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ANCHOR BOLT NOTES:

PROCEDURE FOR TIGHTENING ANCHOR BOLT NUTS ON OVERHEAD SIGN TRUSS.

1) THIS WORK SHALL BE PERFORMED ONLY ON DAYS WITH WINDS LESS THAN 15 MPH. ALL TIGHTENING OF THE NUTS IS TO BE DONE IN THE PRESENCE OF THE INSPECTOR. ONCE THE TIGHTENING PROCEDURE IS STARTED IT MUST BE COMPLETED ON ALL OF THE BASE PLATE NUTS WITHOUT PAUSE OR DELAY.

2) PROPERLY SIZED WRENCHES DESIGNED FOR TIGHTENING NUTS AND/OR BOLTS SHALL BE USED TO AVOID ROUNDING OR OTHER DAMAGE TO THE NUTS. ADJUSTABLE END OR PIPE WRENCHES MAY NOT BE USED.

3) BASE PLATE, ANCHOR RODS AND NUTS ARE TO BE FREE OF ANY DIRT OR DEBRIS.

4) APPLY STICK WAX OR BEES WAX TO THE THREADS AND BEARING SURFACES OF THE ANCHOR BOLT, NUTS, AND WASHERS.

5) TIGHTEN TOP NUTS SO THEY FULLY CONTACT THE BASE PLATE. TIGHTEN LEVELING NUTS TO SNUG TIGHT CONDITION. SNUG TIGHT IS DEFINED AS THE FULL EFFORT OF ONE PERSON ON A WRENCH WITH A LENGTH EQUAL TO 14 TIMES THE BOLT DIAMETER BUT NOT LESS THAN 18 INCHES. APPLY THE FULL EFFORT AS CLOSE TO THE END OF THE WRENCH AS POSSIBLE. PULL FIRMLY BY LEANING BACK AND USING ENTIRE BODY WEIGHT ON THE END OF THE WRENCH UNTIL THE NUT STOPS ROTATING. USE A MINIMUM OF TWO SEPARATE PASSES OF TIGHTENING. SEQUENCE THE TIGHTENING IN EACH PASS SO THAT THE NUT ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, WILL BE SUBSEQUENTLY TIGHTENED UNTIL ALL OF THE NUTS IN THAT PASS HAVE BEEN TIGHTENED.

6) TIGHTEN TOP NUTS TO SNUG TIGHT AS DESCRIBED FOR THE LEVELING NUTS.

7) MATCH-MARK THE TOP NUTS AND BASE PLATE USING PAINT, CRAYON, OR OTHER APPROVED MEANS TO PROVIDE A REFERENCE FOR DETERMINING THE RELATIVE ROTATION OF THE NUT AND BASE PLATE DURING TIGHTENING. USING A STRIKING OR HYDRAULIC WRENCH, FURTHER TIGHTEN THE TOP NUTS IN TWO PASSES AS LISTED IN THE FOLLOWING TABLE. USE A SEQUENCE OF TIGHTENING IN EACH PASS SO THAT THE NUT ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, WILL BE SUBSEQUENTLY TIGHTENED UNTIL ALL NUTS IN THAT PASS HAVE BEEN TURNED. DO NOT ROTATE THE LEVELING NUT DURING THE TOP NUT TIGHTENING.

ANCHOR BOLT SIZE	FIRST PASS	SECOND PASS	TOTAL ROTATION
LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 1 1/2"	1/6 TURN	1/6 TURN	1/3 TURN
GREATER THAN 1 1/2"	1/12 TURN	1/12 TURN	1/6 TURN

8) LUBRICATE, PLACE AND TIGHTEN THE JAM NUTS TO SNUG TIGHT.

DESIGN STRESSES:

DESIGN STRESSES FOR MATERIALS ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH A.A.S.H.T.O STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR STRUCTURAL SUPPORTS FOR HIGHWAY SIGN, LUMINAIRES AND TRAFFIC SIGNALS, SERIES OF 2001 WITH 2002 AND 2003 INTERIMS.

ALUMINUM WELDING NOTES:

1) FABRICATION SHALL CONFORM TO SECTION 6.9 OF AASHTO 2001 STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR STRUCTURAL SUPPORTS FOR HIGHWAY SIGNS, LUMINAIRES AND TRAFFIC SIGNALS, EXCEPT AS MODIFIED BY THE FOLLOWING NOTES.

2) ALL WELDING SHALL BE DONE BY GAS METAL-ARC WELDING (GMAW) PROCESS.

3) ONLY STRINGER BEAD TECHNIQUE SHALL BE USED IN WELDING. NO WEAVE BEAD TECHNIQUE IS ALLOWED.

4) INTERPASS TEMPERATURE SHALL NOT EXCEED 200°F.

5) TACK WELD ENDS SHALL BE FILLED AND NOT TERMINATE IN CRATERS. IF A TACK WELD IS CRACKED, THE CRACK SHALL BE REMOVED BEFORE WELDING BEGINS.

6) ALL INITIAL ROOT PASSES SHALL NOT EXCEED 5/16 INCH AND MUST PENETRATE THE ROOT.

7) THE CONVEXITY OF FILLET WELD SHALL NOT EXCEED 1/16 INCH.

8) THE ENTIRE STRUCTURE SHALL BE CLEANED BEFORE SHIPPING.

9) TUBES SHOULD BE MILLED TO THE REQUIRED RADII WITH THE MAXIMUM GAP AT ANY POINT NOT GREATER THAN 1/16 INCH

10) ALL AREAS OF WELDING MUST BE BRUSHED WITH STAINLESS STEEL BRUSHES IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO MAKING THE WELDS.

11) ONLY MICROSCOPICALLY CLEAN WELDING WIRES (THOSE WHICH HAVE BEEN SHAVED AFTER DRAWING) SHOULD BE USED AND SPOOLS OF WIRE REMAINING AT THE END OF THE DAY'S PRODUCTION SHOULD BE SEALED IN POLYETHYLENE BAGS. WIRE NOT SO PROTECTED SHOULD BE DISCARDED. THIS INCLUDES WIRE IN THE DRIVE ROLLS AND GUN.

12) FORCED FITS MUST BE AVOIDED AND ONLY DOWN HAND WELDING IS ALLOWED.

13) ALL WELD CRATERS MUST BE ELIMINATED AND WELDS SHOULD CARRY THROUGH TIGHT AREAS WITHOUT STOPPING WHEN POSSIBLE.

14) ALUMINUM FILLER ALLOY ER5356 OR ER5556 SHALL BE USED.

STAINLESS STEEL BOLTING NOTES:

1) UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED ON THE PLAN, ALL STAINLESS STEEL BOLTS AND U-BOLTS SHALL BE FURNISHED WITH STAINLESS STEEL REGULAR HEXAGONAL NUTS, JAM NUTS AND WASHERS UNDER BOTH HEADS AND NUTS.

2) IN CASE STAINLESS STEEL LOCK WASHERS ARE USED IN LIEU OF JAM NUTS, THE REGULAR WASHERS UNDER NUTS ARE TO BE OMITTED.

STEEL NOTES:

ALL STEEL SHAPES, BARS, AND PLATES SHALL COMPLY WITH ASTM A36 EXCEPT MINOR PARTS APPROVED BY THE ENGINEER MAY COMPLY WITH ASTM A575 GRADE M1020. ALL STEEL PIPE SHALL COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ASTM A53 GRADE B, TYPE E OR S. STAINLESS STEEL BOLTS SHALL COMPLY WITH ASTM A-320 OR F593 AS PER STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS.

ALL STEEL SECTIONS SHALL BE HOT DIPPED GALVANIZED AFTER FABRICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ASTM A123. PROVIDE VENT HOLES FOR GALVANIZING.

STEEL WELDING SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CURRENT EDITION OF THE AWS SPECIFICATIONS D1.1, STRUCTURAL WELDING CODE-STEEL.

MAGNETIC PARTICLE TESTING SHALL BE PREFORMED ON THE POST TO BASE PLATE AND STIFFENER FILLET WELDS.

SPECIFICATIONS:

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CONSTRUCTION: IOWA D.O.T. STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS, SERIES 2001 PLUS APPLICABLE GENERAL SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS, DEVELOPMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS, SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS SHALL APPLY TO CONSTRUCTION WORK ON THIS PROJECT.

GENERAL NOTES:

ALL SIGN TRUSSES ARE DESIGNED FOR 30 lb/ft² WIND PRESSURE ON TRUSS MEMBERS AND SIGN PANELS.

ALL ROUND TUBES, SIGN SUPPORT, BARS, AND PLATES FOR THE OVERHEAD SIGN TRUSS SHALL BE ALUMINUM ALLOY 6061-T6 UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED OR SHOWN.

ALL DIAMETERS OF ALUMINUM TUBING SHOWN ARE OUTSIDE DIAMETERS.

ALL PIPES, SHAPES, AND PLATES FOR THE END SUPPORT FRAMES SHALL BE STRUCTURAL STEEL COMPLYING WITH THE ASTM SPECIFICATIONS NOTED.

SHOP DRAWINGS SHALL BE SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL.

SHOP DRAWINGS SHALL INDICATE LEFT AND RIGHT SUPPORTS.

THE PRECISE ALIGNING AND ERECTING OF ALL COMPONENTS OF THE OVERHEAD SIGN TRUSS AND ITS SUPPORTS SHALL BE CONSIDERED ESSENTIAL. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL SUBMIT DOCUMENTATION TO THE ENGINEER SHOWING THAT THE VARIOUS COMPONENTS HAVE BEEN MEASURED AND ARE LOCATED WITHIN THE TOLERANCES LISTED BELOW.

FOUNDATIONS AND ANCHOR BOLTS:

1) EACH FOUNDATION SHALL BE ACCURATELY LOCATED, WITH THE CENTER OF THE TWO ANCHOR BOLT GROUPS NOT MORE THAN 1 INCH FROM THE PLAN LOCATION IN THE DIRECTION PARALLEL WITH AND PERPENDICULAR TO THE OVERHEAD TRUSS.

2) THE TWO FOUNDATIONS SHALL BE PARALLEL, WITH THE DISTANCES ALONG THE OVERHEAD TRUSS BETWEEN CENTERS OF FRONT AND REAR ANCHOR BOLT GROUPS DIFFERING BY NOT MORE THAN 1 INCH.

3) ELEVATIONS OF THE TOP OF EACH FOUNDATION SHALL BE WITHIN 1 INCH OF PLAN ELEVATION.

4) ANCHOR BOLT GROUPS SHALL BE LOCATED ACCURATELY BY TEMPLATE OR OTHER POSITIVE MEANS, WITH CENTERS OF ADJACENT ANCHOR BOLT GROUPS WITHIN 3/8 INCH OF THE CORRECT DISTANCE APART.

5) ANCHOR BOLTS SHALL BE PLUMB WITHIN 1/4 INCH PER FOOT FROM VERTICAL.

6) ANCHOR BOLTS SHALL PROJECT ABOVE TOP OF FOUNDATION WITHIN 1/4 INCH OF THE PLAN DIMENSION.

7) WELDING OF ANCHOR BOLTS SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL OBTAIN A TEMPLATE FROM THE MANUFACTURER / FABRICATOR FOR PROPER PLACEMENT OF THE ANCHOR BOLTS.

COMPLETED ALUMINUM AND STEEL STRUCTURE:

1) EACH TRUSS SUPPORT COLUMN SHALL BE PLUMB WITHIN 1/16 INCH PER FOOT OF VERTICAL IN TWO PERPENDICULAR DIRECTIONS.

2) STICK-OUT OF EACH TRUSS LOWER CHORD SHALL BE WITHIN 2 3/4 AND 5 1/2 INCHES MEASURED FROM OUTER U-BOLT TO INSIDE OF CHORD END PLATE.

3) THE TRUSS SHALL BE SQUARE WITHIN SUPPORTS. HORIZONTAL LINE BETWEEN CHORDS SHALL BE LEVEL WITHIN 1/16 INCH PER FOOT OF HORIZONTAL, AND VERTICAL LINE BETWEEN CHORDS SHALL BE PLUMB WITHIN 1/16 INCH PER FOOT OF VERTICAL.

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