

June 24, 2002

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**Ms. Maggie Ellis
General Manager
Mondo Polymer technologies, Inc.
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Dear Ms. Ellis:

In response to your May 24 request to Mr. Richard Powers of my staff, please be advised that the addition of a second 7/8-inch diameter bolt hole, adjacent to the first, with the two holes on 2.25-inch centers, will not change the crashworthy status of your Mondo Block as noted in FHWA's March 27, 2002 acceptance letter.

Also, the use of a longer block with Thrie-beam guardrail is acceptable as long as the openings in your block remain approximately the same size and the additional 8 inches needed for the wider Thrie-beam are comprised of mostly solid material.

Sincerely yours,

(original signed by Harry W. Taylor)

for

Carol H. Jacoby, P.E.

Director, Office of safety Design