
CCL Evaluated Claims, Remedies, Corrections

Bernie Moore Track & Field - LSU

Baton Rouge, Louisiana



In 1987, the State of Louisiana let a contract for the complete renovation of the track and field facility at LSU into the state-of-the-art world class facility the contract called for the use of Rekortan all-weather synthetic sports surfacing over asphalt. Shortly after substantial completion, but prior to acceptance, the color of a section of the facility faded from bright gold to tan. This fading, coupled with complaints about the excessive softness of the track, resulted in the State's requiring the removal and replacement of a portion of the track. The contractor did not comply, offering instead an alternative method of correcting both the color fading and the softness. The contractor also counterclaimed alleging interference by the State's personnel and deficiencies in the design.

In order to resolve this impasse, the case was referred to the Office of the Louisiana Attorney General, who in turn retained CCL to evaluate the position and claims of each party, to evaluate the proposed remedies, to propose proper corrective measures, and to provide procedural guidance and technical support for the State in its efforts to resolve the dispute and bring the project to a successful conclusion.

During its investigation, CCL was able to determine that the surfacing of the entire facility was below specification requirements, that the remedies proposed by the contractor were inadequate, that design deficiencies did indeed exist, but that these deficiencies did not affect the quality of the surfacing, and that the underlying substrate was out of specification tolerances.

CCL developed detailed testing inspection and quality control procedures for the rehabilitation work. CCL is continuing to assist LSU and the Attorney General's office in the documentation of construction deficiencies, monitoring rehabilitation work and in negotiations with the contractor.



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