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Attached is a copy of Item 15634.040291 Message Unit Charges for Mobile Telephone Service. This is a new item and it supersedes Item 15634.0402 issued by Engineering Instruction 79-13. (Engineering Instruction 79-13 is not superseded as it issued other communication specifications which are still in force).

It has been brought to our attention that the resale of mobile telephone air time is a violation of the law. However, reimbursement of the message unit charges for the air time is permitted. The new specification for mobile telephone message unit charges is a fixed price lump sum item and provides for monthly payments to reimburse the Contractor for the mobile telephone usage, minutes of air time or message units, only. All other costs incurred shall be included in Item 15634.0401 Furnishing Mobile Telephone Equipment.

Because this new item is a fixed price lump sum item with payment to be made based on actual telephone usage, the designer will have to estimate both the amount of message units and their cost and determine an appropriate lump sum amount.

There is no change in the criteria set forth in EI 79-13 for the selection of Item 15634.0401 Furnishing Mobile Telephone Equipment. It will still be used to provide the Engineer with a means of communication on projects with no field office and/or projects that contain many work sites that are spread out over a wide area.

Item 15634.040291 Message Unit Charges for Mobile Telephone Service will be inserted into the proposal by the Main Office.

If you have any questions regarding this instruction or the new specification you may contact W. E. Hopkins at (518) 457-4092.

This instruction and specification are effective with the letting of November 14, 1991.

ITEM 15634.040291 MESSAGE UNIT CHARGES FOR MOBILE TELEPHONE SERVICE

Description: Under this item the Contractor will be reimbursed the message unit charges for the mobile telephone(s) provided under Item 15634.0401 Furnish Mobile Telephone Equipment.

Materials: Not specified.

Construction Details: The Contractor shall provide the Engineer with a legible copy of the monthly, or a regular billing period, telephone bills for mobile telephone(s) provided for his or her use. The bills shall show the number of minutes usage, or message units, and the total usage charges for the billing period.

Method of Measurement: This item will be measured for payment by the dollar amount billed for the minutes usage, or message units, shown on the telephone bill for the mobile telephone(s) provided for the Engineer's use. The lump sum of money shown in the itemized proposal for this work will be considered the price bid even though payment will be made for the billed cost for mobile telephone usage. Should the bidder alter the amount shown, the altered figure will be disregarded and the original price will be used to determine the total amount bid for the contract.

Basis of Payment: Monthly payments for this work will be the actual cost for the number of minutes usage, or message units, shown on the telephone bill for the mobile telephone(s) supplied for the Engineer's use. Any other costs incurred in supplying mobile telephone service shall be included in the item for furnishing mobile telephone equipment.