

AASHTO-AGC-ARTBA Joint Committee Resolution
Title: Sunsetting of AASHTO-AGC-ARTBA Joint Committee Task Force 13

WHEREAS, The Joint AASHTO-AGC-ARTBA Subcommittee on New Highway Materials and Technologies created task forces to develop guide specifications for new materials and technologies identified for use in highway construction projects; and

WHEREAS, The Subcommittee created Task Force 13, *Standardization of Details for Bridge and Road Hardware*, in 1972 to develop, recommend, and promote standards for bridge and roadside safety hardware to ensure optimum function, aesthetics, and economy; and

WHEREAS, Task Force 13 has shown tremendous dedication in creating, updating and facilitating the advancement of documents on roadside and bridge safety hardware for use by the transportation industry; and

WHEREAS, Under the leadership of Arthur Dinitz, John Durkos, Pat Collins, Gregg Fredrick, Nick Artimovich, Kenneth Boedecker, Jim Hatton, and numerous subcommittee co-chairs, Task Force 13 has convened two meetings per year and numerous conference calls of concerned and experienced representatives from state and federal government, industry, and academia on substantive issues related to roadside safety needs and developed solutions for use on our nation's highway system; and

WHEREAS, Task Force 13 has addressed issues in the areas of barrier hardware, bridge railings, support hardware, work zones, test facilities, computational mechanics, drainage products, and rail crossings through the development of technical publications and web sites to help ensure that materials, products, processes, and services in the area of safety hardware are fit for their purpose; and

WHEREAS, The various publications produced by Task Force 13 have been referenced and incorporated into the AASHTO Roadside Design Guide and have been relied upon by the state Departments of Transportation as well as federal, local, and tribal agencies in qualifying, specifying, and incorporating safety hardware in their transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, Task Force 13's activities have become self-sustaining and no longer require Joint Committee oversight or support; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the AASHTO-AGC-ARTBA Joint Committee commends and thanks the Task Force 13 officers and participants for the invaluable service they have rendered to the highway community over the past forty years in providing consistent and peer-reviewed drawings and details for safety hardware; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Joint Committee hereby sunsets Task Force 13 as a formal task force under the Joint Committee and the member associations will support the task force officers in developing a new framework partnering with AASHTO and possibly another organization for the ongoing work of the former task force; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the logos of the Joint Committee member associations of AASHTO, AGC, and ARTBA be permitted to remain attached to documents published previously by Task Force 13 as historical, and future publications of any successor entity not carry the Joint Committee's combined logos or designation.

RESOLVED, That the Task Force 13 name permitted to remain the property of the remaining group as they reorganize and continue to do their work.