

August 12, 2020

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

In Reply Refer To: HSST-1/WZ-418

Mr. Craig Schulz Pexco, LLC 3110 70th Ave. East, Tacoma, WA 98424 USA

Federal Highway Administration

Dear Mr. Schulz:

This letter is in response to your May 14, 2020 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 WZ-418 and is valid until a subsequent letter is issued by FHWA that expressly references this device.

### **Decision**

The following device is eligible within the length-of-need, with details provided in the form which is attached as an integral part of this letter:

• TPAR Longitudinal Channelizer

### **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'(AASHTO) 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 AASHTO's 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: TPAR Longitudinal Channelizer Type of system: Longitudinal Channelizer Test Level: MASH Test Level 3 (TL3) Testing conducted by: Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI) Date of request: May 14, 2020

FHWA concurs with the recommendation of the accredited crash testing laboratory on the attached form.

### 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**

This eligibility letter is issued for the subject device as tested. Modifications made to the device are not covered by this letter. Any modifications to this device should be submitted to the user (i.e., state DOT) as per their requirements.

You are expected to supply potential users with sufficient information on design, installation and maintenance requirements to ensure proper performance.

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 AASHTO's 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 WZ-418 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.
- This FHWA eligibility letter is not an expression of any Agency view, position, or determination of validity, scope, or ownership of any intellectual property rights to a specific device or design. Further, this letter does not impute any distribution or licensing rights to the requester. This FHWA eligibility letter determination is made based solely on the crash-testing information submitted by the requester. The FHWA reserves the right to review and revoke an earlier eligibility determination after receipt of subsequent information related to crash testing.

Sincerely,

Michael S. Friffith

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

Enclosures

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	Date of Request:	May 14, 2020	New	Resubmission
	Name:	Craig Schulz		
tter	Company:	Pexco, LLC		
omit	Address:	3110 70th Ave. East, Tacoma, WA 98424		
Suł	Country:	USA		
	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.

Device & Testing Criterion	! !	-!-!		
System Type	Submission Type	Device Name / Variant	Testing Criterion	Test Level
WZ:CrashWorthyWorkZon ZoneTrafficControl Devices	<ul> <li>Physical Crash Testing</li> <li>Engineering Analysis</li> </ul>	TPARLongitudinal Channelizer	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:	Craig Schulz	Same asSubmitter $\bigotimes$		
Company Name:	Pexco, LLC	Same asSubmitter $\boxtimes$		
Address:	3110 70th Ave. East, Tacoma, WA 98424	Same asSubmitter		
Country:	USA	Same asSubmitter		
Enter below all disclosures of financial interests as required by the FHWA `Federal-Aid Reimbursement Eligibility Process for Safety Hardware Devices' document.				
Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI) was contracted by Pexco, LLC- Corporate Office, 6470EJohnsCrossing, Duluth, GA 30097 - with manufacturing sitesacross the country ("PEXCO") to perform full-scale crash testing of the TPARLongitudinal Channelizer. There are no shared financial interests in the TPARLongitudinal Channelizer by TTI, or between PEXCOand TTI, other than costs involved in the actual crash tests of the TPARLongitudinal Channelizer to established MASH protocols and reports for this submission to FHWA.				

# PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

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• New Hardware or Significant Modification	Modification to Existing Hardware				
The Pexco Temporary Pedestriar to use standard barricade compo compliant with ADA standards a work zone.	The Pexco Temporary Pedestrian AccessRoute (TPAR) longitudinal channelizer was designed and developed to use standard barricade components that are readily available for standard Type III barricades. The design is compliant with ADA standards and the MUTCD for a device to guide or channelize pedestrianssafely through a work zone.				
The test installation consisted of long, 36 inches tall, and 14 inche	198 ft long (33 assembled) barricades. Each barricade s wide x 14 inches wide, with one 30 pound sand bag p	measured 72 inches laces on each foot.			
The TPAR is comprised of thre	ee major components:				
- The barricade boards are Pexco panels - two are needed for each	o's standard 1 inch x 8.2 inch x 72 inch long (HDPE) High n assembly. Panels are pre-drilled for easy assembly.	Density Polyethylene			
- The uprights for the assembly a Chloride, pre-drilled for easy ass	- The uprights for the assembly are 1.75 inch x 1.75 inch hollow X-Tubes made from (RPVC) Rigid Polyvinyl Chloride, pre-drilled for easy assembly.				
Each Assembled Barricade system weighsaround 10 pounds when fully assembled, without the foot.					
- The steel foot isshared by two assembled barricades, it is 14" square made from 1/4" plate steel, with two sockets welded to the foot to receive the uprights. Each foot weighs approximately 15.2 pounds.					
Steel hardware is used to secure the boards to the posts and a quick release pin is used to secure the posts in the steel feet.					
	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:	Nathan D. Schulz				
Engineer Signature:	Nathan D. Schulz	ed by Nathan D. Schulz 05.12 14:55:42 -05'00'			
Address:	TTI, TAMU 3135, College Station, TX 77843-3135	Same asSubmitter			
Country: A brief description of each cra	USA sh test and its result:	Same asSubmitter			

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Required Test Number	Narrative Description	Evaluation Results
Required Test Number 3-90 (1100C)	Narrative Description Test 3-90 involves an 1100C vehicle impacting the TPAR longitudinal channelizer at a target impact speed of 62 mi/h and target impact angle between 0° and 25°. The selected critical impact angle was 10°. The results of the test conducted on November 8, 2019, are found in TTI Test Report No. 690900-PEX-17&18 dated February 2020. The test vehicle was traveling at an impact speed of 61.5 mi/h when it contacted the TPAR longitudinal channelizer at an impact angle of 10.4°. The TPAR longitudinal channelizer allowed the 1100C vehicle to penetrate the channelizer installation in a controlled manner. The vehicle came to rest 418 ft downstream of the impact and 70 ft toward the field side of the channelizer. The debris from the channelizer did not penetrate or show potential for penetrating the occupant compartment, or to present undue hazard to others in the area. No occupant compartment deformation or intrusion was observed.	PASS
	The 1100C vehicle remained upright during and after the collision event. Maximum roll and pitch angles were 5° and 4°.	
	Longitudinal OIV was 6.6 ft/s, and lateral OIV was 0.0 ft/s. Maximum longitudinal occupant ridedown acceleration was 0.7 g, and maximum lateral occupant ridedown acceleration was 0.8 g. Occupant risk factors were within the preferred limits in MASH.	
	The Pexco TPAR longitudinal channelizer performed acceptably for MASH Test 3-90.	

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Required Test Number	Narrative Description	Evaluation Results
	Test 3-91 involves an 2270P vehicle impacting the TPAR longitudinal channelizer at a target impact speed of 62 mi/h and target impact angle between 0° and 25°. The selected critical impact angle was 10°. The results of the test conducted on November 8, 2019, are found in TTI Test	
0.04 (0070D)	Report No. 690900-PEX-17&18 dated February 2020. The test vehicle was traveling at an impact speed of 62.5 mi/h when it contacted the TPAR longitudinal channelizer at an impact angle of 9.9°. The TPAR longitudinal channelizer allowed the 2270P vehicle to penetrate the channelizer installation in a controlled manner. The vehicle came to rest 435 ft downstream of the impact and 69 ft toward the field side of the channelizer.	
3-91 (2270P)		PASS
	The debris from the channelizer did not penetrate or show potential for penetrating the occupant compartment, or to present undue hazard to others in the area. No occupant compartment deformation or intrusion was observed.	
	The 2270P vehicle remained upright during and after the collision event. Maximum roll and pitch angles were 7° and 2°.	
	Longitudinal OIV was 5.2 ft/s, and lateral OIV was 4.6 ft/s. Maximum longitudinal occupant ridedown acceleration was 0.5 g, and maximum lateral occupant ridedown acceleration was 1.8 g. Occupant risk factors were within the preferred limits in MASH.	
	The Pexco TPAR longitudinal channelizer performed acceptably for MASH Test 3-91.	

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.):

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Laboratory Name:	Texas A&M Transportation Institute		
Laboratory Signature:	Digitally signed by Darrell L. Kuhn 'Date: 2020.05.13 18:47:52 -05'00	LKulm	
Address:	TTI, TAMU 3135, College Station, TX 77843-3135	Same asSubmitter	
Country:	USA	Same asSubmitter	
Accreditation Certificate Number and Dates of current Accreditation period :	ISO 17025-2017 Laboratory A2LA Certificate Number 2821.01 Valid To: April 30, 2021		

Submitter Signature\*: Craig Schulz

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		Impact Conditions	Post-Impact Trajectory	
Test Agency	Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI)	Speed 61.5 mi/h	Stopping Distance 418 ft downstre	am
Test Standard Test No	MASH Test 3-90	Angle 10.4°	70 ft twd field s	ide
TTI Test No.	690900-PEX17	Location/Orientation Center of joint 7-8	Vehicle Stability	
Test Date	2019-11-08	Kinetic Energy	Maximum Yaw Angle 5°	
Test Article		Exit Conditions	Maximum Pitch Angle 4°	
	Longitudinal Channelizer, 36 inches tall	Speed undeterminable	Maximum Roll Angle 5°	
Name	TPAR Barricade System	Angle undeterminable		
Installation Length	198 ft	Occupant Risk Values	Test Article Debris Field	
Material or Key Elements	Two 72-inch × 8.2- inch ×0.85 inch thk	Longitudinal OIV	Longitudinal	
······	plastic planks supported by two RPVC	Lateral OIV 0.0 ft/s	Toward Traffic Side 21 ft	
	posts inserted into two fabricated steel	Longitudinal Ridedown 0.7 g	Toward Field Side 30 ft	
	bases with 14 gauge perforated steel	Lateral Ridedown 0.8 g		
	square tube sockets	THIV 21 m/s	Vehicle Damage	
Soil Type and Condition	Concrete Pavement, Damp	ASI 0.09	VDS 12ED1	
Test Vehicle	Senerete i avenient, Bamp	Max 0.050-s Average	CDC 12EDFW1	
Type/Designation	11000	Longitudinal -1.0 g	Max Exterior Deformation 0.75 inch	
Make and Model	2007 Kia Rio	Lateral 0.5 g		
Curb	2450 lb	Vertical 1.0 g	Max Occupant Compartment	
Test Inertial	2450 lb	Ventioal	Deformation None	
Dummy	165 lb		Delotifiation	
Gross Statio	2615 lb			
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Figure 5.6. Summary of Results for MASH Test 3-90 on TPAR Longitudinal Channelizer.



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General Information		Impact Conditions	Post-Impact Trajectory	
Test Agency	Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI)	Speed 62.5 mi/h	Stopping Distance	435 ft downstream
Test Standard Test No	MASH Test 3-91	Angle 9.9°		69 ft twd field side
TTI Test No	690900-PEX18	Location/Orientation 22.7 inches	Vehicle Stability	
Test Date	2019-11-08	upstream of joint 7-8	Maximum Yaw Angle	10°
Test Article		Kinetic Energy 657 kip-ft	Maximum Pitch Angle	2°
Туре	Longitudinal Channelizer, 36 inches tall	Exit Conditions	Maximum Roll Angle	7°
Name	TPAR Barricade System	Speedundeterminable		
Installation Length	198 ft	Angle undeterminable	Test Article Debris Field	
Material or Key Elements	Two 72-inch ×8.2- inch ×0.85 inch thk	Occupant Risk Values	Longitudinal	261 ft
	plastic planks supported by two RPVC	Longitudinal OIV 5.2 ft/s	Toward Traffic Side	36 ft
	posts inserted into two, fabricated steel	Lateral OIV 4.6 ft/s	Toward Field Side	60 ft
	bases with 14 gauge perforated steel	Longitudinal Ridedown 0.5 g		
	square tube sockets	Lateral Ridedown 1.8 g	Vehicle Damage	
Soil Type and Condition	Concrete Pavement, Damp	THIV 2.0 m/s	VDS	12FD1
Test Vehicle		ASI 0.17	CDC	12FDEW1
Type/Designation	2270P	Max. 0.050-s Average	Max. Exterior Deformation	None
Make and Model	2013 RAM 1500 Pickup	Longitudinal0.7 g	OCDI	FS000000
Curb	4988 lb	Lateral1.2 g	Max. Occupant Compartment	
Test Inertial	5030 lb	Vertical 1.7 g	Deformation	None
Dummy	No dummy			
Gross Static	5030 lb			

Figure 6.6. Summary of Results for MASH Test 3-91 on TPAR Longitudinal Channelizer.





**APPENDIX A. DETAILS OF PEXCO TPAR** 







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