

# **56<sup>th</sup> Idaho Asphalt Conference**

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### **Performance Graded (PG) Asphalt Binder Modification - Lessons Learned With the Hamburg and MSCR**

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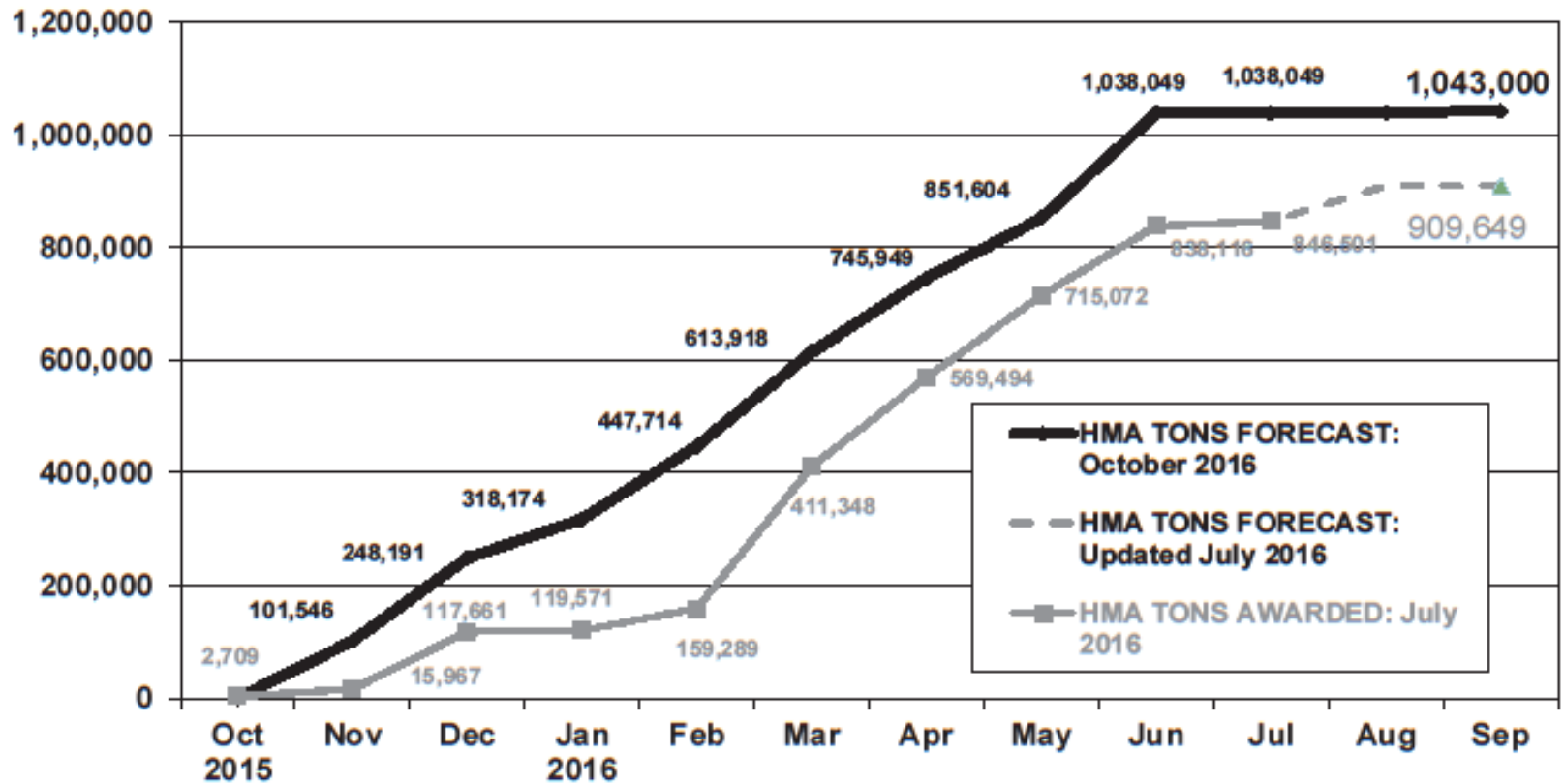
- Just the Facts
  - Connecting Washington Transportation Package
  - 16 Year, \$16 Billion Package
    - \$9.7 Billion, state and local road projects
    - \$1.4 Billion, highway maintenance, operations, preservation
  - 11.9¢ Gas Tax, phased in over next two years



# Washington State Department of Transportation

- Just the Facts
  - WSDOT manages 18,500 lane miles
  - Smooth, safe and economical pavements
  - 2016 forecast
    - 1,043,000 tons HMA
    - 586,555 tons HMA - modified asphalt

# 2016 HMA TONS FORECAST VS. ACTUAL





- Background

- How we got to where we are

- SHRP efforts - 1995
- Implemented PG Binders - 2000
- Superpave Volumetric Mix Design - 2004



- Hamburg & MSCR

- What have we learned?

- Asphalt and Anti-Strip Compatibility
- Asphalt Modification – Products and Processes
- Benefits of Polymer Modification
  - Note: Dual testing AASHTO M 320 & M 332 since 2008



Shown with optional Crane Lift



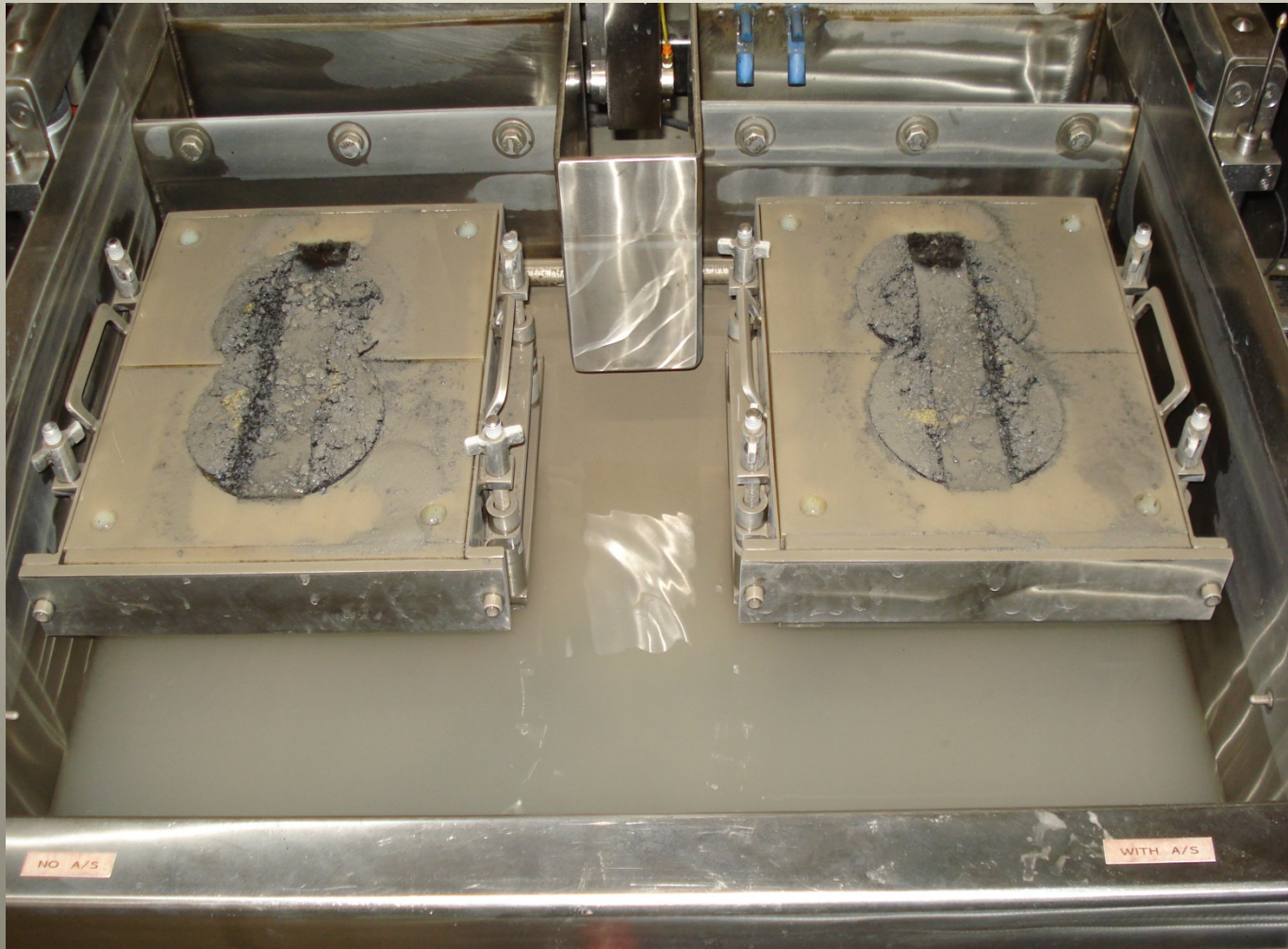


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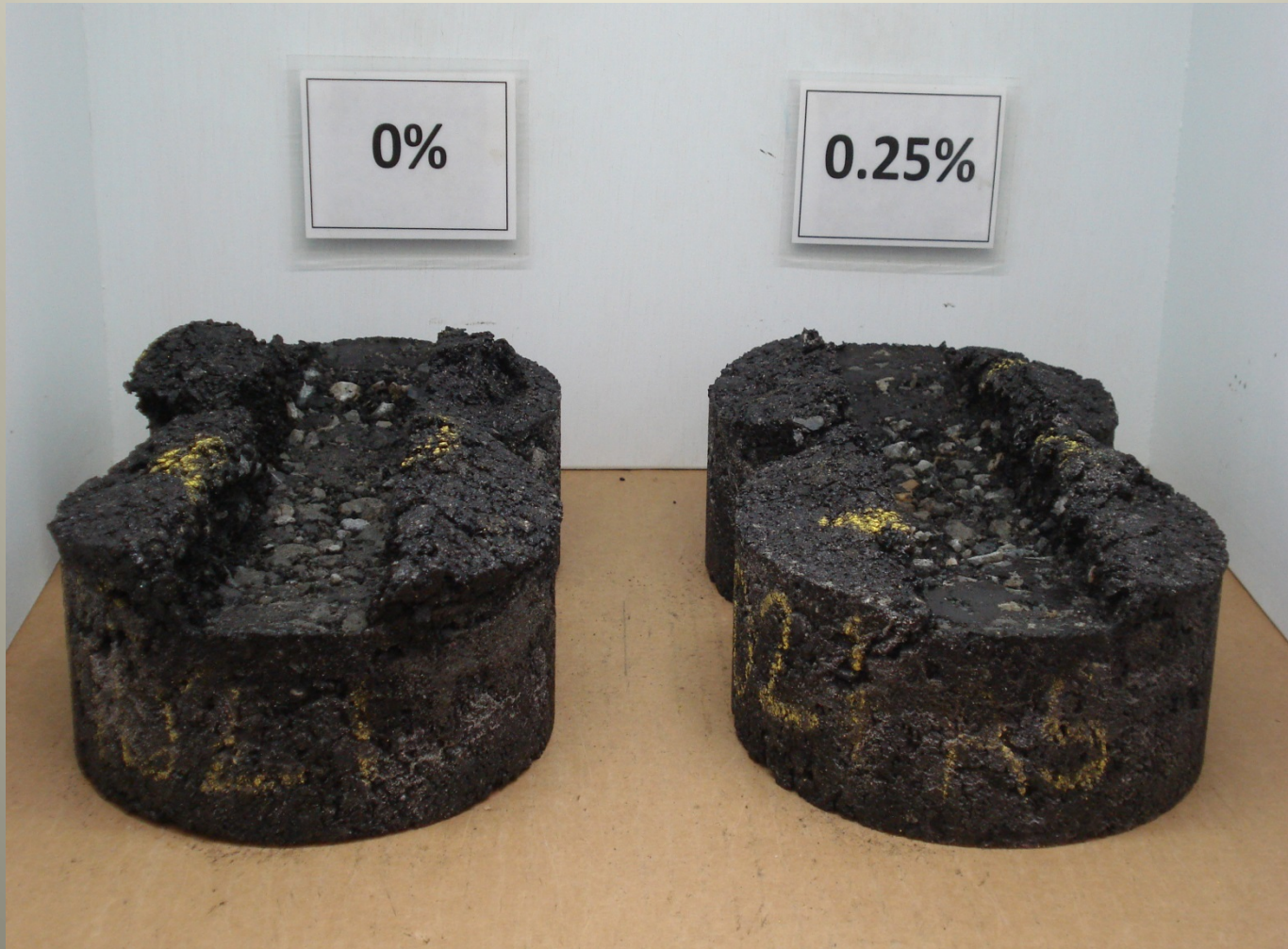




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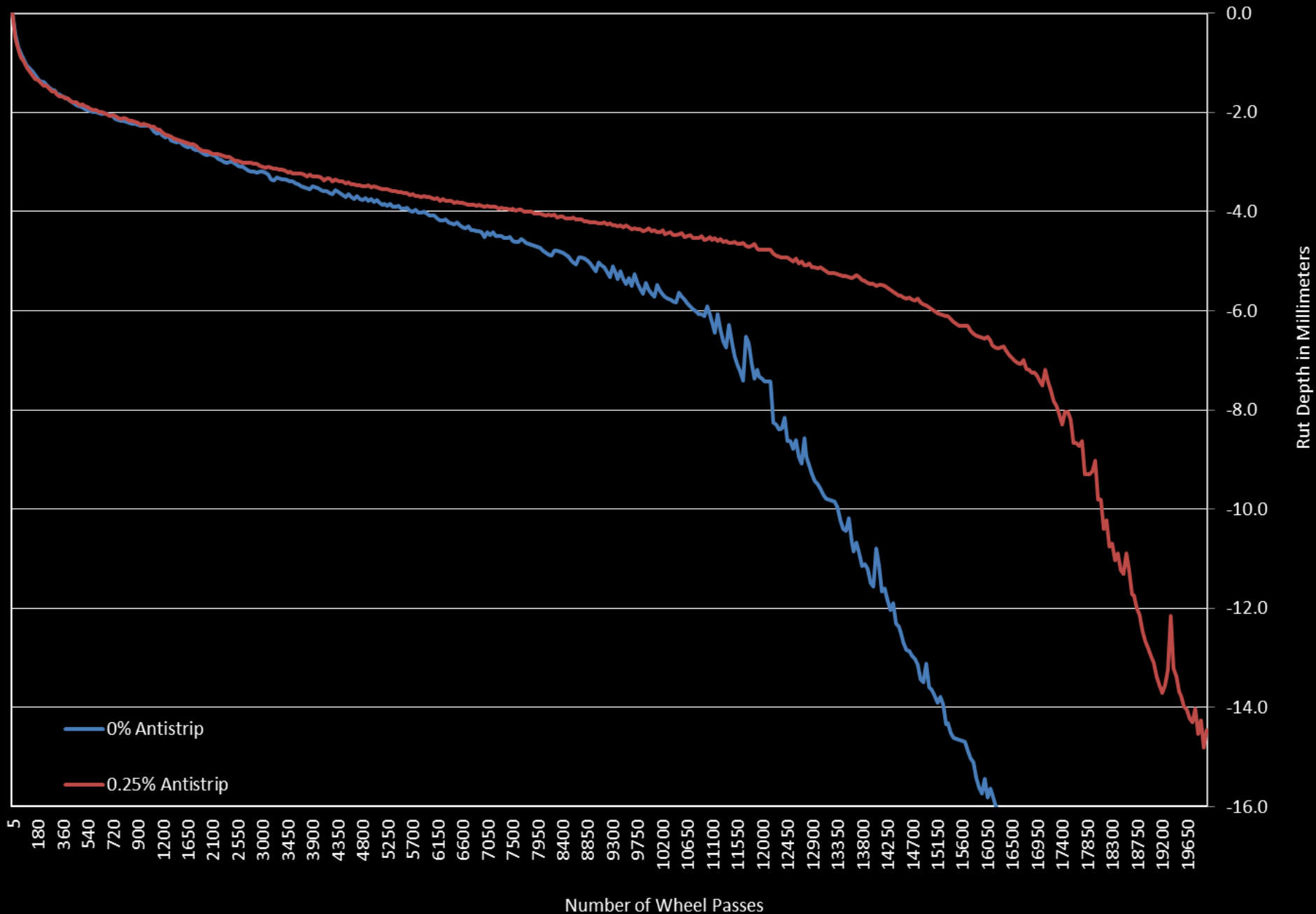


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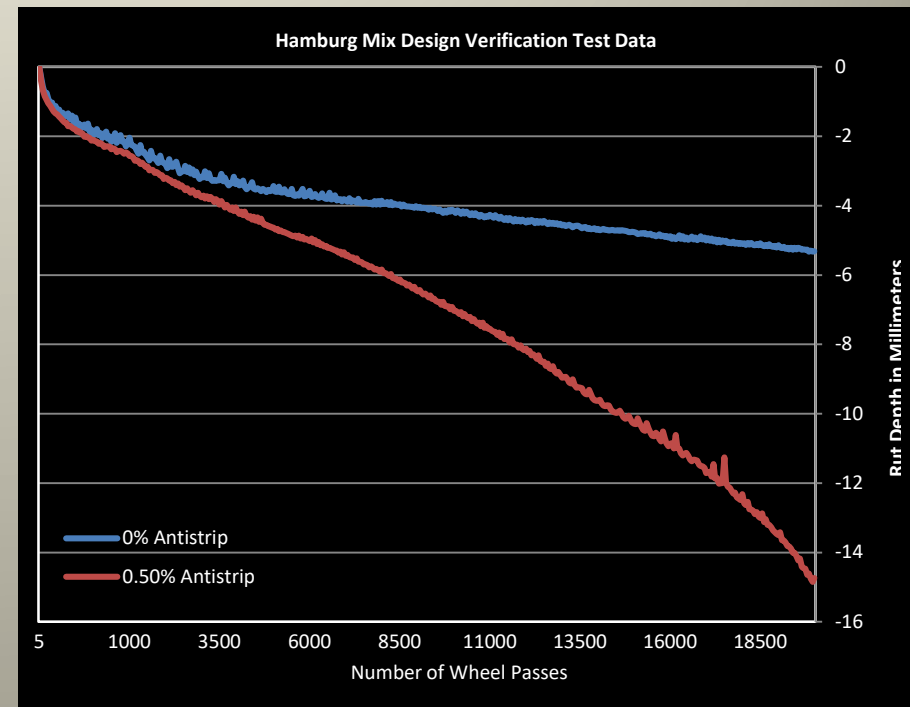


# 2011 Mix Design Hamburg Test Data (PG64-22)



# • Hamburg Testing

## ➤ Asphalt & Anti-Strip Compatibility



Hamburg Samples with PG64-28 “Original Formulation”



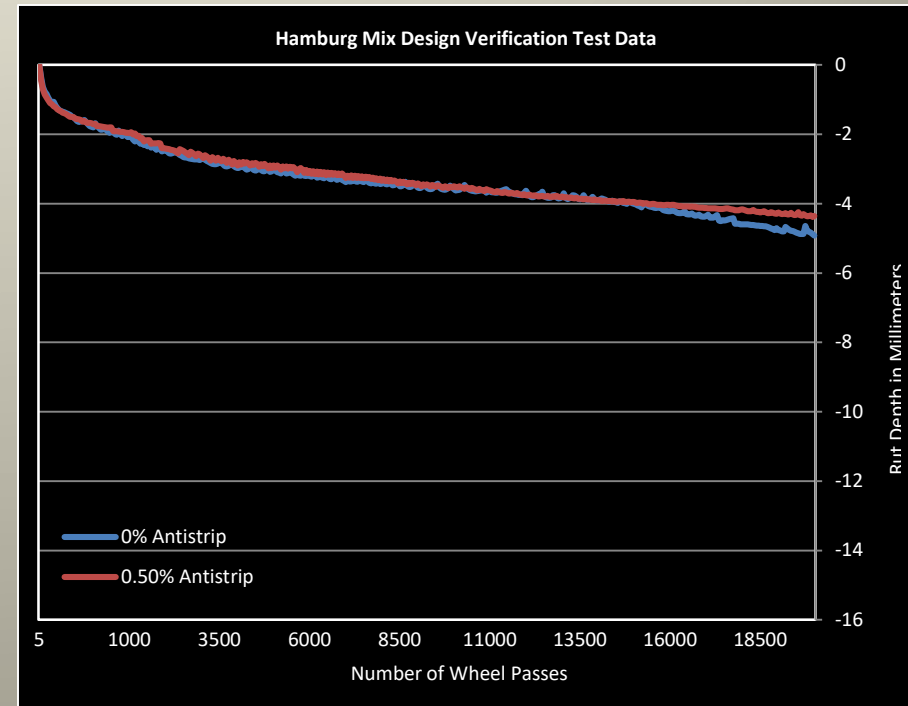
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- Asphalt & Anti-Strip Compatibility

- Results of data analysis
  - AASHTO M 320 – binder meet specification
- Mix design
  - Lottman – improved TSR with anti-strip
  - Hamburg – significant rutting with anti-strip

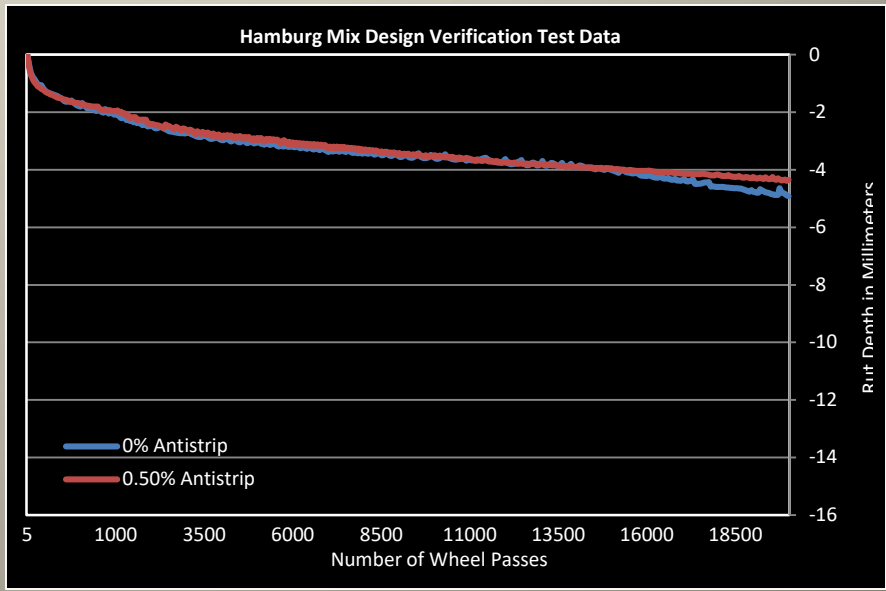
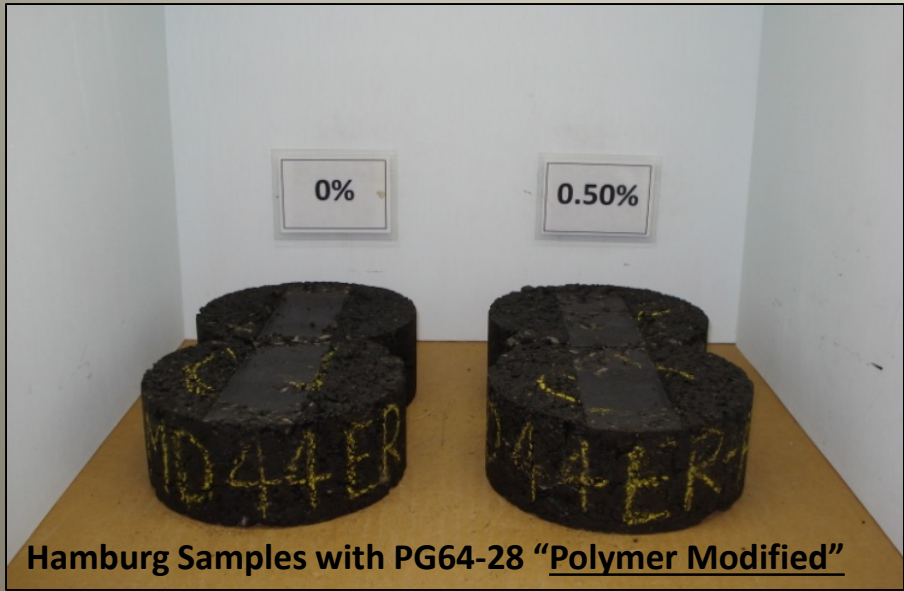
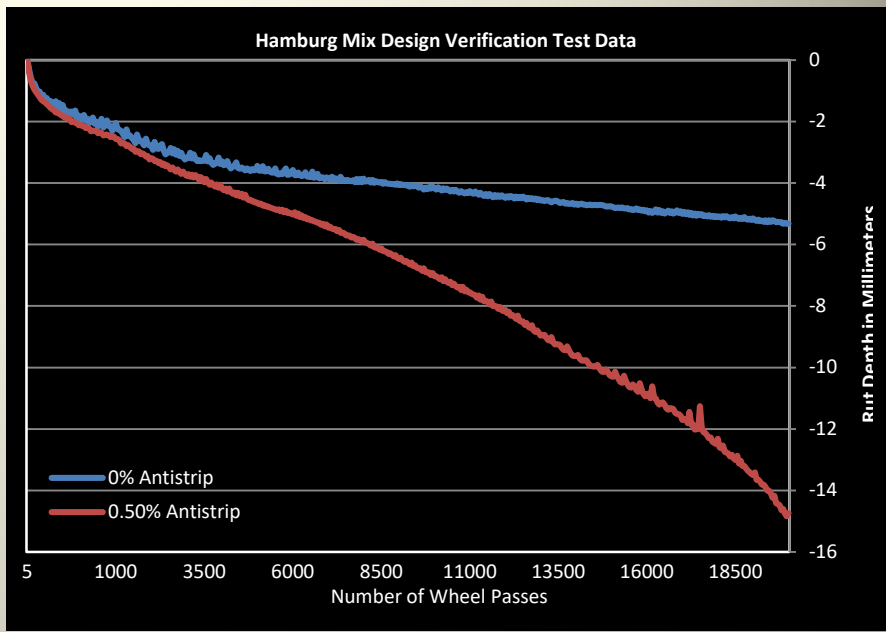
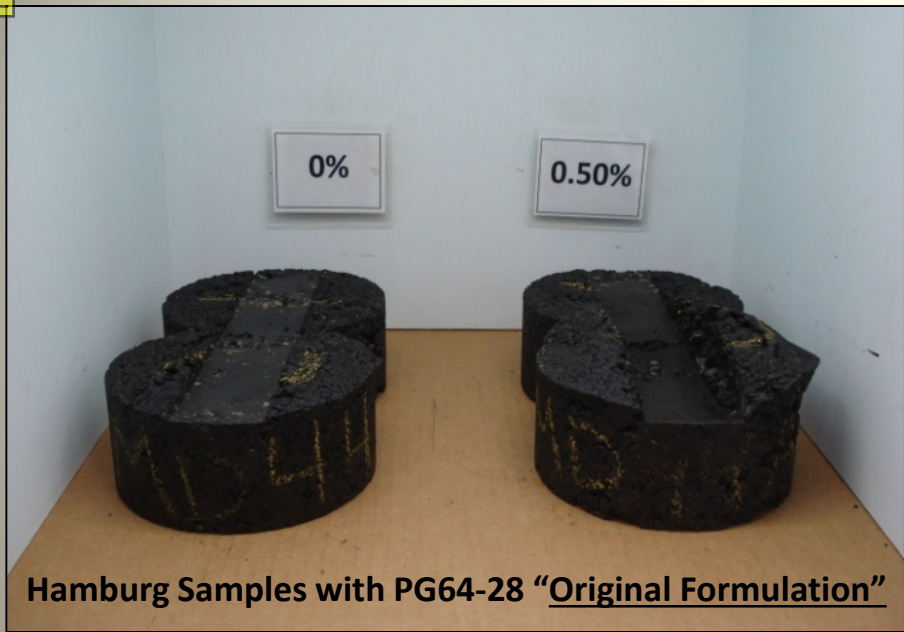
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## ➤ Asphalt & Anti-Strip Compatibility



Hamburg Samples with PG64-28 “Polymer Modified”







- Asphalt Binder Testing

- Data Analysis

### Original Formulation

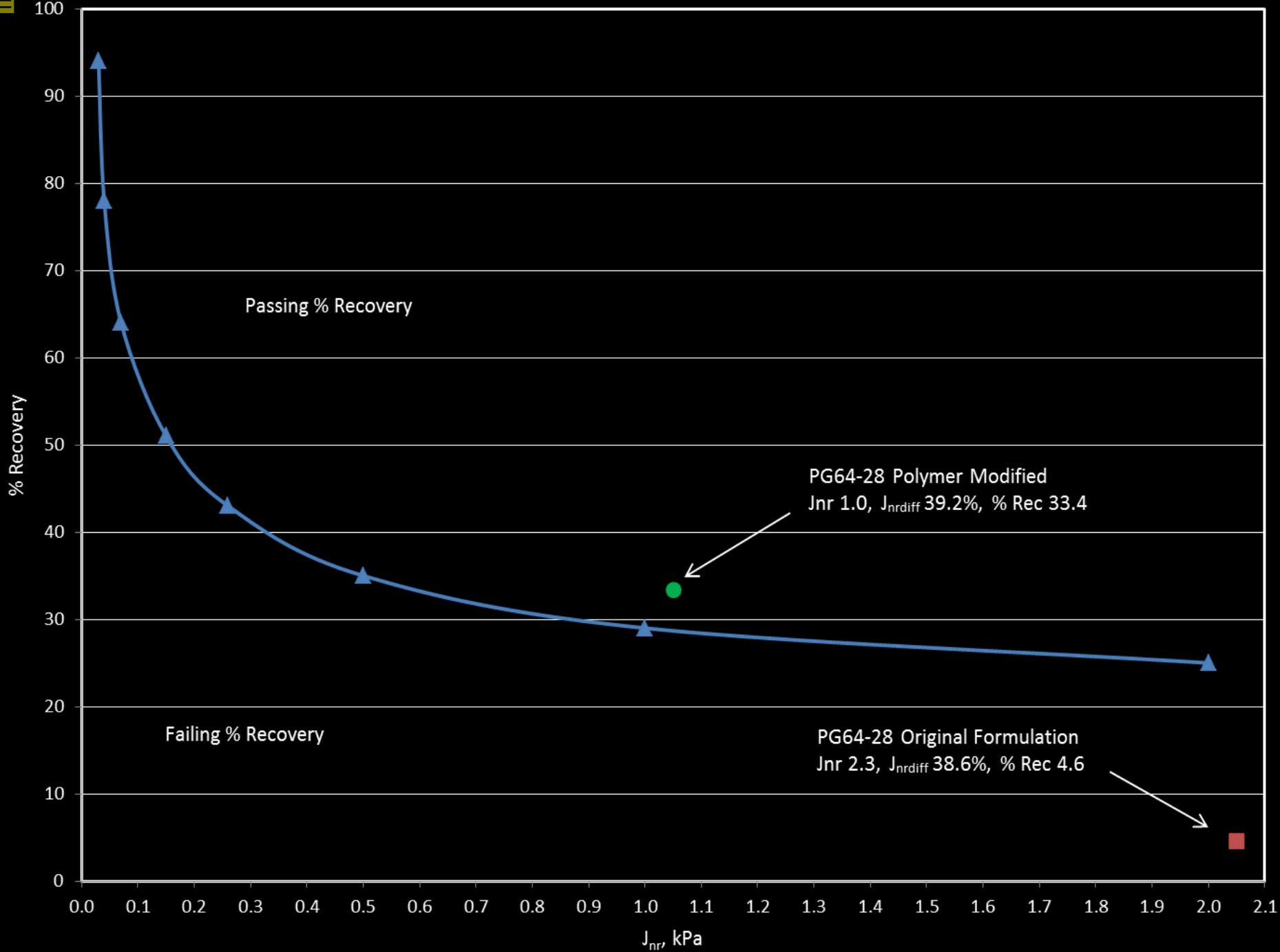
- Met Conventional PG Specs (AASHTO - M 320)
- Met MSCR Specs \* (AASHTO - M 332)
- Elastic Recovery = 25% (AASHTO - T 301)

\*Excluding Appendix X1

### Polymer Modified

- Met Conventional PG Specs (AASHTO - M 320)
- Met MSCR Specs \*\* (AASHTO - M 332)
- Elastic Recovery = 74% (AASHTO - T 301)

\*\*Including Appendix X1





- Asphalt Binder Testing

- Data Analysis

- Typical Modified PG Binders

- Met all specifications requirements (AASHTO - M 320)
- Passed MSCR (AASHTO - M 332) \*

\*Excluding Appendix X1 (% recovery)

- Tested elastic recovery (AASHTO - T 301)

- Hamburg & MSCR

- Where are we today?

- Elastic Recovery Specification - 2012
- Hamburg and IDT Specification - 2014
- Multiple Stress Creep Recovery - 2018

# Elastic Recovery Specification

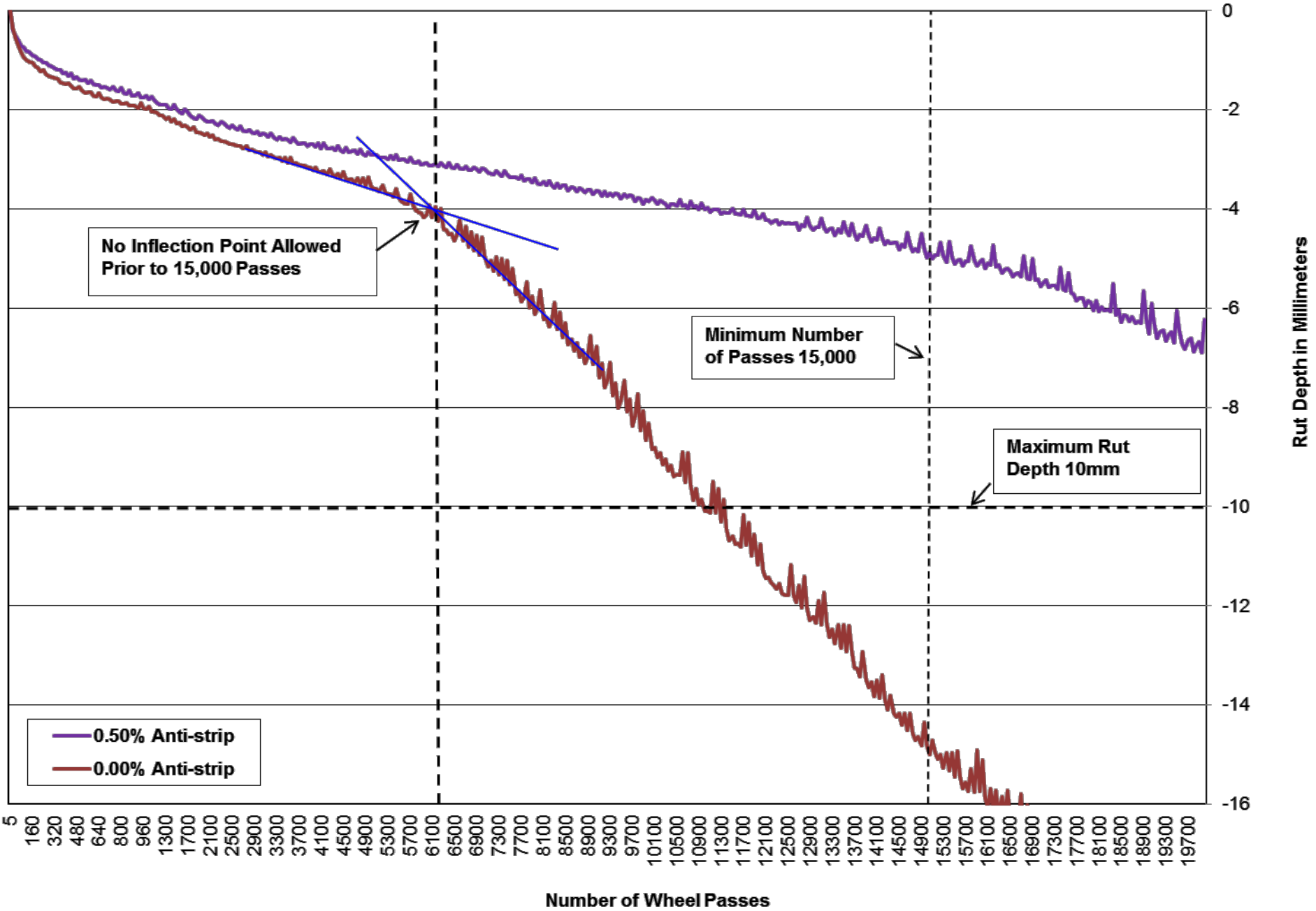
Property	Test Method	Additional Requirements by Performance Grade (PG) Asphalt Binders					
		PG 58-22	PG 64-22	PG 64-28	PG 70-22	PG 70-28	PG 76-28
RTFO Residue:							
Elastic Recovery <sup>1</sup>	AASHTO T 301 <sup>2</sup>	--	--	60% Min.	60% Min.	60% Min.	60% Min.
Notes:							
<p>1. Elastic Recovery @ 25°C ± 0.5°C 2. Specimen conditioned in accordance with AASHTO T 240 – RTFO</p>							



# Hamburg and IDT Specification

Mix Criteria	HMA Class							
	3/8 inch		1/2 inch		3/4 inch		1 inch	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
Hamburg Wheel-Track Testing, WSDOT FOP for AASHTO T 324 Rut Depth (mm) @ 15,000 Passes		10		10		10		10
Hamburg Wheel-Track Testing, WSDOT FOP for AASHTO T 324 Minimum Number of Passes With no Stripping Inflection Point	15,000		15,000		15,000		15,000	
Indirect Tensile (IDT) Strength (psi) of Bituminous Materials WSDOT FOP for ASTM D 6931		175		175		175		175

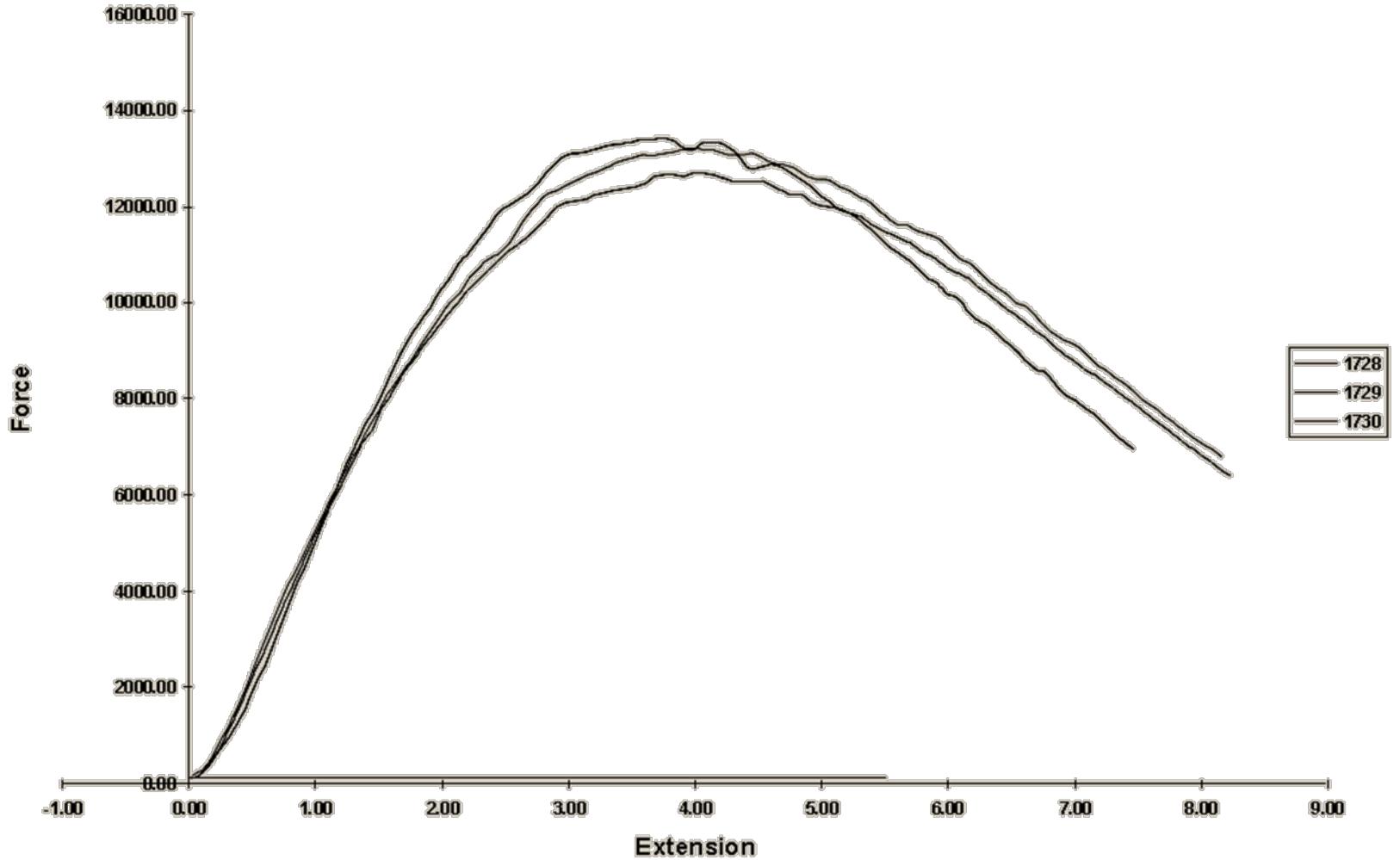
# Hamburg Mix Design Test Data



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Report No Indirect Tensile Strength (IDT) - Mix Design

Force (-N) vs Extension (%)



- Multiple Stress Creep Recovery

- Where we're headed next!

- Multiple Stress Creep Recovery - 2018

- \* Working with PCCAS, Regional Task Group & WAPA

- Would Replace Elastic Recovery

- New PG Grading Terminology

# • Asphalt Binder Grading - 101

## • Current Grading System

- Base grade (Environment)
- Grade bump (Traffic/Load)
- Bump = same stiffness at higher temperature
- Allows for products & processes that may affect performance

## • MSCR Grading System

- Base grade (Environment)
- Grade bump (Traffic/Load)
- Bump = increase stiffness at service temperature
- Requires products & processes that ensure performance



- Asphalt Binder Grading - 101

- Current Grading System

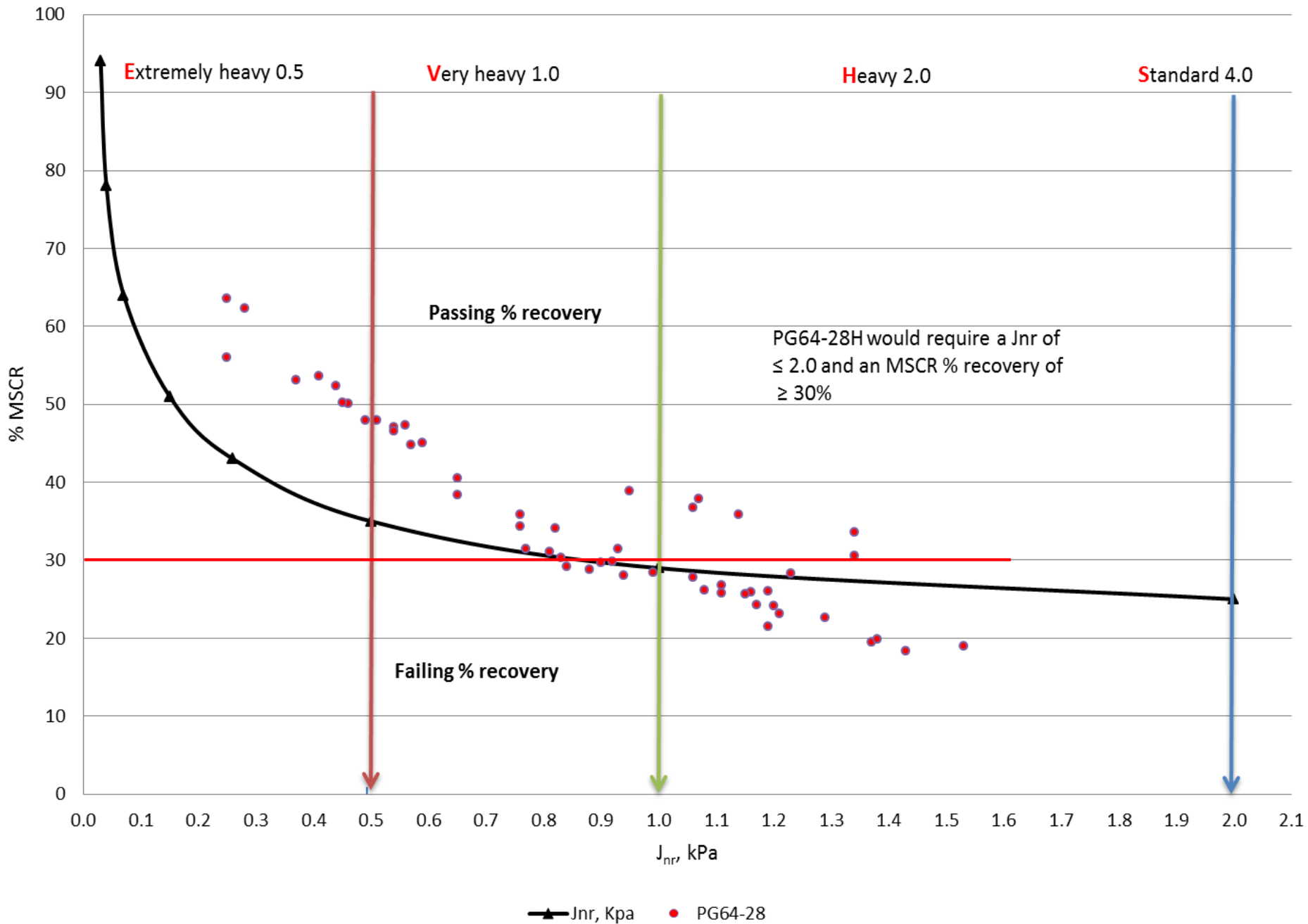
- PG58-22
- PG64-22
- PG70-22
- PG64-28
- PG70-28
- PG76-28

- MSCR Grading System

- PG58S-22 (Standard)
- PG58H-22 (Heavy)
- PG58V-22 (Very Heavy)
- PG64S-28
- PG64H-28
- PG64V-28



# PG64-28 (PG64-28H) MSCR vrs Jnr 2013



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