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June 22, 2005

Mr. Donald Davis  
Program Operations Engineer  
Federal Highway Administration  
545 John Knox Road  
Tallahassee, Florida 32303

Re: Office of Design, Specifications  
Section 994  
Proposed Specification: 9940700-Certification

Dear Mr. Davis:

We are submitting, for your approval, two copies of a proposed Supplemental Specification for Certification.

This change was proposed by Stefanie Maxwell of the State Construction Office to specify that certification reports are required for permanent signs but not for signs used in work zones.

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](mailto: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

**CERTIFICATION.  
(REV 5-18-05)**

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