

May 2, 2019

1200 New Jersey Ave., SE Washington, D.C. 20590

In Reply Refer To: HSST-1/B-321

Mr. Gerrit Dyke, P.E. Lindsay Transportation Solutions 180 River Road Rio Vista, CA 94571

Dear Mr. Dyke:

This letter is in response to your January 30, 2019 request for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to review a roadside safety device, hardware, or system for eligibility for reimbursement under the Federal-aid highway program. This FHWA letter of eligibility is assigned FHWA control number B-321 and is valid until a subsequent letter is issued by FHWA that expressly references this device.

# Decision

The following devices are eligible, with details provided in the form which is attached as an integral part of this letter:

• QuickChange Moveable Barrier Concrete Reactive Tension System – Fiber Series (QMB-CRTS-F) Transition

## Scope of this Letter

To be found eligible for Federal-aid funding, new roadside safety devices should meet the crash test and evaluation criteria contained in the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials' Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH). However, the FHWA, the Department of Transportation, and the United States Government do not regulate the manufacture of roadside safety devices. Eligibility for reimbursement under the Federal-aid highway program does not establish approval, certification or endorsement of the device for any particular purpose or use.

This letter is not a determination by the FHWA, the Department of Transportation, or the United States Government that a vehicle crash involving the device will result in any particular outcome, nor is it a guarantee of the in-service performance of this device. Proper manufacturing, installation, and maintenance are required in order for this device to function as tested.

This finding of eligibility is limited to the crashworthiness of the system and does not cover other structural features, nor conformity with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

# **Eligibility for Reimbursement**

Based solely on a review of crash test results and certifications submitted by the manufacturer, and the crash test laboratory, FHWA agrees that the device described herein meets the crash test and evaluation criteria of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials' Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware (MASH). Therefore, the device is eligible for reimbursement under the Federal-aid highway program if installed under the range of tested conditions.

Name of system: QuickChange Moveable Barrier Concrete Reactive Tension System – Fiber Series (QMB- CRTS-F) Transition Type of system: Longitudinal Barrier Transition Test Level: MASH Test Level 3 (TL3) Testing conducted by: Safe Technologies, Inc. Date of request: January 30, 2019

FHWA concurs with the recommendation of the accredited crash testing laboratory as stated within the attached form for concrete surfaces only.

# **Full Description of the Eligible Device**

The device and supporting documentation, including reports of the crash tests or other testing done, videos of any crash testing, and/or drawings of the device, are described in the attached form.

# Notice

FHWA's determination of continued eligibility for the modified hardware will be based on whether the modified hardware will continue to meet the relevant crash test criteria.

Any user or agency relying on this eligibility letter is expected to use the same designs, specifications, drawings, installation and maintenance instructions as those submitted for review.

You are expected to certify to potential users that the hardware furnished has the same chemistry, mechanical properties, and geometry as that submitted for review, and that it will meet the test and evaluation criteria of the MASH.

Issuance of this letter does not convey property rights of any sort or any exclusive privilege. This letter is based on the premise that information and reports submitted by you are accurate and correct. We reserve the right to modify or revoke this letter if: (1) there are any inaccuracies in the information submitted in support of your request for this letter, (2) the qualification testing was flawed, (3) in-service performance or other information reveals safety problems, (4) the system is significantly different from the version that was crash tested, or (5) any other information indicates that the letter was issued in error or otherwise does not reflect full and complete information about the crashworthiness of the system.

# **Standard Provisions**

• To prevent misunderstanding by others, this letter of eligibility designated as FHWA control number B-309 shall not be reproduced except in full. This letter and the test documentation upon which it is based are public information. All such letters and documentation may be

reviewed upon request.

- This letter shall not be construed as authorization or consent by the FHWA to use, manufacture, or sell any patented system for which the applicant is not the patent holder.
- If the subject device is a patented product it may be considered to be proprietary. If proprietary systems are specified by a highway agency for use on Federal-aid projects: (a) they must be supplied through competitive bidding with equally suitable unpatented items; (b) the highway agency must certify that they are essential for synchronization with the existing highway facilities or that no equally suitable alternative exists; or (c) they must be used for research or for a distinctive type of construction on relatively short sections of road for experimental purposes. Our regulations concerning proprietary products are contained in Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 635.411.

Sincerely yours,

Michael S. Juffith

Michael S. Griffith Director, Office of Safety Technologies Office of Safety

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# Request for Federal Aid Reimbursement Eligibility of Highway Safety Hardware

	Date of Request:	January 30, 2019	⊂ New	Resubmission
	Name:	Gerrit A. Dyke, P.E.	*	
ter	Company:	Lindsay Transportation Solutions, Inc.		
mit	Address:	180 River Road, Rio Vista, CA 94571		
Sut	Country:	United States of America		
	To:	Michael S. Griffith, Director FHWA, Office of Safety Technologies	×	

I request the following devices be considered eligible for reimbursement under the Federal-aid highway program.

<b>Device &amp; Testing</b>	Criterion	<ul> <li>Enter from</li> </ul>	right to	left starting	with Test Leve
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System Type	Submission Type	Device Name / Variant	Testing Criterion	Test Level
'B': Rigid/Semi-Rigid Barriers (Roadside, Median, Bridge Railings)	Physical Crash Testing Engineering Analysis	QuickChange Moveable Barrier Concrete Reactive Tension System - Fiber Series (QMB- CRTS-F)	AASHTO MASH	TL3

By submitting this request for review and evaluation by the Federal Highway Administration, I certify that the product(s) was (were) tested in conformity with the AASHTO Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware and that the evaluation results meet the appropriate evaluation criteria in the MASH.

### Individual or Organization responsible for the product:

Contact Name:	Gerrit A. Dyke, P.E.	Same as Submitter 🔀
Company Name:	Lindsay Transportation Solutions, Inc.	Same as Submitter 🔀
Address:	180 River Road, Rio Vista, CA 94571	Same as Submitter 🔀
Country:	United States of America	Same as Submitter 🔀

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Enter below all disclosures of financial interests as required by the FHWA `Federal-Aid Reimbursement Eligibility Process for Safety Hardware Devices' document.

Safe Technologies, Inc. (STI) performs testing and analysis services for Lindsay Transportation Solutions, Inc. (LTS). STI is a wholly owned subsidiary of LTS. STI is a fully accredited crash test facility to ISO 17025 by A2LA and is recognized by the US Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to perform full scale crash tests per NCHRP Report 350 and MASH criteria.

The STI laboratory manager, technicians, and laborers are compensated by LTS for salaries and wages. STI and staff does not receive any incentives, compensation, commissions, or professional fees corresponding to the outcome of any testing or analysis.

STI or staff does not receive any research funding or other research support from LTS. STI and staff also do not have any financial interest in patents, copyrights, or other intellectual property associated with the products they test or analyze.

KARCO Engineering, LLC. was contracted by LTS to collaborate with STI for this testing program. KARCO provided guidance, recommendations, and suggestions for testing and reporting practices. KARCO reviewed test data and reports to ensure accuracy and correct representation of test parameters and results. KARCO nor any KARCO employee has any financial interest in LTS, STI, or the product being tested.

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# PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

New Hardware or	Modification to	
Significant Modification	<sup>(</sup> Existing Hardware	

-The Concrete Reactive Tension System Fiber Series (CRTS-F) is a fiber and steel reinforced concrete barrier connected end to end with tensioning hinge mechanisms and steel pins. Each barrier segment is approximately 39 in [1.0 m] and weighs approximately 1435 lb (650 kg). The barrier is 18 in [460 mm] wide. -The CRTS-F system can be utilized with or without VLBs. VLB positioning is configured in accordance with the requirements of the barrier application. Typical VLB spacing is 1 in 17 CRTS-F barrier segments or fewer, however, some applications may require more.

-The length of need tests, 3-10 (TTI Crash Test No. 690900-LTS5) and 3-11 (TTI Crash Test No. 690900-LTS6) for CRTS-F were performed by Texas Transportation Institute (TTI) and have demonstrated acceptable performance in accordance with MASH 2016.

-Some applications may require a transition to permanent or fixed barrier or other fixed roadside hardware. This request for eligibility of reimbursement of federal funds is for a crash worthy transition of CRTS-F to fixed barrier systems.

-The transition consists of typical CRTS-F barrier segments and VLBs anchored to the roadway in a prescribed method. A steel transition structure provides the shape transition between the CRTS-F and fixed barrier geometries. Steel brackets are used to facilitate the anchorage of CRTS-F segments to the roadway using mechanical or adhesive anchors.

-MASH testing was conducted using a portable safety shaped concrete barrier anchored to the roadway to represent a permanent or fixed rigid barrier. To accommodate variations in barrier profiles, the steel transition structure may be altered to fit. The steel transition structure shall maintain equivalent or greater structural composition and material properties.

-Markings may be stamped into the steel transition structure for identification, quality assurance, and tracking. In some cases, a metal identification tag may be fastened to the barrier.

# **CRASH TESTING**

By signature below, the Engineer affiliated with the testing laboratory, agrees in support of this submission that all of the critical and relevant crash tests for this device listed above were conducted to meet the MASH test criteria. The Engineer has determined that no other crash tests are necessary to determine the device meets the MASH criteria.

Engineer Name:	Joseph Nagy		
Engineer Signature:	Joseph Nagy	Digitally sign Date: 2019.0	ed by Joseph Nagy 3.29 16:57:38 -07'00'
Address:	170 River Road, Rio Vista, CA 94571		Same as Submitter 🗌
Country:	United States of America		Same as Submitter 🗌

A brief description of each crash test and its result:

Required Test Number	Narrative Description	Evaluation Results
3-10 (1100C)	Reference TTI Crash Test No. 690900-LTS5 (Prior submittal)	PASS
3-11 (2270P)	Reference TTI Crash Test No. 690900-LTS6 (Prior Submittal)	PASS
3-20 (1100C)	Optional test not conducted	Non-Critical, not conducted

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Required Test Number	Narrative Description	Evaluation Results
Required Test Number 3-21 (2270P)	Narrative Description The CRTS-F Transition was judged to have successfully met all of the evaluation criteria for MASH Test 3-21 for longitudinal barriers. The Transition satisfied the MASH structural adequacy criteria for its intended function as a longitudinal barrier. The test article redirected the 2270P vehicle in a controlled manner. The vehicle did not penetrate, underride, or override the installation. The test article exhibited controlled permanent and dynamic deflection in the test. All of the occupant risk criteria were satisfied in testing the CRTS-F Transition. Theoretical OIVs in the longitudinal and lateral directions were well below the preferred limit of 30.0 ft/s (9.1 m/s). Ridedown accelerations in the longitudinal and lateral directions were below the prefered limit of 15 G. No detached components posed a threat to the occupant compartment, other vehicles, pedestrians or personnel in a work zone. There was minimal deformation to the occupant compartment of the 2270P vehicle. There was no intrusion into the	PASS
×	occupant compartment. The test vehicle remained upright during and after the collision with moderate roll and pitch. The CRTS-F Transition was judged as satisfying the applicable MASH vehicle trajectory criteria	

Full Scale Crash Testing was done in compliance with MASH by the following accredited crash test laboratory (cite the laboratory's accreditation status as noted in the crash test reports.):

Laboratory Name:	Safe Technologies, Inc.		
Laboratory Signature:	Joseph Nagy	Digitally sign Date: 2019.03	ed by Joseph Nagy 3.29 16:59:48 -07'00'
Address:	170 River Road, Rio Vista, CA 94571		Same as Submitter 🗌
Country:	United States of America		Same as Submitter 🗌
Accreditation Certificate Number and Dates of current Accreditation period :	A2LA 1851.01 Valid to March 31, 2020		

Submitter Signature\*: Gerrit Dyke Digitally signed by Gerrit Dyke Date: 2019.03.29 17:00:27

Submit Form

# ATTACHMENTS

Attach to this form:

1) Additional disclosures of related financial interest as indicated above.

- 2) A copy of the full test report, video, and a Test Data Summary Sheet for each test conducted in support of this request.
- 3) A drawing or drawings of the device(s) that conform to the Task Force-13 Drawing Specifications [Hardware Guide Drawing Standards]. For proprietary products, a single isometric line drawing is usually acceptable to illustrate the product, with detailed specifications, intended use, and contact information provided on the reverse. Additional drawings (not in TF-13 format) showing details that are relevant to understanding the dimensions and performance of the device should also be submitted to facilitate our review.

FHWA Official Business Only:

Eligibility Letter			
Number	Date	Key Words	
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### **General Information**

Test Agency	SAFE TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
Test Number	NPD321-C1
Test Designation	MASH 3-21
Date	11/1/2018
Test Article	
Name	CRTS-F Barrier
Туре	Longitudinal Movable Barrier Transition
Installation Length	. 328 1/2 ft (100.1 m)
Transition Length	. 26 ft (7.92 m)
Width	25 1/2 in (648 mm)
Height	32 3/4 in (832 mm)
Test Vehicle	
Type / Designation	2270P
Make and Model	. 2012 Dodge Ram 1500
Curb Weight	4,863 lb (2,206 kg)
Test Inertial Weight	4,991 lb (2,264 kg)
Gross Static Weight	4,991 lb (2,264 kg)
Impact Conditions	
Speed	62.5 mph (100.6 km/h)
Angle	25 deg
Location / Orientation	CIP at midpoint of barrier segment 87
Exit Conditions	
Speed	. 36.4 mph (58.5 km/h)
Angle	12 deg
Exit Box Criterion	Pass

#### Post Impact Trajectory

Vehicle Stability	Satisfactory
Longitudinal Stopping Distance (CG)	102.2 ft (31.2 m)
Vehicle Snagging/Pocketing	Moderate
Occupant Risk Values	
Longitudinal OIV	19.7 ft/s (6.0 m/s)
Lateral OIV	20.3 ft/s (6.2 m/s)
Longitudinal ORA	8.5 G
Lateral ORA	14.8 G
THIV	28.5 ft/s (8.7 m/s)
PHD	16.7 G
ASI	1.24
Test Article Damage:	Moderate
Test Article Deflections	
Permanent Lateral Deflection	40.5 in ( 102.9 cm)
Dynamic Lateral Deflection	42.1 in (106.9 cm)
Working Width	60.1 in (152.7 cm), no debris was
	expelled above the test article
Debris Field	
Longitudinal	36 ft (11.0 m)
Lateral	37 ft (11.3 m)
Vehicle Damage	
VDS	11-LFQ-4
CDC	11LFES2
Maximum Deformation	1 1/4 in (31.8 mm) - driver side
	roof and passenger side front panel



# INTENDED USE

The Concrete Reactive Tension<sup>®</sup> QuickChange<sup>®</sup> Moveable Barrier System Fiber Series (CRTS-F) is a MASH TL-3 longitudinal barrier capable of rapid lateral transfer by a transfer vehicle. The CRTS-F is designed to meet the rigid requirements of deployment in moveable barrier applications where positive separation is required, and where lane widths and lateral space are limited.

The CRTS-F is a steel and fiber-reinforced concrete barrier connected end to end with tensioning hinge mechanisms and grooved steel pins. Each barrier segment is approximately 39 in [1.0 m] in length and weighs approximately 1435 lb [650 kg]. The barrier is 18 in [457 mm] wide. Steel variable length barriers (VLB) are used in conjunction with the concrete segments. The system is applicable to asphalt or concrete road surface. Some applications may require a transition to permanent or fixed barrier or other fixed roadside hardware.

The CRTS-F transition consists of typical CRTS-F barrier segments in accordance with eligibility letter HSST-1/B-277 anchored to the roadway in a prescribed method. A steel transition structure provides the shape transition between the CRTS-F and fixed barrier geometries. Steel brackets are used to facilitate the anchorage of CRTS-F segments to the roadway using mechanical or adhesive anchors.

MASH testing was conducted using a portable safety shaped concrete barrier anchored to the roadway to represent a permanent or fixed rigid barrier. To accommodate variations in barrier profiles, the steel transition structure may be altered to fit. The steel transition structure shall maintain equivalent or greater structural composition and material properties.

### APPROVALS

The Concrete Reactive Tension® QuickChange® Moveable Barrier System Fiber Series Transition (CRTS-F Transition) has been fully tested in corformance with MASH 2016 Test Level 3 and determined eligible for federal reimbursement by the FHWA.

FHWA Eligibility Letter: TBD

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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