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**To:** Ron Mulvaney

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Office of Financial Management

## **RE: Sampling, Testing, and Inspection Charges to be Effective May 1, 2023**

New unit costs have been established covering the services of the Department of Transportation for sampling, testing and inspection of materials. The attached list of charges for these services has been prepared for your information. The charges are to be effective for all work set up for billing beginning May 1, 2023 or as soon thereafter as possible.

The “Charge out Number,” as listed, will appear on the invoices. The 1000 and 1100 series cover testing costs on samples submitted to the laboratory. The 1200 series covers the cost of inspection and includes incidental sampling and testing. The term “laboratory” as used above applies not only to the central laboratory of the Department of Transportation in Maplewood, but also includes laboratories at the various district headquarters.

A lab overhead rate is added to lab tests billed out, the rate effective May 1, 2023 will be 106.07%.

We have discontinued calculating rates for tests that are infrequently done. An asterisk in the rate column of the attached sheets denotes these tests. MnDOT will still provide this service, but the cost will be billed to the city or county according to the actual time spent on the test. A labor additive charge, currently 28.02%, will be added to the hourly labor charge and to the related employee benefits. A new labor additive charge will be calculated and effective July 1, 2023.

**These charge rates are posted on the MnDOT web site at [MnDOT Lab Testing and Inspection](#) – click on “Lab Testing and Inspection Rates – Memo” or “Current Rates effective May 1, 2023”. Note: If there are any changes or additions to the current year’s charge rates it will be updated on this webpage.**

If you have any questions concerning this memorandum, contact Cindy Krieger at [cynthia.krieger@state.mn.us](mailto:cynthia.krieger@state.mn.us)