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## Memorandum

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Subject:	Buy America Data Base - Guardrail

The Buy America Database was created in an effort to track specific heats of guardrail being used on multiple projects. It increased awareness of required certifications both internally and within the industry, but the data has proven to be of limited use.

Effective immediately, entry of data into the Buy America Database for guardrail is no longer necessary. The existing information will be retained and the database will be available for reactivation if the need arises.

The work put into quickly creating and entering data into the database is appreciated. The effort was necessary and has proven effective in correcting a serious issue within our program.

Please direct any questions on this issue to Mark Gates at 444-6162 or Scott Barnes at 444-6267.

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