

**STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**SPECIAL PROVISION
FOR
PARTNERING**

MAY 3, 2007

The South Dakota Department of Transportation intends to encourage the foundation of a cohesive partnership with the contractor and its principal subcontractors. This partnership will be structured to draw on the strengths of each organization to identify and achieve reciprocal goals. The objectives are effective and efficient contract performance, on schedule, and in accordance with plans and specifications.

This partnership will be bilateral in makeup, and participation will be totally voluntary. Any cost associated with effectuating this partnering will be agreed to by both parties and will be shared equally. The contractor will be required to pay for partnering costs up front (e.g., facilitation, meeting facilities, etc.). The Department will then reimburse the contractor for 50 percent of the partnering cost by change order.

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