay items listed.

**Pay Item Pay Unit**

Tensioned Cable Barrier (TL-3) Linear Foot

End Anchorage (Tensioned Cable Barrier) Each

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Payment will be full compensation for all work and materials required to complete the Tensioned Cable Barrier and End Anchorage work.

Posts and post footings will not be measured and paid for separately, but shall be included in the work.

Additional concrete and boring required for post and end anchorage footings required to be larger than the minimum specified in the Contract will be measured and paid for as Concrete Class B in accordance with

Section 601. Additional reinforcing steel required will not be measured and paid for separately, but shall be included in the work.

The spare parts will not be measured and paid for separately, but shall be included in the work.

All costs associated with manufacturer’s documentation and having the manufacturer’s representative on site will not be measured and paid for separately but shall be included in the work.

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO DESIGNERS** (Delete instructions and symbols from final draft.):

Use of this special provision for cable barrier test level 3 is allowed on all highways and interstates.

♣Insert the CDOT Maintenance yard location and phone number.