

SPECIAL PROVISION

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1. All steel and iron items shall be manufactured and any required coating applied in the United States. The coating materials are not subject to this clause, only the application of the coating. United States includes the 50 United States, Puerto Rico and any place subject to the jurisdiction thereof.
2. Products of steel include, but are not limited to, such products as structural steel, piles, guardrail, reinforcement steel, structural plate, steel supports for signs, luminaries and signals, steel products for utilities constructions and engines and electrical generators for traffic signal central power systems.
3. Products of iron include, but are not limited to, such products as iron frames, covers, grates, ladder rungs and iron products for utilities constructions.
4. Application of coatings includes but is not limited to, such applications as epoxy, galvanization and paint.
5. Ore for the manufacture of steel or iron may be from outside the United States; however, all other manufacturing processes of steel or iron shall be performed in the United States.
6. The Contractor shall submit the following certificate attesting to the quality of the material provided and its origin or will cause such a certificate to be supplied by his subcontractors or suppliers. The certificate shall include as a minimum the following:

**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE AND ORIGIN
FOR MANUFACTURED OR FABRICATED STEEL
OR IRON MATERIALS**

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that (description of material)

Furnished to: (Name of Contractor or Subcontractor)

For use in: (Project name)

With Federal-aid Number: and PRHTA number:

In the quantity of (Quantity represented by this certificate)

Conforms to (List ASTM, AASHTO or other applicable specifications)

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Produced by: (Name of manufacturer) and manufactured at: (Location)

Identified by: (Label, seal or batch number)

and shipped via: (Consignment or waybill)

meets the requirements of the project plans, specifications and special provisions of the Puerto Rico Highway and Transportation Authority in all respects, processing, product testing, inspection control and origin.

Exceptions to the material requirements are as follows: (list all aspects in which the product does not comply with the contractual requirements. Attachment of manufacturer brochure is not acceptable and exceptions are to be listed independently in the certificate).

In addition, we certify that all steel and iron manufacturing processes and coating applications have been performed in the United States.

All records and documents pertinent to this certificate and not submitted herewith will be maintained available at (provide address at which records will be maintained) by the undersigned for a period of not less than five years from (expected completion date of the project).

Signed by:

Title:

7. This document must be signed by a person having the legal authority for binding the Contractor, Subcontractor or Supplier.
8. The document shall be submitted in triplicate prior to or at the time of delivery.
9. The Authority may sample and test materials covered by such certification at its discretion to ascertain the validity of certificates.
10. No materials will be incorporated into the project, nor direct or materials on hand payments made until the Contractor has submitted and the Authority approved the appropriate materials of origin and compliance.