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Reply to the Attention of:

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Memorandum For Commander, USAE District, Fort Worth, ATTN: CESWF-AO-N/Robert P Johnston,  
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SUBJECT: Validation of Alpha Testing, Inc., Dallas, TX

1. In reference to Military Interdepartmental Purchase Request No. W45XMA83287893, dated 21 Nov 08, an audit based on the AASHTO Accreditation of the materials testing laboratory of Alpha Testing, Inc., Dallas, TX was performed on 26 Nov 08. We examined the AMRL On-site Assessment Report No. 429M, dated 01 Aug 06, the CCRL Inspection Report No. Y-887, dated 17 Oct 07 and the AASHTO accreditation certificate effective 26 Nov 08.

2. The Quality System of the laboratory is satisfactory and we are granting a validation of the lab to perform material tests for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The material test methods that the laboratory is validated to perform are:

a. **Aggregate Tests:** ASTM C40, C117, C127, C128, C136, C29, C566, and C702.

b. **Concrete Tests:** ASTM C31, C39, C138, C143, C172, C173, C231, C1064, C617, C1077, C1231, and E329.

c. **Soil Tests:** ASTM D421, D422, D558, D698, D1140, D1557, D1883, D2166, D2216, D2435, D2922, D3017, D3740, D4318, D4546, and E329.

3. We will add Alpha Testing, Inc., Dallas, TX to the list of commercial laboratories qualified to conduct material tests for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, see the Materials Testing Center homepage at <http://www.wes.army.mil/SL/MTC/mtc.htm>. All Corps offices will be notified of this decision and will have the opportunity to use their services. The laboratory will remain on our list of laboratories qualified to conduct material tests until 28 Nov 10, two (2) years from the date of the inspection.

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