

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
PROCEDURE FOR EVALUATION AND MAINTENANCE OF

LIST IV-5

BREAKAWAY CONNECTORS FOR LIGHTWEIGHT OR BENDAWAY SIGN
SUPPORTS

1. **Material:** Breakaway connectors for lightweight or bendaway sign post
2. **Specification:** Article 880.04
3. **Jurisdiction:** Product Evaluation Board, Maintenance Bureau, Traffic Operations
4. **Job Acceptance Requirements:** No job control samples necessary if the product works satisfactorily.
5. **Project Engineer's Responsibility:** Check and assure that the product is on the approved list.
6. **Producer's Initial Requirements:**
 - 6.1 Name and address of the company producing the product
 - 6.2 Submit copies of completed Product Evaluation Forms along with Federal Highway Administration approval.
 - 6.3 Furnish one complete unit of the product to be evaluated.
 - 6.4 Submittal and testing fees according to the Department's current fee schedule.
7. **Producer's Maintenance Requirements:** Companies with products on this list will be expected to comply with the following to stay on the list:
 - 7.1 Produce the same quality of material as the material supplied for the original evaluation.
 - 7.2 Provide only approved products to Department projects.
 - 7.3 Promptly report to the Department any changes in company name, product name, company address or company ownership.
 - 7.4 Notify the Department of any changes in production of the product. Any alteration that will change the product physically will require a reevaluation of the product.
 - 7.5 Promptly report to the Department any changes to the manufacturer's Build America, Buy America (BABA) compliant status.
8. **Evaluation:** The following evaluations will be conducted on submitted products:
 - 8.1 Legal parameters as required by Title 32-5a-36, Code of Alabama
 - 8.2 Check for compliance with Section 880.04 of the Department Specifications.
 - 8.3 Check for compliance with the "Alabama Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways."
 - 8.4 Make a field installation if required.
9. **Contractors' Requirements:** The prime contractor will be responsible for purchasing and using only approved products.
10. **Removal of Products:** Products may be removed from this list for any of the following:
 - 10.1 Mislabeling products or substitution of products other than those originally submitted.
 - 10.2 Failure to comply with any of the Department's requirements for this type of material.
 - 10.3 Failure to work satisfactorily on the job.
 - 10.4 A change that will affect the manufacturer's BABA status requirement(s) will be removed from the approval list or deemed to be non-compliant AND can only be used on state-funded projects.
11. **Correspondence:** All correspondence concerning this list should be directed to the following:

Product Evaluation Board
Alabama Department of Transportation
3704 Fairground Road
Montgomery, AL 36110