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Re: State Specifications Office
Section: **990**
Proposed Specification: **9900100 Temporary Traffic Control Device Materials.**

Dear Mr. Nguyen:

We are submitting, for your approval, two copies of the above referenced Supplemental Specification.

The changes are proposed by Ed Cashman in the Roadway Design Office to clarify the requirement that all temporary traffic control devices manufactured on or after January 1, 2020 must be MASH-compliant.

Please review and transmit your comments, if any, within two weeks. Comments should be sent via email to stefanie.maxwell@dot.state.fl.us.

If you have any questions relating to this specification change, please call me at 414-4140.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

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Attachment

cc: Florida Transportation Builders' Assoc.
State Construction Engineer

TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE MATERIALS**(REV ~~75-106-19~~)**

ARTICLE 990-1 is deleted and the following substituted:

990-1 General.

This Section specifies the material requirements for temporary traffic control devices. ~~All temporary traffic control devices must meet the requirements of NCHRP 350 or MASH and current FHWA directives, the requirements of this Section, and be listed on the APL. Manufacturers seeking evaluation must submit certified test reports showing that their product meets all test requirements set forth by NCHRP 350 or the MASH. Manufacturers seeking evaluation of Category I devices for inclusion on the APL shall include the manufacturer's self-certification letter. Manufacturer's seeking evaluation of Category II and Category III devices for inclusion on the APL shall include the FHWA WZ-numbered acceptance letter with attachments and vendor drawings of the device in sufficient detail to enable the Engineer to distinguish between this and similar devices. For devices requiring field assembly or special site preparation, vendor drawings shall include all field assembly details and technical information necessary for proper application and installation. Vendor drawings for Category III devices and automated flagger assistance devices (AFADs) must be signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Florida. Manufacturers seeking evaluation of Category IV devices for inclusion on the APL must comply with the requirements of Section 990 and include detailed vendor drawings of the device along with technical information necessary for proper application, field assembly and installation.~~

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990-2.1 Approved Product List (APL): Sheeting for use on Temporary Traffic Control Devices shall be one of the products listed on the Department's Approved Product List (APL). Manufacturers seeking evaluation of their product shall submit an application in accordance with Section 6.

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990-2.1.2 Collars for Traffic Cones: Collars for traffic cones shall meet the requirements of ASTM D4956 Type III or higher retroreflective prismatic sheeting materials identified in Section 994 including supplementary requirements for reboundable sheeting. The outdoor weathering shall be for 12 months for all sheeting types.

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ARTICLE 990-3 is deleted and the following substituted:

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990-3.1 General: All portable devices shall meet the physical display and operational requirements of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and be listed on the Department's Approved Product List (APL). Manufacturers seeking evaluation of their product shall submit an application in accordance with Section 6 and include the following:

1. Certification showing that the product meets the requirements of this Section.

2. Drawings of the device along with technical information necessary for proper application, field assembly, and installation.

Portable devices shall meet the following requirements:

3. Ensure that all assembly hardware less than 5/8 inch in diameter, including nuts, bolts, external screws and locking washers are Type 304 or 316 passivated stainless steel. Stainless steel bolts, screws and studs shall meet ASTM F593. Nuts shall meet ASTM F594. All assembly hardware greater than or equal to 5/8 inch in diameter shall be galvanized. Bolts, studs, and threaded rod shall meet ASTM A307. Structural bolts shall meet ASTM F3125, Grade A325.

4. The controllers and associated on-board circuitry shall meet the requirements of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Title 47, Subpart B, Section 15 regulations concerning the emission of electronic noise by Class A digital devices. All electronic assemblies shall meet the requirements of NEMA TS-4-2016 Section 2.

5. The controller and associated on-board circuitry shall not be affected by mobile radio, or any other radio transmissions.

6. An operator's manual shall be furnished with each unit.

7. All portable devices shall be permanently marked with ~~the APL number~~, manufacturer's name or trademark, model/part number, and date of manufacture or serial number.

8. Portable devices and trailers shall be delineated on a permanent basis by affixing retroreflective ~~material, known as conspicuity material,~~ sheeting in a continuous line on the face of the trailer as seen by oncoming road users.

ARTICLE 990-8 is deleted and the following substituted:

990-8 Work Zone Signs.

990-8.1 Post Mounted Sign Supports:

Provide steel ~~flanged U-channel or square tube steel meeting the mechanical requirements of posts that conform to~~ ASTM A499, Grade 60. For each ~~U-channel or square tube post~~, punch or drill 3/8 inch diameter holes on 1 inch centers through the center of the post, starting approximately 1 inch from the top and extending the full length of the post. Ensure that the weight per foot of a particular manufacturer's post size does not vary more than plus or minus 3.5% of its specified weight per foot. Taper the bottom end of the post for easier installation. Machine straighten the ~~U-channel~~ to a tolerance of 0.4% of the length. Use only

non-corrosive metal, aluminum, or galvanized steel attachment hardware. ~~Work zone sign systems shall be one of the products listed on the APL.~~

990-8.2 Portable Sign Stands: Provide portable sign stands that meet the requirements of MASH TL-3.

990-8.2.1 Product Application: Manufacturers seeking inclusion on the APL must submit the following:

1. Product Drawing, which at a minimum includes:
 - a. Model Number
 - b. Sign panel size
 - c. Allowable sign panel substrate material
 - d. Height to bottom of sign panel
 - e. Any field assembly details and technical information necessary for proper application and installation
2. Crash testing reports.
3. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters.

990-8.3 Sign Panels: Use signs that meet the material and process requirements of ASTM D4956 and Section 994. Use the Type VI sheeting for vinyl signs. Mesh signs must meet the color, daytime luminance, and non-reflective requirements of Section 994, Type VI. Use Type IV sheeting for fluorescent orange work zone signs. Use Type IV and Type XI sheeting for all other work zone signs.

SUBARTICLE 990-10.1 is deleted and the following substituted:

990-10 Automated Flagger Assistance Devices (AFAD).

990-10.1 General: AFAD's shall meet the physical display and operational requirements in the MUTCD and be listed on the APL. Manufacturers seeking evaluation of their product for the APL must include detailed vendor drawings, signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Florida, showing typical application of the device in accordance with Standard Plans, Index 102-603. All electronic assemblies shall meet the requirements of NEMA TS-5-2017 Section 4.

ARTICLE 990-11 is deleted and the following substituted:

990-11 Temporary Barrier.

Producers of temporary concrete barrier seeking inclusion on the Department's Production Facility Listing shall meet the requirements of Section 105.

Manufacturers seeking evaluation of proprietary temporary barrier systems for inclusion on the APL must meet ~~the NCHRP Report 350 TL-3 criteria or~~ MASH TL-3 criteria and submit the following:

1. Product drawings, signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Florida, which at a minimum must include:
 - a. Freestanding and anchored details, as appropriate
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End treatment details

2. Installation manuals
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4. All relevant FHWA Eligibility Letters

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Manufacturers seeking evaluation of crash cushions for inclusion on the APL must meet ~~the NCHRP Report 350 TL-2 or TL-3 criteria, or~~ MASH TL-2 or TL-3 criteria and submit the following:

1. Product drawings, signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Florida, which at a minimum must include:

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Equip truck mounted and trailer mounted attenuator units with lights and reflectors in compliance with applicable Florida motor vehicle laws, including turn signals, dual tail lights, and brake lights. Ensure that lights are visible in both the raised and lowered positions if the unit is capable of being raised.

Install either alternating black with yellow or white with orange sheeting on the rear of trailer mounted attenuators and truck mounted attenuators in both the operating and raised position. Use Type III (work zone) or Type IV sheeting consisting of 4 or 6 inch wide stripes installed to form chevrons that point upward. All sheeting except black must be retroreflective.

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 - a. Photographs
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