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Ms. Paula J. Hammond
Secretary of Transportation
Department of Transportation
Olympia, Washington

Attention: Pasco Bakotich III, P.E.

**Statewide Proprietary Item Request -
Primavera P3 3.1, or Later**

Dear Ms. Hammond:

We have reviewed your request submitted with your June 1, 2009, letter requesting FHWA approval for use of the subject proprietary item.

We concur that it is in the public interest to use this product to meet WSDOT's project management needs. Use of this software will provide compatibility with the Project Management Software Suite selected by WSDOT. We approve the use of Primavera version P3 3.1, or later, on Federal-aid projects for the 2009-2011 biennium. Please inform us if any changes are made to this request.

Contact Don Petersen at (360) 534-9323 or don.petersen@dot.gov if you have any questions regarding this action.

Sincerely,

DANIEL M. MATHIS, P.E.
Division Administrator

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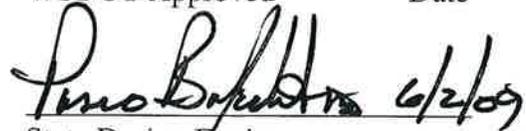
Memorandum

DATE: May 29, 2009

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WSDOT Approved Date


State Design Engineer

SUBJECT: Statewide Blanket Proprietary Item Request for Primavera P3 3.1, or later, scheduling software

This memo is to request a blanket proprietary item approval allowing, “**Primavera P3 3.1 or later**” schedule software to be required as part of the General Special Provision (GSP) **Type C Progress Schedule**. This request is for the period from July 1, 2009 thru June 30, 2011 and replaces the existing proprietary item approval for Primavera, dated May 22, 2007. A copy of that approval is attached for your reference which expires June 30, 2009.

It is essential that we make the most efficient use of the workforce. We have investigated project management, control and reporting best practices in use worldwide that can help us better manage our project time, costs and risks. This statewide effort performed by the Statewide Project Management Group (SPMG) has recommended the use of a suite of tools that support project management activities such as cost and document management, workflow and schedule development. Based on the requirements of the agency and the decision to implement these industry best practices, the SPMG produced an RFP to select a suite of tools and Primavera was determined to be the best value.

Our request is to specify this scheduling product for use only in our more complex construction projects to create consistency within the department and the contracting community. This consistency will reduce costs in the long run associated with training staff and increased production thus saving money and being in the public’s best interest.

We will soon start our 09-11 biennium, and we would like to continue the use of this updated version of Primavera as the scheduling software tool. This requirement will be utilized only on construction contracts that are complex with numerous tasks, activities and/or extend over multiple construction seasons. The construction projects that would qualify for this requirement are relatively few in number compared to the overall number of WSDOT contracts. Approval for use by HQ Construction Office will be required to include this requirement in the contract.

cc: Anthony Sarhan