

EXCLUSIVE: Racine Contractor Let Off Hook For Botching Job Is In Non-Compliance On Two Other Contracts

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I reported exclusively last week that state Transportation Department officials agreed to waive previously assessed penalties against Cornerstone Pavers for long delays and other problems associated with the repaving of County MM in Racine County.

I can now report that the same company, Cornerstone, is in non-compliance on two other major projects. The company is in a dispute resolution process with DOT on the 13th Street project in Oak Creek and the repaving of National Avenue in West Allis. Despite all of Cornerstone's issues, DOT regional manager Dewayne Johnson not only waived the earlier penalties on the Racine project but allowed Cornerstone to charge the state for the extra asphalt needed to complete the botched job.

DOT officials say Craig Thompson, Governor Evers' designee to serve as transportation secretary, has not been involved in the Cornerstone issues and that they are being dealt with by the southeast Wisconsin region.

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