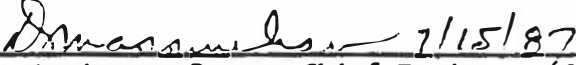


TO: SUPERSEDED BY EB 98-014 EFFECTIVE 4/24/98	ENGINEERING INSTRUCTION NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	
	SUBJECT: Bridge Design Manual - Standard Details For Highway Bridges - Transverse Sawcutting of Approach Slabs Subject Code: 7.35-5	
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This office has recently been informed that on at least 3 current contracts complaints regarding Item 16555.6602 - Transverse Sawcut Grooving of Structural Slab Surface have been received.

For these contracts the plans indicated saw cutting to the structural slab only and the estimate reflected the plans. During the course of the work the contractor was ordered to sawcut the approach slabs in addition to the structural slab. This created some difficulty since the item restricts payment to the estimated quantity and because of that restriction, the Construction Division is generally reluctant to process orders-on-contract unless gross estimate errors can be demonstrated.

To prevent future confusion and mistakes, effective immediately all new approach slabs and all newly overlaid existing approach slabs are to be transversely sawcut under Item 16555.6603 with the additional quantity included in the estimate of quantities,

Please note that Item 16555.6602 was recoded to 16555.6603 as of 4/21/86 - E.I. 86-20.