Comments: (12-20-19, Internal)
Suggested edits are shown in the attachment. Most are highlighted in yellow.

Response:

The first sentence of the second paragraph was revised to: “Based on the results of a full height test wall constructed by each Contractor or MSE wall sub-contractor, the Engineer will approve each Contractor’s or MSE wall sub-contractor’s specified compaction procedures.”

The second to last sentence of the second paragraph was revised to: “Lower height walls may be constructed using these procedures until a full height test wall is constructed.”

The second sentence of the fourth paragraph was revised to: “If the thick lift density does not meet or exceed the thick lift density results during the test wall, perform dig down density tests to verify the density of the bottom 6 inches of the lift.”
1. Why are they replacing “contractor” with “each MSE wall sub-contractor”? And why only in the second paragraph? What if contractor is self-performing? Suggest leaving it at “contractor” or at least something like “contractor or each MSE wall sub-contractor…”

Response: Agree – revised to “the Contractor’s or each MSE wall sub-contractor’s” prior to Industry Review.

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Comments: (1-2-20, Industry)
548-8.5.2, second paragraph, last sentence: Recommend hyphenating "full height" to read "...a full-height test wall..."; 548-8.5.2, fourth paragraph, second sentence: Recommend hyphenating "dig down" to read "Perform dig-down density tests..."; 548-8.5.2, LOT measurement: Recommend clarifying measurement definition; rather than "500 feet", perhaps "500-feet long" or "500 linear feet".
Response:
To be addressed by State Specifications Office. Changes were made.
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