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Re: State Specifications Office  
Section: **660**  
Proposed Specification: **6600201-3 Vehicle Detection System.**

Dear Mr. Nguyen:

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

The changes are proposed by Jeff Morgan of the State Traffic Engineering Research Lab (TERL) to update the language for new technology.

Please review and transmit your comments, if any, within two weeks. Comments should be sent via email to [dan.hurtado@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:dan.hurtado@dot.state.fl.us).

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

Sincerely,

Signature on file

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**(REV 5-18-17)**

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Ensure that wired Ethernet interfaces provide a 10/100 Base TX connection. Verify that all unshielded twisted pair/shielded twisted pair network cables and connectors comply with TIA-568.

Ensure wireless communications are secure and that wireless devices are Federal Communications Commission (FCC) certified. Ensure that the FCC

identification number is displayed on an external label and that all detection system devices operate within their FCC frequency allocation.

Ensure cellular communications devices are compatible with the cellular carrier used by the agency responsible for system operation and maintenance.

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**660-2.1.2.2.6 Solid State Detection Outputs:** Ensure outputs meet the requirements of NEMA TS2-2003, 6.5.2.26.

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Ensure that sidfire MVDS sensors used for data collection have a minimum 200-foot range and the capability to detect 8 lanes of traffic.

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Ensure that the detector is FCC-certified and that the FCC identification number is displayed on an external label. Ensure that the detector has been granted authorization to operate within a frequency range established and approved by the FCC.

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