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

Re: State Specifications Office
Section: **330**
Proposed Specification: **3300904 HOT MIX ASPHALT - GENERAL
CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS.**

Dear Mr. Nguyen:

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

The changes are proposed by Rich Hewitt from the State Construction Office to add speed tables and raised crosswalks to the straightedge testing exception areas in the Standard Specification.

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

**HOT MIX ASPHALT - GENERAL CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS
(REV 10-5-20)**

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As an exception, in the event the Engineer identifies an objectionable surface irregularity in the above areas, straightedge and address all deficiencies in excess of 3/8 inch in accordance with 330-9.5.

The Engineer may waive straightedge requirements for transverse joints at the beginning and end of the project, at the beginning and end of bridge structures, at manholes, and at utility structures if the deficiencies are caused by factors beyond the control of the Contractor, as determined by the Engineer. In addition, the Engineer may also waive the straightedging requirements on ramps and superelevated sections where the geometrical orientation of the pavement results in an inaccurate measurement with the rolling straightedge.

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