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July 30, 2013

Ms. Jean Keely, P.E.  
City Engineer  
City of Blaine  
10801 Town Square Drive NE  
Blaine, MN 55449

RE: MSA Route 131 (Xylite Street NE, Rice Creek Parkway and Flanders Street NE)  
MSA Route Revocation Payback Inquiry  
Blaine, MN

Dear Ms. Keely;

The City of Blaine used MSA funds to help construct MSA Route 131. As you indicated in your inquiry, if a route designation is removed and if MSA funds have been spent on a route, there must be a return of MSA funds for the remaining life of the improvements. The payback timeframe for a reconstruction project is 25 years. The payback timeframe for an overlay project is 10 years.

Our file search indicates there have been four projects that have used MSA funds on MSA Route 131. They are as follows:

106-131-001 Awarded in 1996 Complete Reconstruction **Payback (less than 25 years)**  
106-131-002 Awarded in 1997 Complete Reconstruction **Payback (less than 25 years)**  
106-131-003 Traffic Signal/Intersection revision **No Payback on intersection revision projects**  
106-131-004 Awarded in 1999 Overlay project **No Payback (over 10 years)**

The payback computations are as follows:

### Project 106-131-001

Flanders St.- 91<sup>st</sup> Avenue NE to 95<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE

Award Year 1996

Project Amount from State Aid \$274,981

Remaining Life 25 - (2013-1996)= 8 years of remaining life

**Payback =  $(8/25) * 274,981 = \$87,994$**

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**Project 106-131-002**

Xylite Street/Rice/Creek Parkway – 85<sup>th</sup> Avenue to intersection of Flanders Street & 91<sup>st</sup> Avenue

Award Year 1997

Project Amount from State Aid \$804,765

Remaining Life 25-(2013-1997) = 9 years of remaining life

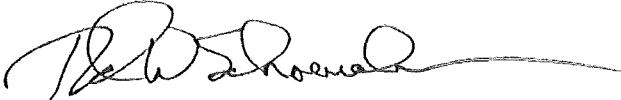
**Payback = (9/25) \* \$804,765 = \$289,715**

**Total Payback would be \$377,709**

If the City chose to revoke MSA Route 131, the total payback amount noted above would be paid short on your next pay request from State Aid. Please see State Aid Operational Rules 8820.0800 Subp. 3 for details on payback.

Let me know if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,



Ted Shoenecker, P.E.  
Metro District State Aid Engineer  
Metro District State Aid

cc: Julie Dresel, State Aid Program Engineer  
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Project File

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