This is to inform you that the IDOT Geotechnical Manual (last revised in 1999) is now available online for all users.

Please note that, as of March 1, 2005, the responsibility for revision and maintenance of the Manual has been transferred from the Bureau of Materials and Physical Research (BMPR) to the Bureau of Bridges and Structures (BBS). This has come as a result of consolidating the geotechnical engineers at BMPR with those already at BBS to form a new Central Geotechnical Unit (CGU) within the BBS. The CGU will be responsible for coordinating efforts by the districts’ geotechnical engineers and the central bureaus concerning all statewide geotechnical issues.

In this regard, we ask you to please replace any references made in the current Manual to: 1) Bureau of Materials and Physical Research by the Bureau of Bridges and Structures, 2) BMPR by BBS, and 3) Geotechnical Engineer by Central Geotechnical Unit Chief.

You will be notified of any future revisions to the Manual through similar online AGMU memorandums which will be issued by the BBS.

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