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July 22, 2021

Khoa Nguyen
Director, Office of Technical Services
Federal Highway Administration
3500 Financial Plaza, Suite 400
Tallahassee, Florida 32312

Re: State Specifications Office
Section: **002**
Proposed Specification: **SP0020400 Proposal Requirements and Conditions – Examination of Plans, Specifications, Special Provisions, and Site of Work.**

Dear Mr. Nguyen:

We are submitting, for your approval, two copies of the above referenced Special Provision.

The changes are proposed by Larry Ritchie from the Construction Office to clarify existing language to bring Bid Q&A questions and responses into a construction contract. Changes were also proposed by Scott Arnold from the State Construction Office to clarify the Contractor's responsibility to examine and interpret any pavement coring data provided by the Department.

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

If you have any questions relating to this specification change, please call me at 414-4130.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

Daniel Strickland, P.E.
State Specifications Engineer

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Attachment

cc: Florida Transportation Builders' Assoc.
State Construction Engineer

PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS - EXAMINATION OF PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, SPECIAL PROVISIONS, AND SITE OF WORK.

(REV 6-16-21)

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<https://fdotwp1.dot.state.fl.us/BidQuestionsAndAnswers/Proposal.aspx/SearchProposal>

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