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| **4** Name of Document Incorporated by Reference: | *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), 2003, revised 2007* |

| **5** Attach a summary of the document incorporated by reference, including publication date and a copy of the cover page. | *See attachments* |

| **6** Document available for inspection at the following location: | *Va. Dept. of Transportation*
*Traffic Engineering Division*
*1401 E. Broad St.*
*Richmond, Va. 23219* |

| **7** Copy of referenced document may be procured from: | *Superintendent of Documents*
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*P. O. Box 371954*
*Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954*
*http://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov/* |

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SUMMARY OF DOCUMENT INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

The 2003 edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), published by the U.S. Government, contains specifications (e.g. location, color, size, etc.) and other information concerning signs, signals, markings, and other control devices placed on, over, or adjacent to a street or highway. VDOT is obligated by federal law to follow minimum standards of the MUTCD by Title 23, USC §§ 109(b), 109(d), and 402 (a), or it may develop its own standards.

The U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration sanctioned and adopted the 2003 edition of the MUTCD on November 20, 2003, with the effective date of the final rule being December 22, 2003. The Commonwealth Transportation Board of Virginia adopted the 2003 edition of the MUTCD and any revisions on March 17, 2005. This latest edition is now the standard for all highways under the jurisdiction of the Virginia Department of Transportation for maintenance operations, and beginning no later than December 22, 2005 for project advertisements, with one exception. The one exception is Part 6, Temporary Traffic Control, which has been replaced by the 2005 Virginia Work Area Protection Manual (WAPM) effective May - 2005. Adoption of the 2003 MUTCD does not affect the status of the 1980 edition of the Virginia Supplement to the MUTCD, which remains in effect. The 2003 MUTCD will be used in cooperation with those manuals. If there is a conflict between the 2003 federal manual and the 1980 Virginia Supplement, the federal manual shall have precedence. Revisions to the 2005 Virginia Work Area Protection Manual or future editions will override Part 6 of the MUTCD upon acceptance by the Federal Highway Administration.

The FHWA published revisions to the MUTCD in 2007.
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