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The only question would be why would you specify galvanized fasteners for aluminum guardrail. I would have to believe the dissimilar metals would cause a galvanic reaction and be detrimental to the longevity of the aluminum guardrail

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Dear Mr. Brautigam:

I am a metallurgical consultant who has done field evaluation of guardrail produced by the continuous method by Gregory Industries. Based on these observations, I regard the product produced by this method at least the equal of product 'batch' galvanized after forming.

Consequently **I favor the minor modification of specification 967-1.**

This position is supported by ample excellent field performance of rail elements so galvanized, including the test installation in the Florida Keys. Such rail will meet all the requirements of AASHTO spec 180 and all the performance requirements of ASTM 123. Gregory Industries has indicated that guardrail produced by this method is regularly supplied to all other states east of the Rockies and to additional western states where it has been marketed.

According to the "Specification Development" document issued by your office, item 4.5, one can request a summary of responses to proposed changes. Please consider this communication as my request to receive such responses or a summary thereof.

Thank you

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