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Monica Gourdine  
Program Operations Engineer  
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545 John Knox Road, Suite 200  
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Re: Office of Design, Specifications  
Section 783  
Proposed Specification: **7830102 ITS – Fiber Optic Cable and Interconnect**

Dear Ms. Gourdine:

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

The changes are proposed by Trey Tillander to update the specification to industry and Department standards.

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.  
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Attachment

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

**INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS - FIBER OPTIC CABLE AND INTERCONNECT.**

(REV ~~5-31-11/11-17-11~~) (~~FA 7-28-11~~) (1-12)

SUBARTICLE 783-1.2.1.9.1 (of the Supplemental Specifications) is deleted and the following substituted:

**783-1.2.1.9.1 Operating Temperature:** Ensure that the shipping and the operating temperature range of fiber optic cable meets or exceeds -30° to ~~165~~ 8° F as defined in the environmental requirements section of the NEMA TS 2 standard. Ensure that the installation temperature range of fiber optic cable meets or exceeds -22° to 140° F.

SUBARTICLE 783-3.2.3 (of the Supplemental Specifications) is deleted and the following substituted:

**783-3.2.3 Splice Box:** Use splice boxes at all fiber optic splice locations, as shown in the plans, and at other locations as approved by the Engineer. Ensure that all splice boxes have an open bottom. Ensure that the splice box is equipped with a nonskid cover secured by ~~hex head~~ bolts; cable racks and hooks; pulling eyes; and any other miscellaneous hardware required for installation or as shown in the in the plans.

Ensure that the splice box size is approximately 2.5 feet wide by 5 feet long by 4 feet deep or as shown in the plans. Ensure that the splice box is large enough to house fiber optic cable without subjecting the cable to a bend radius less than 14 times the diameter of the cable.

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**(REV 11-17-11)**

SUBARTICLE 783-1.2.1.9.1 (of the Supplemental Specifications) is deleted and the following substituted:

**783-1.2.1.9.1 Operating Temperature:** Ensure that the shipping and the operating temperature range of fiber optic cable meets or exceeds -30° to 158° F. Ensure that the installation temperature range of fiber optic cable meets or exceeds -22° to 140° F.

SUBARTICLE 783-3.2.3 (of the Supplemental Specifications) is deleted and the following substituted:

**783-3.2.3 Splice Box:** Use splice boxes at all fiber optic splice locations, as shown in the plans, and at other locations as approved by the Engineer. Ensure that all splice boxes have an open bottom. Ensure that the splice box is equipped with a nonskid cover secured by bolts; cable racks and hooks; pulling eyes; and any other miscellaneous hardware required for installation or as shown in the in the plans.

Ensure that the splice box size is approximately 2.5 feet wide by 5 feet long by 4 feet deep or as shown in the plans. Ensure that the splice box is large enough to house fiber optic cable without subjecting the cable to a bend radius less than 14 times the diameter of the cable.