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

Re: Office of Design, Specifications
Section **330**
Proposed Specification: **3300904 Hot Mix Asphalt – General Construction Requirements.**

Dear Ms. Gourdine:

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

These changes were proposed by Greg Sholar of the State Materials Office to clarify requirements for straightedge testing.

Please review and transmit your comments, if any, within two weeks. Comments should be sent via Email to SP965RP 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,

Signature on file

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

RP/dt
Attachment

cc: Calvin Johnson, Chief Civil Litigation
Florida Transportation Builders' Assoc.
State Construction Engineer

HOT MIX ASPHALT – GENERAL CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS.**(REV ~~12-2-11~~-18-12)**

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