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October 2, 2023

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

Re: State Specifications Office

Section: 353

Proposed Specification: 3530600 Concrete Pavement Slab Replacement.

Dear Mr. Nguyen:

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

The changes are proposed by Alan McMillan to explicitly exempt concrete slab replacement mix design from hot weather verification for mix design approval.

Please review and transmit your comments, if any, within two weeks (10 business days). Comments should be sent via email <a href="mailto:daniel.strickland@dot.state.fl.us">daniel.strickland@dot.state.fl.us</a>.

If you have any questions relating to this specification change, please call me at (850) 414-4130.

Sincerely,

Daniel Strickland, P.E. State Specifications Engineer

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Attachment

cc: Florida Transportation Builders' Assoc.

State Construction Engineer

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## 353-6 Concrete Slab Acceptance and Testing.

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