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July 22, 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 125
Proposed Specification: 1250081 - General Requirements for Structures and Pipe.

Dear Mr. Davis:

We are resubmitting, for your approval, two copies of a proposed Supplemental Specification for Requirements for Structures and Pipe.

These changes were made David Sadler, State Construction Office to address Density Requirements using a Trench Box when backfilling pipe..

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

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(REV 6-9-04)**

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