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Federal Highway Administration
3500 Financial Plaza, Suite 400
Tallahassee, Florida 32312

Re: State Specifications Office
Section: **990**
Proposed Specification: **9900400 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 Karen Byram to remove friction testing and change the black retroreflectivity value.

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 850-414-4130.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

Daniel Strickland, P.E.
State Specifications Engineer

* This revision is associated with proposed Standard Specification revision 1021000.

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Attachment

cc: Florida Transportation Builders' Assoc.
State Construction Engineer

TEMPORARY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE MATERIALS.**(REV 12-1-21)**

ARTICLE 990-4 is deleted and the following substituted:

990-4 Removable Tape.

990-4.1 General: Removable tape 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. Evaluation of Removable Tape will utilize data from an independent laboratory or data from the National Transportation Product Evaluation Program (NTPEP).

990-4.2 Composition: Removable tape shall be one of the products listed on the APL. The pavement stripes and markings shall consist of high quality plastic materials, pigments, and glass spheres or other retroreflective materials uniformly distributed throughout their cross-sectional area, with a reflective layer of spheres or other retroreflective material embedded in the top surface. No foil type materials shall be allowed.

990-4.3 Skid Resistance: ~~The surface of the stripes and markings shall provide a minimum skid resistance value of 35 BPN (British Pendulum Number) when tested according to ASTM E303. Bike lane symbols and pedestrian crosswalks shall provide a minimum skid resistance value of 55 BPN.~~ **Retroreflectivity:** The white and yellow pavement markings shall attain an initial retroreflectance of not less than 300 mcd/lx·m² and 250 mcd/lx·m², respectively. Black pavement markings shall have a retroreflectance of less than 20 mcd/lx·m². The retroreflectance of the white and yellow pavement markings at the end of the six-month period shall not be less than 150 mcd/lx·m².

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990-4.10 Adhesive: Precoat removable tape with a pressure sensitive adhesive capable of being affixed to asphalt concrete and portland cement concrete pavement surfaces without the

use of heat, solvents, and other additional adhesives or activators. Ensure that the adhesive does not require a protective liner when the removable tape is in rolled form for shipment. Ensure that the adhesive is capable of temporarily bonding to the roadway pavement at temperatures of 50°F and the above without pick-up distortion by vehicular traffic.

990-4.11 Color: Meet the requirements of 971-1.6.

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