PROPOSAL COVER SHEET – AIF RESEARCH INITIATIVE PROGRAM

(Note: Proposals for the AIF Research Initiative program should not exceed 10 pages. This page limit includes the cover, budget summary, and liability statement sheets, but not the letters of support/endorsement and the additional page following the cover sheet providing answers to the questions below)

For Use by AIF | Date Received | Proposal Number
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Title of Project: | [ ] Concept Exploration (Type 1) | [ ] Product Application (Type 2)
Title of Addressed RNS: | Project Duration __________ months | Number of Project Phases: ________
Submission Date: | Signed, unaltered, liability certification enclosed with the proposal | [ ] Yes [ ] No
Resubmission Yes[ ] No[ ]
Name/Address of Organization and Name of Official to be Contacted | Telephone and Fax Nos. | E-mail
AIF Budget $_________ + Cost Sharing $_________ = Total Project Cost $_________________________
Business Type | Size (Number of Employees) | [ ] <10 [ ] <100 [ ] <200 [ ] >200
[ ] Academic [ ] Profit [ ] Non-Profit
Name/Address of Principal Investigator | Telephone and Fax Nos. | Fax and E-Mail
Names of other Key Investigators

AIF Research Initiative Proposers:

Statement of Purpose:
Please do not delete or write in this box. On a page following this cover page, please provide separate answers to each of the following three questions. Please do not rephrase or combine the questions and be clear and concise in your answers (one page maximum):

1. Which AIF Research Initiative proposed problem statements is the subject of this proposal?
2. How could the proposed research affect the future state of practice for the addressed RNS?
3. How are the research deliverables strategic to the future of the asphalt industry?

Note: The page with answers to the above questions will not be counted in the 10-page limit for the full proposal. The letters of support or endorsement from collaborating public agencies or private industry also will not be counted in the 10-page limit.
# AIF RESEARCH INITIATIVE BUDGET SUMMARY (ONE FOR EACH PHASE)

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*Please complete a separate copy of this form for each phase of the project*

## FUNDING REQUESTED FROM AIF RESEARCH INITIATIVE PROGRAM FOR THIS PHASE:

**PERSONNEL:**

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Subtotal: $ _______ $ _______

**CONSULTANTS AND SUBCONTRACTORS:** (specify)

Subtotal: $ _______ $ _______

**MATERIALS & EQUIPMENT:** (indicate items exceeding $1,000)

Subtotal: $ _______ $ _______

**OTHER DIRECT COSTS:** (specify)

Subtotal: $ _______ $ _______

**OVERHEAD COSTS:** ( %) $ _______ $ _______

**GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE:** ( %) $ _______ $ _______

**Phase Total Cost:** $ _______ $ _______

## PROPOSED COST SHARING (if any)

Direct (cash) contribution from proposing organization: $ _______

In-kind contribution from proposing organization: $ _______

Direct funding from other sources (specify): $ _______

Value of staff, etc., contributed by other sources: $ _______

**Phase Total Budget:** $ _______

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________
CONTRACTOR LIABILITY

(a) The parties agree that the contractor and its employees and agents ("Contractor") will be responsible for performing the work required under the contract, and shall therefore be legally responsible for, and shall indemnify and hold the Foundation harmless for all claims asserted against the Foundation, its affiliates and their respective committee members, officers, directors, employees, and agents, by any third parties, whether or not represented by a final judgment, if such claims arise out of or in connection with Contractor's negligent or wrongful acts in performing such work, including without limitation all claims for bodily injury, death, personal injury, property damage, and other losses, liabilities, costs, and expenses (including without limitation attorney’s fees) (collectively, “Losses”).

(b) The term "wrongful act" as used herein shall include any tortious act or omission, willful misconduct, failure to comply with Federal or state governmental requirements, infringement of any copyright, trademark, patent or other intellectual property or proprietary right, libel, slander or other defamatory or disparaging statement in any written deliverable required under the contract, or any false or negligent statement or omission made by Contractor in its proposal to the Foundation.

(c) The obligations in paragraph (a) of this clause to indemnify and hold harmless the Foundation shall not extend to claims, damages, losses, liabilities, costs, and expenses to the extent they result directly from the wrongful acts or omissions of the Foundation, its committee members, officers, employees, and agents.

(d) Both the Foundation and Contractor shall give prompt notice to each other upon learning of the assertion of any claim, or the commencement of any action or proceeding, in respect of which a claim under this paragraph may be sought, specifying, if known, the facts pertaining thereto and an estimate of the amount of the liability arising therefrom, but no failure to give such notice shall relieve the Foundation or Contractor of any liability hereunder except to the extent actual prejudice is suffered thereby.

(e) The Foundation and Contractor agree to cooperate with each other in the defense of any claim, action, or legal proceeding arising out of or resulting from Contractor's performance of the work required under this contract, but each party shall control its own defense. The Foundation shall also have the option in its sole discretion to permit Contractor or its insurance carrier to assume the defense of any such claims against the Foundation, but in no event will Contractor agree to the settlement of any claim without the consent of the Foundation.

(f) The obligations under this clause survive the termination, expiration, or completion of performance under this contract.