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February 15, 2011

Monica Gourdine  
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545 John Knox Road, Suite 200  
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Re: Office of Design, Specifications  
Section 785  
Proposed Specification: 7850204 Intelligent Transportation Systems – Infrastructure -  
REVISED

Dear Ms. Gourdine:

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

These changes were proposed by Gene Glotzbach to clarify requirements for the use of surge protective devices (SPD).

Please review and transmit your comments, if any, within two weeks. Comments should be sent via Email to SP965RP or rudy.powell@dot.state.fl.us.

If you have any questions relating to this specification change, please call Rudy Powell, State Specifications Engineer at 414-4280.

Sincerely,

Signature on File

Rudy Powell, Jr., P.E.  
State Specifications Engineer

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Attachment

cc: Gregory Jones, Chief Civil Litigation  
Florida Transportation Builders' Assoc.  
State Construction Engineer

**INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS - INFRASTRUCTURE.****(REV ~~11-10-101-31-11~~) (~~FA-1-5-11~~) (7-11)**

SUBARTICLE 785-2.4 (of the Supplemental Specifications) is deleted and the following substituted:

**785-2.4 Surge Protective Devices:**

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**785-2.4.2 ~~Type 1~~ SPD at Power Entry Point:** Install a SPD at the closest termination/disconnection point where the supply circuit enters the ITS device cabinet. Locate the SPD on the load side of the main disconnect and ahead of any and all ITS electronic devices. Configure the SPD to operate at 120 volt single phase (i.e., line, neutral and ground) or 120/240 volt single phase (line 1, line 2, neutral and ground) as required to match the supply circuit configuration. *Ensure that the SPD maximum surge current rating is 80kA per phase or greater.* Verify that the SPD has been labeled to indicate that the unit is UL listed and meets the requirements of UL 1449, Third Edition.

Ensure that the SPD has a visual indication system that monitors the weakest link in each mode and shows normal operation or failure status and also provides one set of normally open (NO)/normally closed (NC) Form C contacts for remote alarm monitoring. The enclosure for a SPD shall have a NEMA 4 rating.

**785-2.4.3 SPD at Point of Use:** Install a SPD at the point the ITS devices receive 120 volt power. Ensure that the units are rated at 15 or 20 amps load and a minimum of 20kA of surge current capacity and configured with receptacles.

Ensure that these units have internal fuse protection and provide common mode (L+N-G) protection.

**785-2.4.4 SPD for Low-Voltage Power, Control, Data and Signal Systems:** Install a specialized SPD on all conductive circuits including, but not limited to, data communication cables, coaxial video cables, and low-voltage power cables. Ensure that these devices comply with the functional requirements shown in Table 785-1 for all available modes (i.e. power L-N, N-G; data and signal center pin-to-shield, L-L, L-G, and shield-G where appropriate).

Circuit Description	Clamping Voltage	Data Rate	Surge Capacity	Maximum Let-Through Voltage
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Table 785-1				
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