December 9, 2019

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

Re: State Specifications Office  
Section: 350  
Proposed Specification: 3501203 Cement Concrete Pavement.

Dear Mr. Nguyen:

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

The changes are proposed by Mary Jane Hayden to clarify that sheet metal strips are only required when a special select soil base option is used for concrete pavement. Asphalt bases do not need them.

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
CEMENT CONCRETE PAVEMENT
(REV 11-12-19)

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