INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 4, 1995

TO: Bridge Division Personnel

FROM: Dale F. Loe, Bridge Engineer

SUBJECT: Bridge Numbers

On all jobs that have not had final drawings made, the Bridge Number shown on the detail drawings and in the name plate title portion of the Bridge Quantity Sheet should be a five character, alphanumeric. This will be consistent with the "official" Bridge Number used in the FHWA's National Bridge Inventory. Also, if multiple bridges are used to cross the same facility, (i.e., A & B bridges) the letter should *preceed* the number. Letters that follow the numbers are not acceptable as NBI bridge numbers. Examples are as follows:

Correct	Incorrect
06754	6754
04867	4867
A5867	5867A
B5867	5867B

A bridge widenening or remodeling should retain the existing bridge number and be converted to a five character alphanumeric.

This five character alphanumeric Bridge Number should also be used on all correspondence, job files, bridge files, etc., for future jobs.

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