SCOTTISH EXECUTIVE ENTERPRISE TRANSPORT & LIFELONG LEARNING DEPARTMENT TRANSPORT GROUP – TRUNK ROAD DIVISIONS MANUAL OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS FOR HIGHWAY WORKS (MCHW) VOLUME 1: SECIFICATION FOR HIGNWAY WORKS – May 2005 VOLUME 2: NOTES FOR GUIDANCE ON THE SPECIFICATION FOR HIGHWAY WORKS – May 2005 SE INTERIM AMENDMENT NO 18

INTRODUCTION

The May 2005 amendments to the Specification for Highway Works (SHW) and Notes for Guidance on the NGSHW call up Clause 953 and Clause NG 953, both of which relate to the use of the Saturation Ageing Tensile Stiffness (SATS) test. Insofar as the consistency of the outcomes of such testing has yet to be confirmed, in terms of the variety of aggregates in asphalt production in the UK as a whole, these Clauses are considered to be to a certain extent developmental.

As a result, unless agreed after consultation with the Scottish Executive Trunk Road Divisions Contracts and Policy Branch, these Clauses, and references linking to them should be excluded from Scottish Trunk Road contracts.

IMPLEMENTATION

All tenders invited after the issue of this Interim Amendment are to take account of the above amendment.

ENQUIRIES

These should be addressed to:-

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