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Mrs. Leslie McCarthy, PhD, P.E.  
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Re: Office of Design, Specifications  
Section 162  
Proposed Specification: 1620101 – Prepared Soil Layer-Description

Dear Mrs. McCarthy:

We are submitting, for your approval, two copies of a proposed Supplemental Specification for Prepared Soil Layer-Description.

This change is correct a reference from 162-4 to Section 987.

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,

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

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Attachment

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

**PREPARED SOIL LAYER-DESCRIPTION.****(REV 2-16-07)**

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