

PAINTED GALVANIZED STEEL AND ALUMINUM STRUCTURES WARRANTY CLAIM INSTRUCTIONS

To be on the Florida Department of Transportation's List of Prequalified Fabricators of Painted Galvanized Steel and Aluminum Products, the fabricator must provide for each project the following:

- All products must be listed in MAC for specific portions of Section 646, 649, and 715.
- The Assumption of Obligations by the Fabricator as the Responsible Party for Color and Adhesion Warranties. (Form #700-010-20)
- Warranty Bond against any color retention or adherence failures, as described in Section 975, which occur with five years from the date of final acceptance of the Contract under which the products were installed.
- A written statement certifying the number of products that it sold for use on each Department Contract during the current bond cycle.

The term of the Bond for all prequalified fabricators is **five years** from the Department's final acceptance date and covers any and all coating system color retention and coating adhesion failures. (See Paragraph 1 of the Bond.)

To initiate a Bond claim, the Department must notify the Surety in writing not more than five years from the final acceptance date of the Contract under which the products were installed.

District warranty personnel must contact the State Construction Office Warranty Coordinator in advance of sending the notification to ensure the proper Surety and bond number are referenced in the correspondence.

There is no specific requirement for what is to be included in the notification to the Surety; however, the following information is recommended:

- Final acceptance date for the Contract under which products were installed.
- Executed Assumption of Obligations
- Inspection history, including dates and findings
- Photos of deficiencies
- Copy of the deficiency letter to Fabricator
- Copy of the bond and/or continuation certificate
- Any correspondence with the Fabricator prior to color retention and adherence failures.