

Illinois Department of Transportation  
Bureau of Materials and Physical Research  
**APPROVED LIST OF HIGH TENSION CABLE MEDIAN BARRIER.**  
and  
**HIGH TENSION CABLE MEDIAN BARRIER TERMINALS**  
**March 23, 2012**

**This list supersedes the November 12, 2010 list.**  
Special Provision for High Tension Cable Median Barrier (April 1, 2009)  
Material Codes 55603 and 55604

The following four systems may only be used where median slopes are 1:6 or flatter as shown in the plans:

**HIGH TENSION CABLE MEDIAN BARRIER**

Gibraltar  
320 Southland Road  
Burnet, Texas 78611  
Phone (800) 495-8957  
Producer/Supplier No: 6350-01  
<http://www.gibraltartx.com/>

**GIBRALTAR TL-4 CABLE BARRIER SYSTEM**

As tested and accepted according to  
FHWA Acceptance Memo HSSD/B-137D dated February 8, 2008.

Four cable system with four point anchorage.  
Post spacing = 10 to 15 feet as required by the contract. See also  
Acceptance Memo HSA-10/137B dated April 3, 2006. (15 foot spacing  
limit set by IDOT below tested limiting condition.)

Brifen USA  
12501 North Santa Fe Ave.  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73114  
Phone (866) 427-4336  
Producer/Supplier No: 6319-01  
<http://www.brifenusa.com/>

**BRIFEN WIRE ROPE SAFETY FENCE (TL-4)**

As tested and accepted according to  
FHWA Acceptance Memo HSA-10/B82-B, dated March 27, 2005.

Post spacing = 10.5 feet.

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Trinity Highway Safety Products  
2525 North Stemmons Freeway  
Dallas, Texas 75207  
Phone (800) 527-6050  
Producer/Supplier No: 2214-02 (Ft. Worth, Texas)  
2214-06 (Girard, Ohio)  
<http://www.highwayguardrail.com/>

**CABLE SAFETY SYSTEM (CASS S3)**

As tested and accepted according to  
FHWA Acceptance Memo HSSD/B-141F dated October 1, 2010.

Four cable system.  
Minimum post spacing = 10 ft. 6 in. Maximum post spacing = 15 feet.

Nucor Steel Marion, Inc.  
912 Cheney Avenue  
Marion, Ohio 43302  
Phone (800) 333-4011  
Producer/Supplier No: 2394-15  
<http://www.nucorhighway.com/nu-cable.html>

**NU-CABLE TL-4 CABLE BARRIER**

With 4-inch vertical offset of top two cables

As tested and accepted according to FHWA Acceptance Memos  
HSSD/B-167 dated January 24, 2008, and HSSD/B-184 dated  
December 9, 2008.

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The following four systems are the only ones that may be used where median slopes are steeper than 1:6 and as steep as 1:4, as shown in the plans:

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<http://www.gibraltartx.com/>

**GIBALTAR TL-4 CABLE BARRIER SYSTEM**

With four point anchorage.

As tested and accepted on a 1:4 sloped median according to FHWA Acceptance Memo HSA-10/137C dated July 12, 2006 and FHWA Acceptance Memo HSSD/B-137D dated February 8, 2008.  
Post spacing = 15 feet.

Concrete foundations and sockets for posts shall be according to FHWA Acceptance Memo HAS-10/B-137A dated September 9, 2005, except that the concrete foundation depth shall be as required in the contract.

Note – This system consists of the TL-4 hardware with four point anchorage installed in the sloped median, and has been accepted by FHWA as meeting the TL-3 crash testing criteria.

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**BRIFEN WIRE ROPE SAFETY FENCE (TL-4 HARDWARE)**

As tested and accepted on a 1:4 sloped median.  
According to FHWA Acceptance Memo HSA-10/B82-B1, dated May 9, 2006.

Post spacing = 10.5 feet.  
Also according to FHWA Acceptance Memo HSA-10/82-B, dated March 27, 2005 for purposes of the transition from the TL-4 system to the TL-3 terminal. (continued on next page)

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Concrete foundations and sockets for posts shall be according to FHWA Acceptance Memo HAS-10/B-82B dated March 27, 2005, except that the concrete foundation depth shall be as required in the contract.

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**CABLE SAFETY SYSTEM (CASS S3 4:1)**

As tested and accepted according to FHWA Acceptance Memo HSSD/B-141F dated October 1, 2010.

Minimum post spacing = 10 ft 6 in. Maximum post spacing = 15 ft.

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**NU-CABLE 4-CABLE MEDIAN BARRIER on 1V:4H Slopes**

As tested and accepted according to FHWA Acceptance memo HSSD/B-193 (REVISED) dated July 27, 2009.

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The following terminals shall only be used with the cable barrier system indicated:

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**TL-3 TERMINAL FOR GIBRALTAR CABLE BARRIER**

As tested and accepted according to  
FHWA Acceptance Memo HSSD/B-137D dated February 8, 2008.

Four cable system with four point anchorage.  
See contract for design of anchors and for site soil conditions.

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**TL-3 TERMINAL FOR BRIFEN WIRE ROPE SAFETY FENCE**

As tested and accepted according to  
FHWA Acceptance Memo HSA-10/CC-86 dated January 28, 2004.

See contract for design of anchors and for site soil conditions.

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**FOUR STRAND CABLE GUARDRAIL TERMINAL**

As tested and accepted according to  
FHWA Acceptance Memo HSSD/B-157 dated April 23, 2007.

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**FOUR STRAND CABLE GUARDRAIL TERMINAL**

As tested and accepted according to  
FHWA Acceptance Memo HSSD/B-157 dated April 23, 2007.  
or  
[As tested and accepted according to  
FHWA Acceptance Memo HSSD/CC-98 dated April 9, 2007.](#)

See contract for design of anchors and for site soil conditions.

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