

SP4550507DB STRUCTURES FOUNDATIONS (DESIGN BUILD)
COMMENTS FROM INTERNAL/INDUSTRY REVIEW

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Comments: (11-19-19, Internal)

I do not think this revision is necessary for two reasons. One is that a floating template would not meet the existing requirement for a fixed template. If a contractor was allowed to use a floating template then this shows a need for education, not a spec change.

The second reason is that a fixed template can be achieved and it may even be attached to a barge. If the barge is designed properly and using a support system to the ground and then is jacked up to remove the buoyancy then the system is stable and will perform adequately.

Response: The language was modified indicating that the Engineer may allow the use of floating templates if the Contractor demonstrates that pile alignment, horizontal position and vertical position can be maintained. This was discussed and concurred with Larry Jones from the Structures Design Office. Change has been made.

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The amendment needs to be more clearly described. What do the words in parentheses mean – are they intended to provide clarity? Why are parentheses needed?

Response: Change has been made.
