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Monica Gourdine  
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545 John Knox Road, Suite 200  
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Re: Office of Design, Specifications  
Section **005**  
Proposed Specification: **0050104b Control of Work.**

Dear Ms. Gourdine:

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

These changes were proposed by Charles Boyd of the State Structures Office to clarify that the requirement for providing signed and sealed revised plan sheets applies only to major modifications.

Please review and transmit your comments, if any, within two 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 414-4280.

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

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Minor modifications are those items that, in the opinion of the Engineer, do not significantly affect the quantity of measured work, or the integrity or maintainability of the structure or its components. (For example, adjusting concrete dimensions, substituting steel plate sizes, changing reinforcing bar size and spacing, etc., all within the acceptable limits of the design.)

Major modifications are any modifications that, in the opinion of the Engineer, significantly affect the quantity of measured work, or the integrity or maintainability of the structure or its' components. (For example, substituting alternative beam sizes and spacings, changing material strength or type, and the like.). *Provide signed and sealed revised sheets to the Engineer for any such* ~~required~~ *revisions to the Contract plans prior to submitting shop drawings.*

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