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January 15, 2020

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

Re: State Specifications Office

Section: 990

Proposed Specification: 9900303 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 Derek Vollmer from the Traffic Engineer and Operations Office to modify PCMS font size of 18 inch lettering on any speed facility and a minimum of 12 inches on facilities with speeds of 45mph or less.

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

## TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE MATERIALS

(REV 12-142-2019)

SUBARTICLE 990-3.3.1 is deleted and the following substituted:

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- 2. The matrix must be capable of displaying three lines of 8 characters using an 18 inch or 12 inch font that meets the height to width ratio and character spacing requirements in the MUTCD, Section 2L.04, paragraphs 05, 06, and 08. PCMS with a minimum font size of 18 inches shall be used on any speed facility. PCMS with a minimum font size of 12 inches may be used on facilities with speed limits of 45 mph or less
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