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Dear Doug:

As you know, I've been Commissioner of Public Works for Schoharie County for the past two years. Previous to that, I served as Deputy Commissioner of Engineering from 1980.

Many of the roads in Schoharie County suffer from soft spots and wheel rutting due to the clay found throughout the County. Many tax dollars are spent annually repairing the effects of this clay on our road system. We have tried several methods of construction of the roadbed to overcome the adverse effects of the clay with varying results. In several cases, we were never really able to stabilize the subgrade for a substantial period of time.

A few years ago, you offered to stabilize a "test section" with a new product called EN-1. We were skeptical, to say the least, and chose an area on Cotton Hill Road, CR 66, that had been giving us maintenance headaches for years. Each spring, a quarter of a mile stretch of this road would soften and the pavement would fracture completely. Several times, heavy vehicles such as log trucks and school buses actually broke through the pavement and became stuck in the mud.

To test your new product's effectiveness, we only topped the "test section" with a double seal, not a heavy pavement section. Today, this section of road is extremely stable with no wheel ruts or cracking evident anywhere. EN-1 truly works.

We were so impressed with this product that we are routinely using it each year to rebuild problem sections of road throughout our County. Your current method of mixing Portland Cement into the road along with the EN-1 increases the strength considerably.

The benefits we realize are a stronger, smoother and safer roadway for the traveling public, along with greatly reduced maintenance costs to the taxpayer. We are ecstatic with this product.

Very truly yours,

Wayne M. Palmatier
Commissioner of Public Works

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