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Khoa Nguyen
Director, Office of Technical Services
Federal Highway Administration
545 John Knox Road, Suite 200
Tallahassee, Florida 32303

Re: State Specifications Office
Section **001**
Proposed Specification: **0010300DB Definitions and Terms.**

Dear Mr. Nguyen:

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

The changes are proposed by Dan Hurtado of the State Construction Office to change the language from "prequalified" to "Department approved" Specialty Engineer. Prequalification is a term referenced by Legislative Rule and does not apply to this category of design professional.

Please review and transmit your comments, if any, within two weeks. Comments should be sent via email to SP965DS or daniel.scheer@dot.state.fl.us.

If you have any questions relating to this specification change, please call me at 414-4130.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

Daniel Scheer, P.E.
State Specifications Engineer

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Attachment

cc: Florida Transportation Builders' Assoc.
State Construction Engineer

DEFINITIONS AND TERMS.

(REV 4-~~16~~28-15)

ARTICLE 1-3, the definition for **Contractor's Engineer of Record** is deleted and the following substituted:

Contractor's Engineer of Record.

A Professional Engineer registered in the State of Florida, other than the Engineer of Record or his subcontracted consultant, who undertakes the design and drawing of components of the permanent structure as part of a redesign or Cost Savings Initiative Proposal, or for repair designs and details of the permanent work. The Contractor's Engineer of Record may also serve as the Specialty Engineer.

The Contractor's Engineer of Record must be an employee of a pre-qualified firm. The firm shall be pre-qualified in accordance with the Rules of the Department of Transportation, Chapter 14-75. Any Corporation or Partnership offering engineering services must hold a Certificate of Authorization from the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation.

As an alternate to being an employee of a pre-qualified firm, the Contractor's Engineer of Record may be a ~~pre-qualified~~Department-approved Specialty Engineer. For items of the permanent work declared by the State Construction Office to be "major" or "structural", the work performed by a ~~pre-qualified~~Department-approved Specialty Engineer must be checked by another ~~pre-qualified~~Department-approved Specialty Engineer. An individual may become a Department-approved Specialty Engineer ~~may become pre-qualified in the work groups listed in the Rules of the Department of Transportation, Chapter 14-75,~~ if the individual meets the Professional Engineer experience requirements ~~for the Professional Engineer are met for set forth within~~ the individual work groups in the Rules of the Department of Transportation, Chapter 14-75. ~~Pre-qualified~~Department-approved Specialty Engineers are listed on the State Construction Office Website. ~~Pre-qualified~~Department-approved Specialty Engineers will not be authorized to perform redesigns or Cost Savings Initiative Proposal designs of items fully detailed in the ~~p~~Plans.

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