SECTION 03375

FLOWABLE FILL

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.01 SCOPE OF WORK

A. This Section specifies the requirements for flowable fill used for trenches, support for pipe structures, culverts, utility cuts and other works where cavities exist and where firm support is needed for pavements and structural elements. Flowable fill may also be used to fill water and sewer lines, and fuel tanks placed out of service, and at other locations approved by the Engineer of Record.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.01 MATERIALS

The materials used shall conform with the requirements specified in Division III of the F.D.O.T. Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, latest edition, and herein. Specific references are as follows:

Α.	Portland Cement (Types I, II or III)	Section 921.
В.	Fly Ash, Slag and other Pozzolanic Materials for Portland Cement Concrete	Section 929.
C.	Fine Aggregate (Sand)*	Section 902.
D.	Water	Section 923.

*Any clean sand with 100% passing 3/8" sieve and not more than 10% passing with 200 mesh may be used.

2.02 MIX PROPORTIONS

- A. The Contractor shall be responsible for producing a flowable mixture using these guidelines and by adjusting his mixture design as called for by circumstances or as may be directed by the Engineer of Record.
- B. Excavatable flowable fill material shall be proportioned to produce a 28-day compressive strength of 100 psi.

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C. General mix quantities are as follows:

<u>Components</u>	Pounds per Cubic Yard	
Cement	50-100*	
Fly Ash or Granulated Blast Furnace Slag	0-600	
Fine Sand	2,750 (adjust to yield one cubic yard of flowable fill)	
Water	500 (Maximum)	

* The percentage of cement may be increased above these limits only when early strength is required and future removal is unlikely.

- D. Weights for fine aggregate and water shall be adjusted according to cementious content. The mix proportions shall be adjusted for removability, pumpability and flowability. If required, strength test data shall be provided prior to batching.
- E. If required by the Engineer of Record, the flowability can be measured by afflux time determined in accordance with ASTM C 939 and shall be 30 seconds ± 5 seconds as measured on mortar passing the No. 4 sieve. The equipment required to perform this test shall be provided by the Contractor.

2.03 APPROVED MIXES OF "EXCAVATABLE FLOWABLE FILL"

FDOT - Approved Design Mixes for Dade County

<u>Plant</u>	<u>Mix Number</u>
Tarmac	04-FF-65
Rinker Materials Corp.	04-FF-52
Central Concrete Supermix Inc.	06-FF-41
Cemex	06-FF-48

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.01 PRODUCTION AND PLACING

Flowable fill shall be produced and delivered using concrete construction equipment. Placing flowable fill shall be done by chute, pumping or other methods approved by the Engineer of Record.

3.02 CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

The flowable fill shall be placed to the designated fill line without vibration or other means of compaction. Placement shall be avoided during inclement weather, e.g. rain or ambient temperatures below 40 degrees F. The Contractor shall take all necessary precautions to prevent any damages caused by the hydraulic pressure of the fill during placement prior to hardening. Also, necessary means to confine the material within the designated space shall be provided by the Contractor.

3.03 ACCEPTANCE

- A. The flowable fill shall be proportioned and placed as specified herein. In general, the strength desired is the maximum hardness that can be excavated at a later dated using conventional excavating equipment. No curing protection is required.
- B. The fill shall be left undisturbed until material obtains sufficient strength. Sufficient strength is 250 psi penetration resistance as measured using a hand held penetrometer. The penetrometer shall be provided by the Contractor.
- C. All flowable fill areas subject to traffic loads must have a durable riding surface.
- D. An approved type of accelerator may be approved for the placement of "Flowable Fill" in traffic areas when submitted to the Department for D.O.T. approval.

END OF SECTION