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Monica Gourdine
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Federal Highway Administration
545 John Knox Road, Suite 200
Tallahassee, Florida 32303

Re: Office of Design, Specifications
Section 713
Proposed Specification: 7130200 Permanent Tape Stripes and Markings

Dear Ms. Gourdine:

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

These changes were proposed by Chester Henson of the State Roadway Design Office to remove references to FM 5-579 because that method has been moved into FM 5-541, to clarify the retroreflectivity requirements during the observation period, and to renumber references to Section 971 as Article 971-6 was deleted because thermoplastic material hot spray will no longer be used.

Please review and transmit your comments, if any, within four weeks. Comments should be sent via Email to ST986RP 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 414-4110.

Sincerely,

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

RP/dt

Attachment

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

PERMANENT TAPE STRIPES AND MARKINGS.
(REV-5-6-09)

ARTICLE 713-2 (page 807) is deleted and the following substituted:

713-2 Materials.

Use only permanent tape traffic stripes and markings materials listed on the Qualified Products List (QPL), meeting the requirements of 971-1 and 971-~~87~~. The Engineer will take random samples of the materials in accordance with the Department's Sampling, Testing and Reporting Guide schedule.

SUBARTICLE 713-4.1 (pages 807 - 808) is deleted and the following substituted:

713-4.1 Removal of Existing Traffic Stripes: Remove existing traffic stripes and markings, such that scars or traces of removed markings will not conflict with new stripes and markings by a method approved by the Engineer.

Before applying traffic stripes and markings, remove any material by a method approved by the Engineer that would adversely affect the bond of the traffic stripes.

Apply a primer, sealer or surface preparation adhesive of the type recommended by the manufacturer. Ensure the tape stripes and markings adheres to the pavement surface.

Offset longitudinal lines at least 2 inches from construction joints on portland cement concrete pavement.

Apply traffic stripes or markings only to dry surfaces, and when the ambient air and surface temperature is at least 55°F and rising.

Apply striping to the same tolerances in dimensions and in alignment specified in 710-5. When applying traffic stripes and marking over existing markings, ensure that not more than 2 inches on either end and not more than 1 inch on either side of the existing line is visible.

Apply traffic stripes and markings to the pavement by means approved by the Engineer. The stripes and markings shall be installed immediately following the paving operation. Conduct field testing in accordance with FM 5-541 ~~and FM 5-579~~. Remove and replace pavement stripes and markings not meeting the requirements of this Section at no additional cost to the Department.

Apply all final pavement markings prior to opening the road to traffic.

ARTICLE 713-7 (page 808) is deleted and the following substituted:

713-7 Observation Period.

Pavement markings are subject to a 180 day observation period under normal traffic. The observation period shall begin with the satisfactory completion and acceptance of the work.

The pavement markings shall show no signs of failure due to blistering, excessive cracking, chipping, discoloration, poor adhesion to the pavement, loss of reflectivity or vehicular damage. *The retroreflectivity shall meet the initial requirements of 713-4.3.* The Department reserves the right to check the color and retroreflectivity any time prior to the end of the observation period.

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Replace, at no additional expense to the Department, any pavement markings that do not perform satisfactorily under traffic during the 180 day observation period.

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Offset longitudinal lines at least 2 inches from construction joints on portland cement concrete pavement.

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