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September 11, 2023

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: 9900601 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 Olivia Townsend to update the color standard to the current edition.

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

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

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Attachment

cc: Florida Transportation Builders' Assoc. State Construction Engineer

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