

Bituminous PWT (Percent Within Tolerance)

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Quality

- PWT is a continuation of the Department's goal of increased quality.
- Joint effort between the Department, FHWA and Industry
- 2016 was "A year to learn"
- Future of PWT

Current Status

- Two (2) methods in use:

1. PWT-LTS (Laboratory Testing Section)

- Acceptance at LTS
- Gmm Verification included on Federally Funded and NHS Projects

2. PWT-HOLA (Hands On Local Acceptance)

- Department Acceptance, Contractor Lab
- Department Option to Witness Only
- Gmm Verification included on Federally Funded and NHS Projects. (Conducted at Local Lab)

2016 PWT Summary

158 PWT Projects Let in 2016

District	Total Active Project	SSP included in Advertisement		SSP Used on Project	
		LTS	HOLA	LTS	HOLA
1-0	9	9	0	6	3
2-0	3	2	1	2	1
3-0	8	7	1	7	1
4-0	3	3	0	3	0
5-0	5	5	0	5	0
6-0	1	1	0	0	1
8-0	25	23	1	24	1
9-0	12	5	7	6	6
10-0	6	5	1	4	2
11-0	7	6	1	2	5
12-0	7	7	0	7	0
Total	86	73	12	66	20

Industry Breakdown of Active Projects		
Prime Contractors (ea.)	Suppliers (Plants) (ea.)	Paving Contractors (ea.)
32	57	31

2016 PWT Summary

(As of January 12, 2017)

	Lots	Overall Lot Payment Averages			Pay Factor Averages			
		Average Lot Payment	Average Lot Payment (Cores)	Average Lot Payment (Other)	Asphalt Content	#200 Sieve	Primary Control Sieve	Density (Cores/Optimum Rolling/Non-Movement)
Total	452	1.01	1.02	1.01	101.27	101.12	100.25	101.60
PWT-HOLA	121	1.02	1.02	1.01	102.26	101.98	101.03	101.68
PWT-LTS	331	1.01	1.01	1.00	100.89	100.80	99.95	101.58

Average Density Pay Factor (Cores Only)						
	Total		HOLA		LTS	
	Lots	Pay Factor	Lots	Pay Factor	Lots	Pay Factor
Total	355	102.03	88	102.26	267	101.96
BPN 1	2	103.00	0	N/A	2	103.00
BPN 2	139	101.82	38	100.82	101	101.92
BPN 3	168	102.21	34	103.24	134	101.95
BPN 4	46	102.60	16	103.61	30	102.06

2016 PWT Summary

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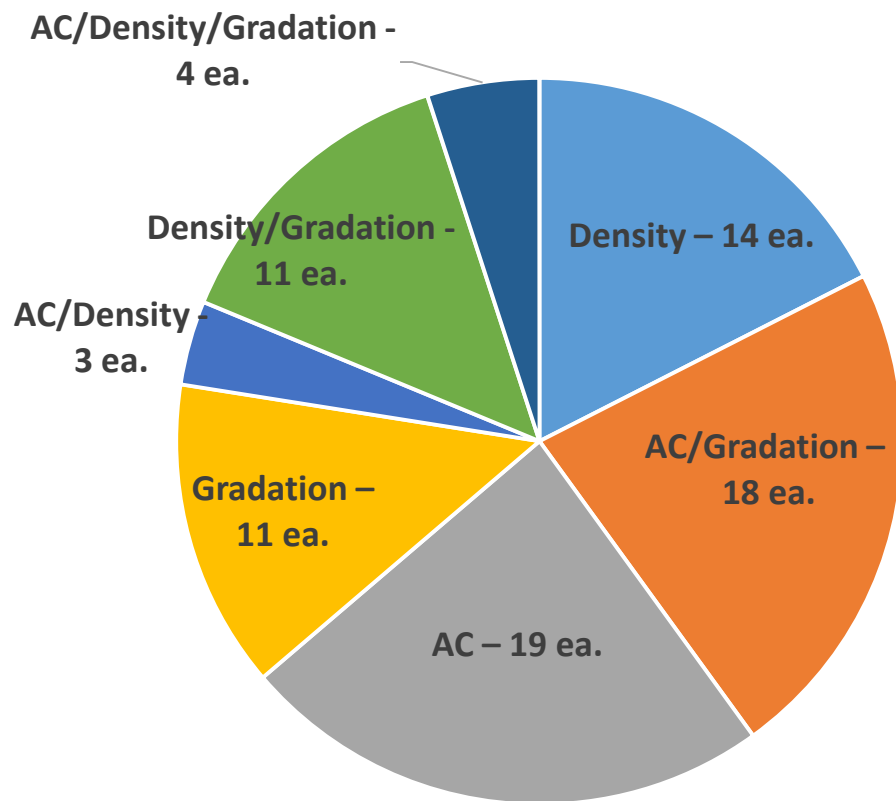
	PWT	Sec. 409	PWT-HOLA	PWT-LTS
Bonus Pay Lots	336	N/A	101	235
100% Pay Lots	30	420	8	22
Reduced Pay Lots	80	21	12	68
Defective Lots	6	11	0	6
Terminated Lots	0	N/A	0	0
Total	452		121	331

District	Incentives	Reductions	Δ
1	\$163,333.05	-\$55,637.69	\$107,695.36
2	\$46,908.89	-\$18,866.20	\$28,042.69
3	\$66,837.57	-\$18,450.16	\$48,387.41
4	\$128,419.13	\$0.00	\$128,419.13
5	\$88,680.57	-\$20,140.30	\$68,540.27
6	\$18,811.25	-\$4,546.88	\$14,264.37
8	\$214,244.95	-\$250,969.58	-\$36,724.63
9	\$159,038.61	-\$45,848.47	\$113,190.14
10	\$156,313.92	-\$4,871.88	\$151,442.04
11	\$148,884.75	-\$20,736.51	\$128,148.24
12	\$121,392.28	-\$28,014.25	\$93,378.03
Total	\$1,312,864.97	-\$468,081.92	\$844,783.05

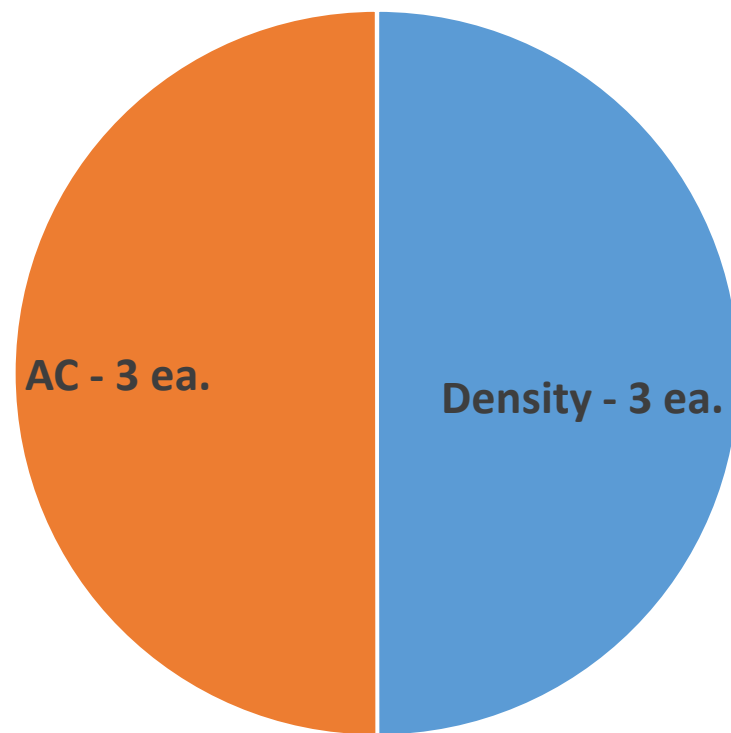
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80 Reduced Pay Lots



6 Defective Lots

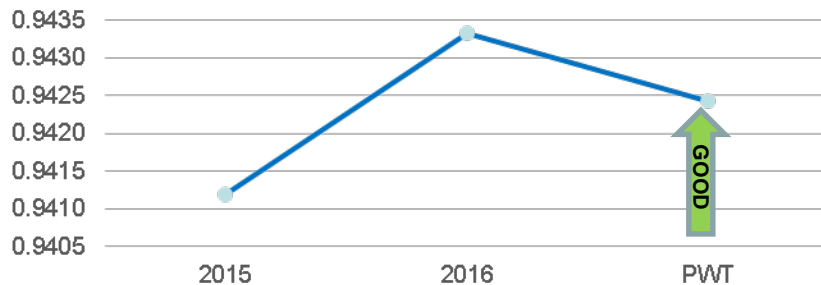


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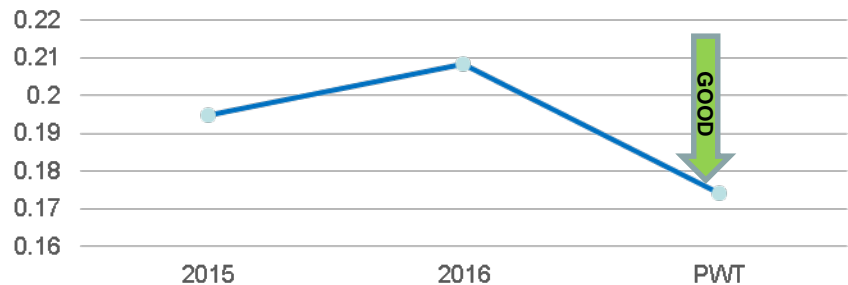
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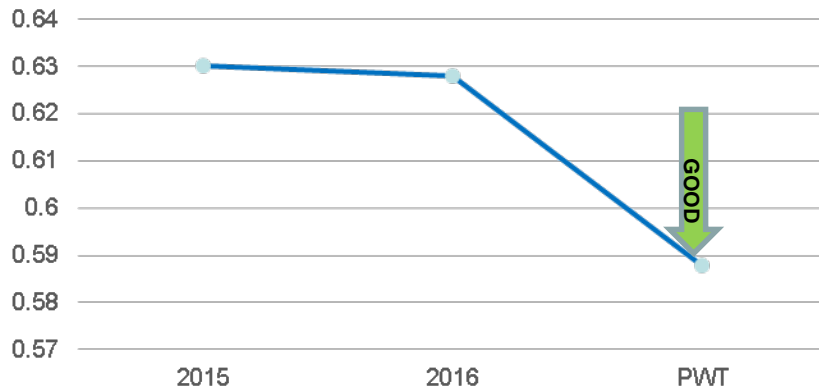
Average Density of Sublots



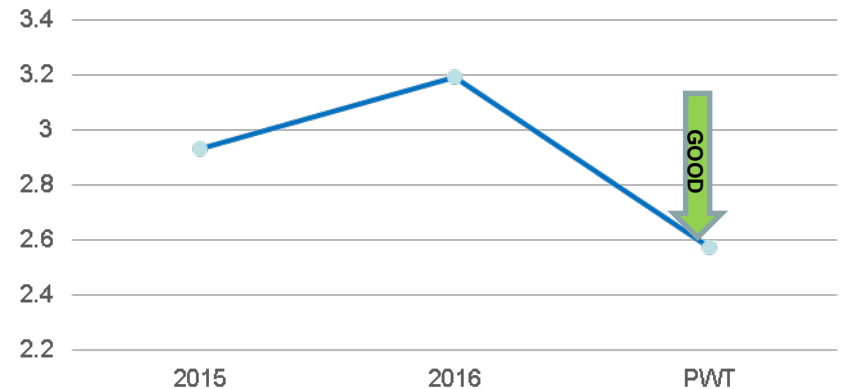
AC Avg. from JMF (Absolute Value)



#200 Avg. from JMF (Absolute Value)



PCS Avg. from JMF (Absolute Value)

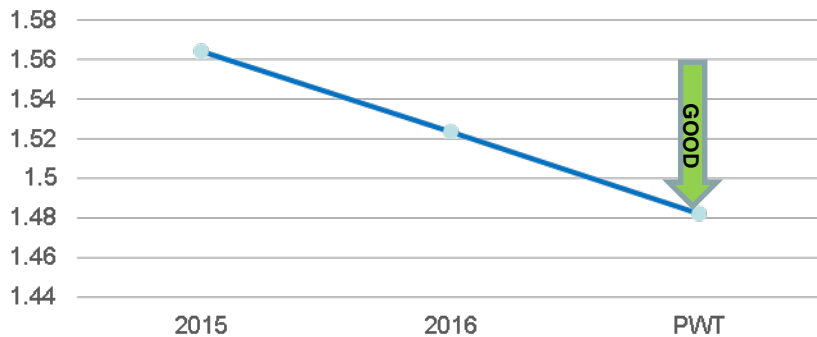


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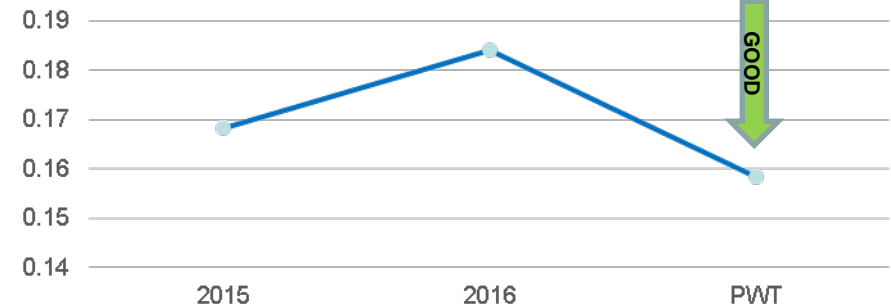
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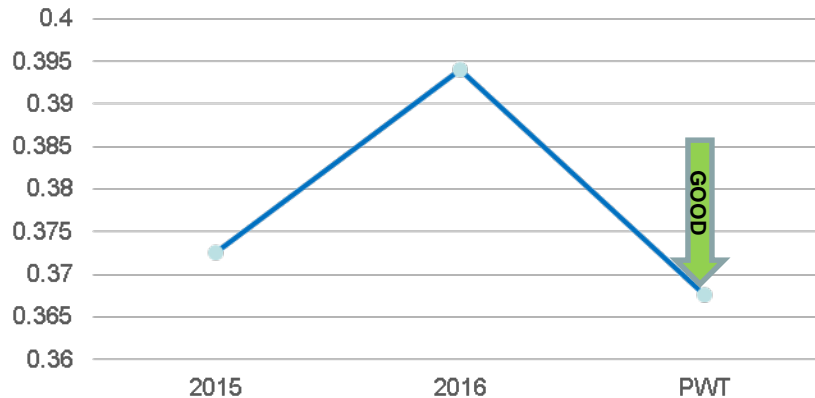
Average Density Standard Deviation



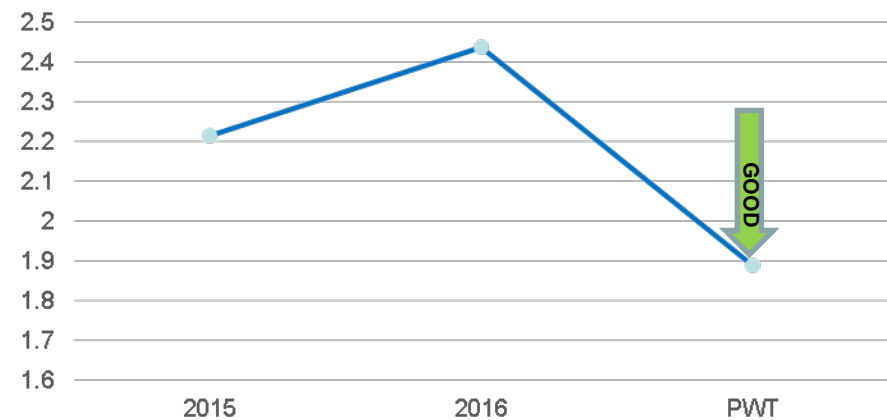
Average AC Standard Deviation



Average #200 Sieve Standard Deviation



Average PCS Standard Deviation



2016 After Action Review

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Thank You !

2016 After Action Review

Lessons Learned: Sustain and/or Improve

→→→What should we sustain that we are doing right?

- Standard Special Provisions
- Use Guidelines
- eCAMMS

→→→What should we improve that we can do better?

- Standard Special Provisions
- Use Guidelines
- eCAMMS

2016 After Action Review

Lessons Learned: Sustain

- Standard Special Provisions
 - No Changes to Upper and Lower Spec. Limits
 - No Changes to Payment Formula
 - Retain DISTRICT Option to Witness Only on PWT-HOLA (100% State / Non-NHS)
- Use Guidelines
 - Retain Contractor Request to Re-evaluate Non-RPS Items in Accordance with Section 409 ($PF_D < 100$)
- eCAMMS
 - Bonus and Reduced Pay Lots reported as "P"

2016 After Action Review

Lessons Learned: Improve

- Standard Special Provisions
 - Updating AMRL to re:source
 - Clarifying Laboratory Assessment Period (24 months from Assessment Date)
 - PWT to PWL (not anticipated for 2017)

2016 After Action Review

Lessons Learned: Improve

- Use Guidelines
 - Appropriate use of Density Acceptance by Cores (ref. Section 409)
 - Contract Item for Bonus/Reductions (PDA)
- eCAMMS
 - Multiple Ignition Oven Calibration Factors (PWT-HOLA)

2017 Construction Season

- PWT on **ALL Applicable** Paving Projects
- Revised SSPs
- Revised Use Guidelines
- Field Users Guide
- Continued monitoring of all PWT Projects
- 2017 AAR

Key Points of PWT

- Where can be PWT be applied?
- Terminated Lots (Contractor Elected)
- Sample Setup
- Contract Adjustments

Where can PWT be applied?

- Applicable to all bituminous paving items of Sections 309, 311, 316, 409, 410, and 411
- NOT applicable to:
 - Stone Matrix Asphalt (SMA)
 - Crumb Rubber Modified Asphalt Binder
 - Gap-Graded Asphalt Rubber Mixtures,
 - FJ-1 Wearing Courses
 - Asphalt Warranty Pavements
 - Shoulders falling under Section 650 Items

Contractor Terminated Lots

- Allows contractor to limit risk when early QC results indicate an issue
- Must stop paving
- 90% maximum pay
- Must R&R if defective by test results

Sample Setup

TR-447 Ref #:	A123456	Lab #:	L123456	Status:	Finalized	Pass/Fail:	P	English
Contract #:	E123456	Sample Class:	AS - Acceptance		QA Rating:			
Fed Proj Stat Code:	100%PA	JMF Year-No:	2017-123		Collected:	07/01/2016		
WBS #:	P-30017107M02-0450-701-2	TR-447 XRef:	A123457		Set Up:	07/01/2016		
PO #:		# Increments:	5		Received Dock:	07/02/2016		
County Code:	1	Lot / Batch #:	1		Received Lab:	07/02/2016		
S.R.:	123	Tank No.:			Last Test Date:	07/03/2016		
Section:	000	Lot Size & UoM:	2500 tons		Released:	07/03/2016		
Organization:		PE/PEQ No:			Orig. Rpt. Date:			
Construction Item #:	0411-0001	Location Code:						
408 Year/Ver/Sect:	2011 / 9 / 409APWT	Place Collected:						
Sp. Provision:		Plastic Air (217):						
Mtl Code / Class:	97 (Bituminous Ignition Furnace) - WR 9.5							
Product Name:								
Sampled By / Cert ID #:	Bob Builder		Inspected By / Cert ID #:					

Identify use of PWT

Contract Adjustments

- Adjustments entered into ECMS
- “PWT-LTS” or “PWT-HOLA” Adjustment Types
- Attach eCAMMS Report
- Contract Item for Bonus/Reductions (PDA)
 - ✓ Included in Revised Use Guidelines (Coming Soon)

Contractor's Lab Assessment



- Local acceptance lab will need on-site proficiency assessment by AASHTO re:source (formerly AMRL)
- Every 2 years (from assessment date)
- Assessment on the equipment to be used for acceptance

Lab Assessments Conducted by District

District #	Number of Assessments Conducted
District 1	2
District 2	1
District 3	1
District 4	0
District 5	1
District 6	3
District 8	2
District 9	5
District 10	1
District 11	2
District 12	0

Total

18



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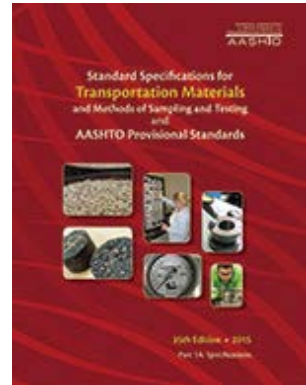
Tests That Must Be Performed / Assessed

- **Either** PTM 702 (*Extraction of Bitumen*) and PTM 739 (*Sieve Analysis of Extracted Aggregate*) **or** PTM 757 (*Asphalt Content by Ignition*) and AASHTO T 30 (*Mechanical Analysis of Extracted Aggregate*)
- PTM 715 (Gmb)
- PTM 716 (Gmb, *Mixtures that Absorb more than 3% Water by Volume*)
- PTM T209m (Gmm)
- AASHTO R 47 (*Reducing Samples*)

COMMON ASSESSMENT FINDINGS

Common Assessment Findings (General)

- Standards: Current AASHTO Standards not available.

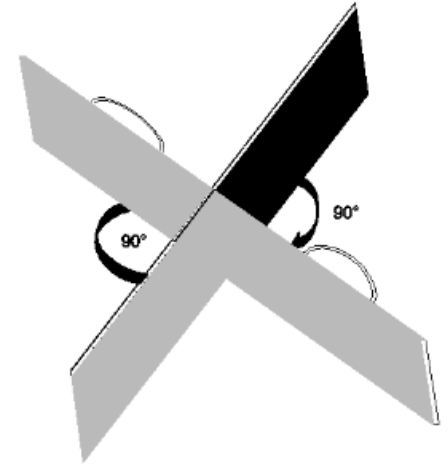


- Ovens: Not enough ovens for the different temperature requirements.

Common Assessment Findings (Testing)

AASHTO R47 (Reducing Samples)

- Quartering Template with Method B



AASHTO T 30 (Mechanical Analysis of HMA)

- Wetting Agent
- Rainhart Mechanical Shaker
- Records

Common Assessment Findings (Testing)

PTM 715 (Bulk Specific Gravity)

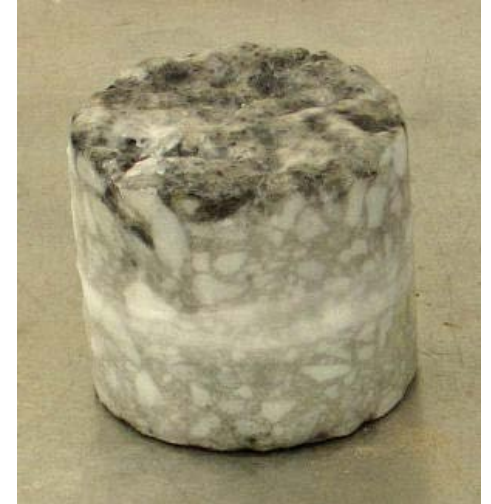
- Volumeter Water



Common Assessment Findings (Testing)

PTM 716 (Bulk Specific Gravity - Coated Specimens)

- Specimens not coated well.
 - Wax too hot.
 - Not refrigerated prior to coating.
- Specific gravity of paraffin
- Trouble with calculations.



Common Assessment Findings (Testing)



PTM T209m (Maximum Specific Gravity)

- Residual Pressure Not Maintained
 - 27.5 ± 2.5 mm Hg (3.7 ± 0.3 kPa)
- Not Able to Maintain a Partial Vacuum
- Records
 - Standardized Every 12 Months

Common Assessment Findings (Testing)

PTM T209m (Maximum Specific Gravity(continued))

- Hose Opening Not Covered
- Thermometer Not Calibrated



THE ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Scheduling the Assessment (Online)

AASHTO re:source: www.aashtoresource.org

- “Request Services”
- “Register Your Laboratory With AASHTO re:source”
- “Request a Laboratory Assessment”
- ½ to 1 Day onsite Assessment

The Assessment

- Testing Equipment conformance to Specifications
- Technician(s) properly performing Required Tests
 - Pennsylvania Test Methods (PTM)
 - AASHTO
- Calibration and Verification Records
 - Balances
 - Thermometers
 - Mechanical Shakers
 - Vacuum gauges

After the Assessment

- Report Issued
- Each Nonconformity Resolved
- Summary Report provided to DME/DMM

Questions?

