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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS
ACCEPTANCE PROCESS CHANGE

Article 6-5.12 of the Standard Specifications allows the Engineer to accept certain manufactured products upon receipt of a satisfactory notarized certification provided by the contractor. The Materials Manual Quality Assurance section 5.6.13 outlines the responsibilities for the verification of manufactured products procedure. For most manufactured products these are certifications issued by manufacturer to the contractor with the correct product and project related information. For materials such as fencing systems, sign structures and guardrail systems, the contractor provides a certificate of compliance that may also have associated material certifications. In either case, the contractor is required to provide the certifications prior to incorporating the materials into the project.

The project personnel shall report the receipt of the certifications and confirm their completeness, including Qualified Products List (QPL) identification for QPL materials using the "Z" numbers in the Construction Quality Reporting system (CQR) or through the sample login in the Laboratory Information Management system (LIMS) as available for the project. Certifications should not be accepted after material is incorporated in the project.

This process change eliminates the pretest requirements or testing prior to incorporating these materials in to the project as previously performed for traffic marking materials including glass beads, traffic paints, raised pavement markers and thermoplastic. The process permits the Department to perform random sampling. The Materials section will notify project personnel when a random sample is required from the project. As always, the project engineer may pull a sample at anytime.

Certification sample forms have been provided on the Departments Internet address for the manufacturers and contractors information. The website is:
<http://www11.myflorida.com/statematerialsoffice/Administration/Publications/certifications/sampleforms.htm>

The project personnel accepting the materials may use these samples to ensure that certifications have all the required information.

This requirement is for all projects, new and existing, upon the material specification effective date for the manufactured products. Material specification effective dates are:

<u>Standard Specification Section & Description</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
441, geo-composite drain materials	July 2003
536, guardrail systems	July 2002
550, fencing systems	July 2002
919, ground tire rubber for asphalt	July 2002
925, curing materials for concrete	July 2002
926, epoxy compounds	July 2002
931, metal materials for joints, dowel bars	July 2002
932, nonmetallic accessory materials (pads, sealants, etc.)	July 2002
971, coatings and traffic marking materials	July 2002
982, fertilizer	July 2002
986, dust control calcium chloride	July 2002
992, highway lighting materials	July 2002
993, guardrail reflectors	July 2002
993 & 705, all highway delineators	July 2003
994, reflective and non-reflective sign sheeting	July 2002
995, demountable sign face materials	July 2002
996, laminated aluminum panel signs	July 2002
970, raised pavement markers	July 2003

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