

1 The following Section shall be made part of the Standard Specifications:  
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4 **"SECTION 621 – ENHANCED VEHICLE CLASSIFICATION TRAFFIC**  
5 **COUNTING SYSTEM**  
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7 **621.01 Description.** The work includes furnishing labor, materials, tools,  
8 machinery, and equipment to install a new Enhanced Vehicular Classification (EVC)  
9 traffic counting system along Route 72, milepost 13.89. The Contractor shall make  
10 improvements as shown in the contract plans, or as ordered by the Engineer,  
11 including the following.  
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13 (A) Provide necessary provisions for traffic counting operations by  
14 installing and testing piezoelectric sensors, vehicle detector loops,  
15 installing conduit, cable wiring, controller cabinet, constructing cabinet  
16 foundation, providing power and electrical connections, warning sign  
17 and system integration and testing according to the contract.  
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19 (B) Provide underground conduit systems including trenching, structural  
20 excavation, furnish and install pull boxes, backfilling and restoration  
21 work.  
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23 (C) Conduct required testing for the vehicle detector loops and piezo  
24 sensors. Submit for acceptance test procedures and criteria for  
25 acceptance test results to the Engineer. Notify the Engineer a  
26 minimum of one (1) week before the date scheduled for testing.  
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28 (D) Coordinate and arrange for inspection of work with the Engineer.  
29 Arrange for a representative from piezo sensor's manufacturer to  
30 supervise installation of piezo sensors.  
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32 (E) Turn over to the Engineer a complete and operating vehicle counting  
33 system according to the contract.  
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35 Furnish and install incidental parts necessary to complete the vehicular counting  
36 and classification system as though such parts were in the contract.  
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38 Electrical equipment shall conform to the NEMA Standards and this contract.  
39 Materials and workmanship shall conform to "National Electric Code", (the code);  
40 General Order Nos. 6, and 10 of the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission; ASTM  
41 standards; the ANSI and applicable revisions for all the above codes and standards  
42 and local ordinances that may apply.  
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45 **621.02 Materials.**  
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47 **(A) Enhanced Vehicular Classification (EVC) Traffic Counting**  
48 **System.** The EVC system is intended to count vehicle volume and perform  
49 vehicle classification, including but not, limited to the thirteen (13) FHWA  
50 vehicle types, and data for environmental impact analysis per FHWA  
51 requirements.  
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53 **(1) General Requirements.** Install EVC system in each lane at  
54 the location shown on the contract plans. The EVC system contains a  
55 set of piezoelectric sensors and magnetic loop detectors. The EVC  
56 system will be used to classify the number of axles in accordance with  
57 FHWA requirements.  
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59 The EVC system shall also be capable of monitoring traffic  
60 volume data using one or more magnetic induction vehicle detector  
61 loops. Such loops shall be installed as called for in the contract plans.  
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63 **(2) EVC System Components.** Installation and setup per  
64 manufacturer's recommendation for all sensors, lead-in cables, and  
65 related components.  
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67 **(a) Traffic Classification Data System Requirements.**  
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69 **1. In-Road Piezo and Classification Sensor**  
70 **System.** A Piezo Sensor System is the type of  
71 classification sensor system required for this project.  
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73 **(i)** The piezo sensors shall have an  
74 operating life of a minimum of one (1) year from  
75 the date of acceptance. Sensor failure during  
76 this period shall require replacement of the faulty  
77 unit at the Contractor's expense for furnishing,  
78 delivering and installing the replacement  
79 equipment, system, and components including  
80 any traffic control measures required for the safe  
81 installation of the replacement sensor.  
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83 **(ii)** Install piezo sensors under the  
84 supervision of the manufacturer's representative  
85 for the Piezo system. All necessary  
86 components, process, system modifications, and  
87 installation requirements shall be provided as  
88 incidentals to the system.  
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90 **(iii)** Piezo Sensor System: The following are  
91 requirements for the Piezoelectric Sensor  
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**a)** Configuration: Install piezoelectric sensors in the roadway for each lane in both traffic directions.

**b)** Class 1 BL unencapsulated piezoelectric sensors must be supplied complete with custom length lead-in coaxial cable with pre-made termination connectors. The sensor design and installation technique must have been proven reliable in conditions (soil and environmental), similar to those in Hawaii.

**c)** Piezo Sensor shall be Class I Weigh in Motion Sensor, 11-foot length (or based on actual roadway width), complete with coaxial lead cable (non-spliced). The sensor shall have 16 gauge flat braided silver plated copper wire center core with highly compressed piezoelectric copolymer P(VDF-TrFE) and outer sheath of 0.16-inch thick brass meeting CDA-260 and ASTM B87-88 requirements. The sensor shall be approximately 0.26-inches wide with a maximum thickness of 0.063-inches (plus/minus 0.05 inches). Insulation resistance between core and shield shall be greater than 500M ohms. Piezoelectric coefficient shall be greater or equal to 20 pC/N nominal.

**1)** Embed piezo sensors in a grout with clips for mounting at 6" intervals. The sensors shall be of the type suitable for the application. Install piezo lead-in cables and piezo sensors in slots cut in the road surface, approximately 3/4" wide x 2" deep and provide supporting clips at 6-inch centers.

**2)** Lay sensor in a groove at 1-inch below the surface of the roadway or as recommended by the manufacturer. Secure sensor in

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place along the entire length of the sensor in the slot by quick setting grout clips.

**3)** Sensor shall be manufactured to produce uniform, high amplitude piezoelectric output with signal to noise ratio of 10:1 minimum.

**4)** Groove shall be constructed in strict accordance with specifications of the manufacturer. Install sensor straight and flat in groove.

**5)** Epoxy fill voids of the groove. The epoxy grout fill shall be prepared in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, and shall result in a concave finish approximately 1/16-inch above the surface of pavement or as shown on the plans. The grout curing requirements of the manufacturer shall be complied with and traffic loading shall not be permitted until the grout is fully cured.

**6)** Passive signal cable shall be RG 58 rated for underground direct burial, with outer jacket of 0.187-inch outside diameter and nominal capacitance of 27 pF/Ft, with factory termination to sensor and BNC connector. Each cable shall have field measured custom length to suit the installation conditions. In the event that the cables provided have insufficient length to reach the equipment harness inside the cabinet, the cables shall be rejected and splicing to lengthen the cable will not be allowed.

**7)** Install sensor in clean saw cut grooves in strict conformance to the

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sensor manufacturer's installation requirements.

**8)** Hot tar shall not be used. Installation of encapsulating material shall be allowed to cure and shall be ground flat.

**9)** Do not allow traffic on the completed system until the manufacturer's representative approves all conditions of the installation with the acceptance by the Engineer. Thereafter, testing in accordance with the manufacturer's requirements shall be completed before public traffic is allowed.

**10)** Grooves shall be made by wet cutting. Dry cutting shall not be allowed.

**11)** Overall length of the passive cable shall be 300-feet maximum or as required. Provide loop of 5-feet in handhole for each cable.

**12)** In the event that heating of the encapsulating material is allowed by the Engineer, the temperature of the material shall not be allowed to exceed 170 degrees F. In the event that the temperature exceeds the maximum allowed, the entire sensor system installed shall be replaced.

**13)** Provide adequate power for all test equipment to meet the detailed and specific requirements of the manufacturer for all tests required for certification and acceptance. Provide all necessary equipment to perform the required tests.

**d)** Two (2) 11-foot piezoelectric sensors (or as determined by the Engineer) must be

230 supplied for each lane for both directions as  
231 shown on the plans.

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233 e) The sensors shall be able to  
234 withstand at least one million cycles and  
235 interface with the counting equipment to  
236 perform the above mentioned applications.

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238 f) The sensors shall include all  
239 mounting hardware and installation grout.  
240 The supplied installation grout must be  
241 suitable for installation in both asphalt and  
242 Portland cement pavements. The  
243 installation grout must require no special  
244 equipment to facilitate installation. The  
245 grout must have a short curing time (less  
246 than 75 minutes) to minimize lane closure  
247 time. The grout should be of sufficient  
248 consistency to prevent "running" when  
249 being applied on road surfaces with a  
250 drainage cross-slope. Particulate matter  
251 within the grout must not separate or settle.  
252 The grout must not shrink during the curing  
253 process.

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255 (iv) Sensor (inductive) loops shall be  
256 furnished and installed in each traffic lane to  
257 measure speed and length of vehicles and also  
258 to classify vehicles in conjunction with the axle  
259 detectors. Refer to the configuration shown in  
260 the construction plans.

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262 (v) If the number and configuration of the in-  
263 roadway sensors, and sensor loops, need to be  
264 modified from the number and configuration  
265 shown in the construction plans, the Contractor  
266 shall inform the State at the time of submitting  
267 the proposal, or earlier, and submit Shop  
268 Drawings of the revised configuration for  
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271 (vi) Grout and Epoxy. The sensor  
272 manufacturer must approve and the Engineer  
273 must accept all grout and epoxy used for the  
274 sensor installation.  
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**(b) Vehicle Inductive Loops.** Install two vehicle inductive loops per lane for measuring volume, speed and vehicle length. The inductive loops shall be completely tested prior to shipment with no splices and ready to install.

(Note: The lead-in wire(s) for the new inductive loops can be spliced (soldered connection/waterproof insulation) to existing lead-in wires at the existing or new pull box. Ensure sufficient wire lengths for the piezo sensors must be provided to be able to connect wires into the terminal block inside cabinet without splices. HDOT or its representative will make the final connection into the terminal block inside the cabinet, however, the Contractor shall label the wires clearly to identify traffic direction, lane number, and sequence of loops and piezo sensors in each lane per direction).

Each loop and its two (2) lead-in-wires, shall be one continuous piece of #14 AWG, 19 strand bare copper, IMSA 51-conforming to the requirements of ASTM B-3 as manufactured by Berkshire Electric Cable Company or approved equal. The loop cable shall be continuous within the roadway. The loop itself includes four (4) turns of wire of a size, as specified in the contract. Do not twist lead-in-wires from one loop pair with another loop pair.

Embed loop and lead-in-wires in a three-eighth (3/8) inch minimum width saw-cut in the pavement. Saw cut depth to the top layer of wire shall be at least two (2) inches deep. The saw cut groove shall be air blown to remove debris before installing the loop cable. Fill the saw cut groove with approved epoxy sealer.

Install Vehicle Detector Loops such that they are centered in the lane relative to the final lane striping. Replace loops not centered in each lane relative to the final lane striping at no additional cost to the State.

**(c) EVC Controller Cabinet.** The new EVC controller cabinet shall house all required communications and control equipment necessary to control the EVC System and to remotely communicate with the Department of Transportation, Highways Division, Planning Branch via modem.

The EVC controller cabinet shall consist of a ground-mounted cabinet similar to a CALTRANS Model 332 Controller

Cabinet or approved equal capable of housing and mounting the data collection unit.

Each 332 Cabinet shall meet the following additional requirements:

1. Cabinets fabricated from 0.125 anodized Aluminum.
2. Cabinet's Main Breakers shall be rated as 50 amps.
3. Front and back fluorescent lights activated upon opening any door.
4. Convenience GFI Receptacles.
5. Door locks of solid brass rim Best Lock Series 516RL3XA7559-606 including 2 keys.
6. Labeling by Silk-Screening only.
7. Attach One each 24" x 36" Cabinet Print in a weatherproof plastic jacket to front and back cabinet doors.
8. The cabinet shall be painted with an "anti-graffiti" type paint in conformance with Section 708 of the Standard Specifications.

Internal wiring shall be modified to meet the functional needs of the EVC System.

**(d) Electrical Conductors** shall be as follows:

1. Type 1 Home-Run Cable Tie in Loop Detector Stubs to the Cabinet. Polyethylene insulated, Stranded-Tinned-Copper 14 AWG; 2 Conductor Cable; Stranded Tinned-Copper Drain Wire; Aluminum - Polyester Shielded; Polyethylene Jacketed; 600 Volts Rated; IMSA Spec. 50-2 Certified.
2. Type 2 Detector-Loop Cable for installation into the roadway sawcut; 12 AWG Stranded



364 THHN; 600 Volts; inserted into a  
365 Polyethylene Tube, .25" max. dia.  
366 IMSA Spec 51-5 Certified. Cable  
367 inclusive in the Detector Loop Bid.  
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369 3. The remaining cables required for the installation  
370 of the EVC station shall be as required by the  
371 manufacturer's requirements and recommendations.  
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373 (f) **Excavation Warning Signs.** The Contractor shall  
374 furnish and install two (2) warning signs and appropriate  
375 mountings on each side of the roadway adjacent to the  
376 sensor lead-in cable runs or as close as possible.  
377 Signs and mountings shall conform to the requirements  
378 of Section 712.20 (Signs) of the Standard Specifications  
379 and Standard Plan TE-01. Signs shall be a minimum of  
380 12 inches by 18 inches. Sign text shall read as follows:

381 WARNING  
382 BURIED TRAFFIC SIGNAL LINES  
383 NOTIFY HWY-PLANNING BRANCH AT  
384 (808) 587-6352 BEFORE DIGGING/EXCAVATION

385 The first line of text shall be a minimum of two (2)  
386 inches in height. Subsequent lines of text shall be one (1) inch  
387 in height. No border is necessary, but a margin of one-quarter  
388 (1/4) inch shall be maintained. For the letters and background,  
389 use black and yellow paints, respectively. The first line of text  
390 shall be centered. Subsequent lines shall also be centered,  
391 however, the Contractor shall have the option to move the  
392 wording within these lines to allow for best fit. Furnishing  
393 warning signs, mountings, and installation shall be incidental to  
394 the Contract.

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397 (B) **Other Materials.** Concrete shall conform to the requirements of  
398 Section 601 - Structural Concrete. Other materials shall meet the  
399 requirements specified in the following:

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401	Trench Backfill Material	Subsection 703.21
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403	Conduits	Subsection 712.27
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405	Concrete Pull Box	Subsection 712.06(B)
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407	Conductors and Cables	Subsection 770.06

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409 **621.03 Construction Requirements.**  
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411 **(A) Equipment List and Drawings.** Submit the equipment list to the  
412 Engineer for acceptance.  
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414 Submit an 'As Built' or corrected plan showing in detail the  
415 construction changes per Section 648 – Field Posted Drawings.  
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417 **(B) Excavation and Backfill.** Excavation and backfill shall conform to  
418 Section 204 - Excavation and Backfill for Miscellaneous Facilities. Place the  
419 material from the excavation to prevent damage and obstruction to vehicular  
420 and pedestrian traffic and interference with surface drainage.  
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422 **(C) Installation.**  
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424 **(1)** Provide supervision for the EVC installation and testing of the  
425 entire EVC system.  
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427 **(a)** Install piezo (EVC) sensors under supervision of EVC  
428 system Contractor.  
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430 **(b)** Provide other work necessary such that the completed  
431 sensors is ready for HDOT's use.  
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433 **(2) Vehicle Detectors.** Install vehicle inductive loops according  
434 to the contract plans, or as ordered by the Engineer and as required  
435 by the EVC system Contractor, or as recommended by the  
436 manufacturer.  
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438 **(3) Conduits.** Conduits, if any, shall be direct burial and  
439 concrete encased as shown in the contract. Conduits shall be PVC,  
440 Schedule 80.  
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442 Install the ducts to drain towards either one or both pullboxes.  
443 Conduits shall not drain towards the EVC Controller cabinet.  
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445 Intake directional changes in the conduits, such as bends and  
446 changes to clear obstructions with curved segments using accepted  
447 deflection couplings or with short lengths of straight ducts and  
448 couplings. The deflection angle between two adjacent lengths of  
449 ducts shall not exceed six degrees (6°). The bends shall not have a  
450 radius of less than twelve (12) times the nominal size of the conduit.  
451 The Contractor may use factory-made ells.  
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453 Square and trim the ends after cutting to remove rough edges.  
454 The connections shall be of the solvent weld type. Make the solvent  
455 weld joints according to the conduit manufacturer's recommendations  
456 and as accepted.

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458 Seal the ends of the duct with plugs at the end of each day of  
459 work, whenever problems interrupt the duct installation work and  
460 whenever ducts are subject to submergence in water.

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462 Keep the conduits clean during construction.

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464 Use only hand shovels in compacting concrete encasements.  
465 Cure the concrete for at least 72 hours before permitting vehicular  
466 traffic to run over the concrete.

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468 Provide each conduit run with a No. 10 gage flexible, zinc  
469 coated pull wire extending through its entire length. Double an  
470 additional two feet back into the conduit at each end of the run.  
471 Conduits and sleeves entering pullboxes shall end flush in the wall  
472 with ends ground smooth. Plug the conduits and sleeves temporarily.

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474 Give the exterior portions of the direct burial steel conduits not  
475 encased in concrete two coats of asphaltic base paint.

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477 The entire length of a conduit run between pullboxes or  
478 standards shall be of one type of material.

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480 The completed duct lines shall be subject to a field test. Pass  
481 a bullet-shaped test mandrel about fourteen (14) inches long with a  
482 diameter 0.5 inch less than the inside diameter of the ducts through  
483 the entire length of each duct run. The Engineer will consider  
484 scouring found on the mandrel deeper than one thirty-seconds inch  
485 an indication of burrs and/or obstructions in the duct run. Normal  
486 abrasion between the duct line and bottom of mandrel is not an  
487 indication of burrs and/or obstructions in the duct run. Remove such  
488 burrs and/or obstructions. Pass the test mandrel through again.  
489 Repeat the process until the Contractor gets a satisfactory result.

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491 **(D) Electrical Service.** Electric power shall be 120 volts, 60 cycles.  
492 Install the service underground in a steel conduit of the size shown in the  
493 contract from the local power company's pole to the controller.

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495 Furnish and install service connections such as conduits, weatherhead, wires  
496 and meter loop, and comply with the power company's requirement for  
497 electrical service. The cost of service connections shall be the responsibility  
498 of the contractor.

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500 **(E) Inspection and Testing.**  
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502 **(1) Preliminary Arrangements.** The equipment shall be given  
503 requisite factory tests as necessary to determine that the  
504 workmanship and materials are free from defects and to establish that  
505 the design and construction are satisfactory.  
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507 Arrange for and conduct shop tests of the equipment to  
508 establish compliance of the contract documents and all applicable  
509 codes and standards. Furnish certified reports showing the results of  
510 all such tests. Test facilities shall be subject to prior inspection by the  
511 Engineer. Notify the Engineer at least 21 calendar days before the  
512 scheduled start of a test so that the Engineer may elect to witness any  
513 or all such tests. Furnish protection of equipment to prevent damage  
514 during the test period. All repair or replacement costs of any item  
515 damaged as a result directly or indirectly of the test will be at no cost  
516 to the State.  
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518 Unless otherwise noted in the contract documents, shop  
519 testing and inspection of the components or the complete system  
520 shall be in accordance with the Contractor's standard practice.  
521 Supply a list of all the Contractor's standard testing with the  
522 equipment submittal. The Engineer shall not be charged for any of  
523 the preliminary testing.  
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525 **(2) Inspection.** The Engineer reserves the right to inspect all  
526 material during fabrication and before shipment and shall have access  
527 to the manufacturer's or Contractor's plant as required.  
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529 **(3) Tests.**

530 **(a)** After installation of piezo sensors, perform and furnish  
531 written test results for each piezo sensor showing:  
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- 533 1) Resistance: The resistance should be at least 1  
534 MegaOhm.  
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- 536 2) Capacitance: The capacitance should range  
537 from 5 to 20 nano Farads.  
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- 539 3) Dissipation Factor: The reading should be less  
540 than 0.04.  
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542 Provide all testing equipment such as BK 875A or  
543 equivalent LCR meter, Fluke 75 or higher/equivalent

multimeter, Megohmmeter, and Scope meter or oscilloscope for the above tests.

(b) After the installation of the inductive loop detectors, furnish written test results for each loop sensor showing:

- 1) Induced voltage (V)
- 2)  $f$  = Frequency of Loop (KHz)
- 3)  $L$  = Inductance of Loop ( $\mu H$ )
- 4)  $R$  = Resistance of Loop (Ohm)
- 5) Meg Test = Loop insulation resistance should be  $> 100M$  ohm

Correct any defects discovered as a result of the Static tests at no additional cost to the State.

**(4) Acceptance of EVC System.**

(a) The EVC system shall not be accepted and payment shall not be made until the system has successfully met the required testing.

(b) **Inspection.** The Owner reserves the right to inspect all material during fabrication and before shipment and shall have access to the manufacturer's or Contractor's plant as required.

**(5) Restoring Pavements and Other Improvements.** Restore the existing pavements and other improvements disturbed by excavation to their original condition according to the contract. Materials used for restoration work shall meet specifications match thickness, texture, and color whenever applicable. The grades of the restored surfaces shall match the existing grades or as indicated in the contract plans.

**(6) Warranty.** Materials and equipment installed for permanent construction shall be new. Use first-class material and equipment throughout the performance of the contract.

Secure from the manufacturer(s), a warranty or warranties guaranteeing equipment from defects in materials, design and

workmanship for not less than twelve (12) months from the date of acceptance.

When requiring adjustments or repairs during the warranty period, adjust or repair the existing unit within twenty-four (24) hours from the time of notification.

When requiring repairs that need factory corrections during the warranty period, replace the existing unit with an accepted temporary operational replacement unit within twenty-four (24) hours from the time of notification until the Contractor can install the new unit. Install the new, identical non-defective unit within thirty (30) days from the time of notification.

**621.04 Method of Measurement.** The new Enhanced Vehicular Classification (EVC) Traffic Counting System will be paid for on a lump sum basis. Measurement for payment will not apply.

**621.05 Basis of Payment.** The Engineer will pay for the accepted EVC system on a lump sum basis. Payment will be full compensation for the work prescribed in this section and the contract documents.

The Engineer will pay for the following pay item when included in the proposal schedule:

Pay Item	Pay Unit
EVC Traffic Counting System	Lump Sum"

**END OF SECTION 621**