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March 2, 2004

Mr. Donald Davis
Program Operations Engineer
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227 N. Bronough Street, Suite 2015
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Re: Office of Design, Specifications
Section 641
Proposed Specification: D6410000.D02 – Prestressed Concrete Poles.

Dear Mr. Davis:

We are resubmitting, for your approval, two copies of a proposed Supplemental Specification for Prestressed Concrete Poles.

These changes were made Ghulam Mujtaba, State Materials Office to require Contractors to obtain precast concrete Prestressed Concrete Poles from a plant that is on the Department's list of qualified precast, prestressed concrete plants.

Please review and transmit your comments, if any, within two weeks. Comments should be sent via Email to SP965DB or duane.brautigam@dot.state.fl.us.

If you have any questions relating to this specification change, please call Duane F. Brautigam, State Specifications Engineer at 414-4110.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

Duane F. Brautigam, P.E.
State Specifications Engineer

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Attachment
cc: General Counsel
Florida Transportation Builders' Assoc.
State Construction Engineer

PRESTRESSED CONCRETE POLES.
(REV ~~10-13-03~~*~~11-20-03~~*~~12-1-03~~*2-24-04*)

SECTION 641 (Pages 702-703) is deleted and the following substituted:

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PRESTRESSED CONCRETE POLES

641-1 Description.

Furnish and install prestressed concrete poles for service pole applications (Type N-II), luminaire support (Type N-III), and strain poles for span wire support of traffic signals, signs, and other devices (multiple types). *Obtain precast, prestressed concrete poles from a manufacturing plant that is currently on the Department's list of qualified precast, prestressed concrete plants and listed on the Departments Qualified Products List (QPL).*

Provide written certification from the manufacturer of the pole(s) that it meets the requirements of this Section and are the same pole(s) listed on the QPL.

Ensure that each pole is permanently and legibly marked in accordance with Design Standards Index No. 17725 including the date cast.

Ensure that each shipment of products to the job site includes a list of products shipped and the required written certification statement for each product. Provide this list and certification(s) to the Engineer.

641-2 Materials.

Meet the following requirements:

Portland Cement Concrete ..... Section 346*
**Class V Special*

641-3 Concrete Pole Construction.

Construct concrete poles in accordance with Section 450. Assume responsibility for performance of all quality control testing and inspections required by Sections 346 and 450, however; the PCI personnel and plant certifications are not required.

641-3~~*4*~~ Installation Requirements.

641-3~~*4*~~.1 General: Furnish poles of the type and length shown on the plans. Provide catenary cable of the size shown on the plans. Ground poles in accordance with Section 620. Install span wire assemblies in accordance with Section 634.

Do not consider the poles acceptable for use if the camber of the pole, measured as the maximum deviation between the centerline of the pole and a straight line connecting the centroids of the cross-sections at each end of the pole, is greater than the total pole length in inches [millimeters] divided by 140].

641-3~~*4*~~.2 Footings: Provide footings 3 feet 6 inches [1 m] in diameter and of the depth specified in the plans for strain poles used for span wire support of traffic signals. Provide footings for all other pole applications as specified in the plans. Construct the footings with Class I concrete as specified in Section 347.

For the excavation and backfill of the footing, meet the requirements specified in 125-4 and 125-8.2 with the exception of the backfill density. In lieu of the requirements for obtaining

the specified density, the Contractor may hand tamp the backfill in 4 inches [100 mm] maximum layers or machine tamp the backfill in 6 inches [150 mm] maximum layers. When performing such operations, ensure that the material is neither dry nor saturated. The Contractor may backfill with concrete.

Use forms, when required, meeting the requirements of 700-8.3. If the footing is cast in an oversize hole, place the concrete in the top 6 inches [150 mm] in a form. Trowel all exposed surfaces to a smooth finish.

641-3~~4~~.3 Orientation of Poles: For poles supporting one catenary wire, orient the pole so that the load face is perpendicular to the catenary wire. For poles supporting two catenary wires, orient the pole so that the load face is perpendicular to a line bisecting the angle between the two catenary wires.

641-4*5* Method of Measurement.

641-4*5*.1 General: Measurement for payment will be in accordance with the following work tasks.

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641-5~~6~~ Basis of Payment.

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Payment will be made under:

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Item No.	2641-	Prestressed Concrete Poles - each.

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