Requirements for EEO and Civil Rights for Maine Turnpike Authority Construction Contracts

105.10 Equal Opportunity and Civil Rights

105.10.1 Requirements Applicable to Federally Funded Contracts This Subsection is deleted and not replaced.

105.10.2 Requirements Applicable to All Contracts

The following is added after Paragraph (A), Maine Code of Fair Practice and Affirmative Action, Paragraph 4).

The Maine Turnpike Authority is an equal opportunity employer and as such, requires all Contractors to pursue in good faith affirmative action programs.

THEREFORE;

The Contractor hereby agrees to the following requirements:

- 1. The Contractor will pursue an affirmative action program which includes procedures designed to increase the numbers of minorities, women, and handicapped at all levels and in all segments of the workforce where imbalances exist. Such a program should include an assessment of the existing situation, and the development of realistic goals for necessary actions. These goals and related procedures and timetables should not require rigid quotas but are commitments which the Contractor should make every good faith effort to achieve.
- 2. In connection with Contracts in excess of \$250,000, the Contractor will insure contractually that all Subcontractors shall also pursue an affirmative action program meeting the above requirements. The Contractor shall also ensure contractually that all Subcontractors with Contracts in excess of \$50,000 pursue an affirmative action program meeting the above requirements.
- 3. An affirmative action program will provide that no Contractor and/or Subcontractor will discriminate against an employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religious creed, sex, national origin, ancestry, age, physical handicap or mental handicap unless based upon a bona fide occupational qualification. Such action shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following; employment, upgrading, demotions, transfers, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoffs or terminations, rates of pay and compensation, and selection for training and apprenticeship.

Paragraph (D), Prevention of Sexual Harassment, is deleted and replaced with the following:

Contractors are responsible, under Maine State Law, for ensuring and maintaining a Work environment that is free from sexual harassment. The Contractor shall comply with all relevant provisions of Maine State Law in regard to sexual harassment including, but not necessarily limited to, 5 MRSA 4572, 26 MRSA 806-807, and the regulations of the Maine Human Rights Commission.

Subsections 105.10.2 (E), DBE Reporting Requirements, and (F), Certification of Continuing EEO Efforts, are deleted and not replaced.

Per Maine state law, Contractors must also assure the opportunity for an individual to secure employment without discrimination because of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, religion, age, ancestry or national origin is recognized as and declared to be a civil right.

