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# MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

## *Inter-Departmental Memorandum*

TO: Section Leaders

DATE: April 11, 1995

FROM: Steven W. Reeves *SWR*  
Quality Control Engineer

SUBJECT OR PROJECT NO: Guardrail End Treatment

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Irving Harris  
John Pickering

COUNTY:

Please find attached a memo from FHWA concerning our Type I guardrail end treatment. This is for your information so that we may be aware of any approach blunt end terminals that will have to be replaced.

If you have any questions, please contact my office.

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April 5, 1995

Dr. Robert L. Robinson, Executive Director  
Mississippi Department of Transportation  
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Dr. Robinson:

Subject: Traffic Barrier Safety Policy & Guidance

In reviewing MDOT's plan for addressing obsolete guardrail end treatments, it came to our attention that MDOT may not realize there are terminals that are considered blunt end type and are still in place. A review of the MDOT standard specifications shows that the Type I guardrail end treatment is considered a blunt end terminal by Technical Advisory 5040.33 dated February 9, 1993, which is referenced in our guidance forwarded to MDOT on October 13, 1994.

Please be aware that during several recent maintenance inspections by our engineers, these Type I treatments were noticed on roads on the NHS system. As stated in our guidance, only the approach blunt end terminals have to be replaced. We are bringing this particular item to the Department's attention so that these terminals will be included in the planned Statewide inventory. Should you have any questions, please contact David Whitworth of our office at 965-4233.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence J. Kastner

PHYLLIS E. YOUNG  
Division Administrator

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