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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 OVERVIEW OF PROJECT 0-1774

The project entitled, "Effect of Wrapping Chloride Contaminated Structural concrete with Multiple Layers of Glass Fiber composites and Resin," started in 1997. The preliminary phases of the project have been reported in CTR Research Report 0-1774-1, "Evaluation and Performance Monitoring of Corrosion Protection by Fiber-Reinforced Concrete Wrapping" (Verhulst 2001). In order to study the effects of using FRP wraps, a wide range of variables were considered such as cast-in chlorides, cracks, repairs, wet surfaces, wrap length, and presence of corrosion inhibitor. The specimens were placed in a tank and exposed to a 3.5% saline solution in order to accelerate the corrosive process. The characteristics of the initial series of specimens and their current status are shown in Appendix Table A-1. At the time the report was prepared, the experiment had not been active long enough to develop conclusions regarding the feasibility of using FRP wrapping.

After approximately three years of exposure to the aggressive environment of the soaking tank, all specimens in this study had signs of corrosion. Observations were reported in CTR Report 0-1774-2, "Effects of Wrapping Chloride Contaminated Concrete with Fiber Reinforced Plastics" (Berver 2001). The effects of using FRP as a corrosion mitigation solution were more apparent after being exposed for this length of time. Berver removed 10 columns and 4 beams from the corrosive environment and conducted autopsies that were included in Report 0-1774-2. Berver concluded that the FRP wrapping systems were effective in providing a physical barrier to the chlorides and the moisture. However, corrosion was not significantly reduced as moisture was able to enter the specimens from areas of exposed concrete and develop macrocells. In 2000, Berver constructed 19 additional specimens in which the primary variable was the effectiveness of 4 different corrosion inhibitors. Those specimens are listed in Appendix Table A-4. The construction details were included in Report 0-1774-2.

The results of a detailed examination of 9 column and 4 beam specimens that were removed from the exposure tank were presented in Report 0-1774-3. Half-cell potential readings were taken at small intervals over the entire surface of specimens after the FRP wrapping was removed. Extensive chloride-content sampling was carried out to supplement the half-cell potential readings. Chloride contents were compared with half-cell potential readings and with visual observations of the condition of reinforcing bars that were extracted from the concrete as the final step of the "autopsy" process.

1.2 RESEARCH OBJECTIVE

The objective of TxDOT Project 0-1774 is to determine the long-term effectiveness of FRP composite wraps in extending the life of reinforced concrete structures. The challenge is to establish a comprehensive database so that the influence of a wide range of variables included in the test program can be determined and guidelines for use of wrapping techniques to extend the service life of reinforced connector structures in a corrosive environment.

1.3 OBJECTIVE OF THE REPORT

The main focus of Project 0-1774 is the development of an understanding of the longterm effects of fiber reinforced plastic (FRP) composite wraps in preventing corrosion. The specific goal of this report is to examine the behavior of specimens that represent the support structure typical of reinforced concrete bridges. A key feature of the project is to ascertain whether FRP wraps provide effective barriers against the transportation of chlorides into the concrete and to assess the likelihood that the impermeable nature of the wraps may trap chlorides and moisture beneath the wrap and accelerate the corrosive process.

The procedures used to asses the condition were described in Report 0-1774-3. The purpose of this report is to document the performance of all remaining tests and to propose design guidelines for use of wrapping techniques to protect bridge structures in a corrosive environment.

The condition of 43 specimens remaining under exposure testing in 2005 was assessed through a detailed examination of each specimen. The data was added to that discussed in Reports 0-1774-2 and 0-1774-3. The details of all the specimens fabricated and subjected to corrosive conditions are tabulated and described as follows:

- Characteristics of all specimens (cast in 1998 and 2000).
- Chronological record of half-cell readings of all specimens
- Half-cell and chloride content readings of all specimens after removal from exposure testing and removal of wrapping material.
- A detailed description of the condition of each of the 43 tests autopsied after 5-7 years of exposure

In addition, an update of the condition of bridge support structures in the Lubbock District that were wrapped with glass composites is reported. These bridges provide a valuable source for evaluating the effectiveness of wrapping to reduce corrosion activity in the field for comparison with findings in the laboratory.

Chapter 2

Presentation of Experimental Data*

2.1 INTRODUCTION

A complete listing of the specimens cast in 1998 and their properties is presented in Table 2.1. The properties of additional specimens cast in 2000 are presented in Table 2.2. All the specimens remaining in the exposure tank after 2003 (end of the period reported in CTR Report 0-1774-3) were removed from the exposure tank for a detailed examination. Twenty-two specimens were removed and autopsied in Spring 2005 and 21 specimens in Fall 2005. These specimens have been highlighted in Table 2.1 and Table 2.2. In this supplementary report, the performance of the highlighted specimens has been evaluated and compared.

To understand how effective the FRP wrap was in preventing corrosion activity, the results are divided into two main sections: unwrapped versus wrapped. After comparing the behavior of the wrapped and unwrapped specimens, the other parameters were analyzed.

For each of the specimens reported in this supplement, a detailed description is included in Appendix A. Information gathered during the visual inspection of each specimen, including inspection of the exterior of specimens as well as the condition of reinforcing bars extracted from each specimen is presented. Half-cell readings across the surface of the concrete cylinders and beams are presented graphical to identify locations of corrosion activity. Contours of the potential across the entire surface in two-dimensions are generated to create a more effective picture of where corrosion is most likely to have occurred. Figure 2.1 shows the eight lines along which half-cell readings were taken for columns.

^{*} This chapter supplements chapter 4 of Report 0-1774-3



Figure 2.1 Location of half cell readings

Chloride content measurements were conducted at the same locations as the half-cell readings were taken. The chloride content was determined at various depths and the chloride content profiles were graphed. A photograph of the reinforcing bars is presented for each specimen and areas of corrosion are highlighted. The results are tabulated in this chapter and details of each specimen are provided in Appendix A.

In Table 2.3, the chronological record of half-cell readings of all the specimens cast in 1998 is given. The chronological record of half-cell readings of specimens cast in 2000 is shown in Table 2.4. Average chloride concentrations and half-cell potential readings are determined in the wrapped and unwrapped portions of each specimen in table 2.5. The values in Table 2.5 provide an overview of effect of FRP wrapping. The specimens examined and discussed in this report are highlighted.

| a . | Built in | XX 7 | D. | Surface at | Crack | Repair | Corrosion |
|----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|
| Specimen | chlorides | wrap | Resin | wrapping | Condition | Material | Inhibitor |
| | yes | della-24 | Tylo S | ury | unorookod | IMC | nona |
| | yes | gen/del-50 | Tylo S | devi | uncracked | EC | none |
| | yes | delta-24 | Tylo S | dry | uncracked | EG | none |
| 005 | yes | | 1 910 5 | dry | uncracked | | none |
| | yes | generic-36 | 862 | dry | cracked | patch | none |
| 007 | yes | generic-36 | Vinyl ester | dry | cracked | patch | Terrogard |
| | yes | delta-24 | Tyfo S | dry | cracked | none | none |
| CC8 | yes | delta-36" | Tyfo S | dry | cracked | LMC | none |
| 0010 | yes | delta-24 | Tyto S | dry | uncracked | none | none |
| CC10 | yes | none | none | dry | uncracked | none | ferrogard |
| CCII | yes | none | none | dry | uncracked | none | none |
| CC12 | yes | generic-30" | 862 | wet | cracked | none | none |
| CC13 | no | generic-24" | 862 | dry | cracked | none | none |
| CC14 | yes | generic-24" | 862 | dry | uncracked | LMC | ferrogard |
| CC15 | yes | generic-24" | 862 | dry | cracked | none | ferrogard |
| CC16 | yes | none | none | dry | uncracked | EG | none |
| CC17 | no | none | none | dry | uncracked | LMC | none |
| CC18 | yes | none | none | dry | cracked | none | none |
| CC18 | yes | none | none | dry | cracked | none | none |
| CC19 | yes | generic-24" | vinyl ester | dry | uncracked | LMC | none |
| CC20 | yes | generic-24" | vinyl ester | dry | uncracked | none | ferrogard |
| CC21 | yes | none | none | dry | cracked | none | ferrogard |
| CNC1 | no | generic-27" | 862 | wet | cracked | patch | none |
| CNC2 | no | generic-36" | 862 | dry | cracked | none | none |
| CNC3 | no | generic-24" | 862 | dry | uncracked | none | ferrogard |
| CNC4 | no | delta-24" | Tyfo S | dry | uncracked | none | none |
| CNC5 | | delta-36" | Tyfo S | dry | cracked | none | none |
| CNC6 | no | generic-24" | vinyl ester | wet | cracked | patch | none |
| CNC7 | no | none | none | dry | uncracked | none | ferrogard |
| CNC8 | no | none | none | dry | cracked | none | ferrogard |
| | | | | | | LMC, | |
| CNC9 | no | generic-24" | vinyl ester | dry | uncracked | patch | none |
| CNC10 | no | delta-24" | Tyfo S | dry | cracked | none | none |
| CNC11 | | | | dan | un ana alta d | LMC, Datab | |
| CNCII | по | none | none | dry | uncracked | FG | none |
| CNC12 | | none | none | dry | uncracked | natch | none |
| CNC13 | no | generic-24" | 862 | drv | cracked | none | ferrogard |
| CNC14 | no | generic-36" | 862 | drv | cracked | none | ferrogard |
| CNC15 | no | none | none | dry | cracked | none | none |
| CNC16 | no | delta-24" | Tyfo S | dry | uncracked | LMC | none |
| | 110 | | 1,10.5 | ury | uncidence | | |

Table 2.1 Characteristics of specimens cast in 1998

| | Built in | | | Surface at | Crack | Repair | Corrosion |
|----------|-----------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Specimen | chlorides | Wrap | Resin | Wrapping | Condition | Material | Inhibitor |
| CNC17 | no | delta-24" | Tyfo S | dry | uncracked | EG | none |
| CNC19 | no | generic-24" | 862 | dry | uncracked | none | none |
| CNC20 | no | none | none | dry | uncracked | none | none |
| RC1 | yes | generic-27" | 862 | dry | uncracked | LMC | ferrogard |
| RC2 | | generic-31" | vinyl ester | dry | cracked | none | none |
| RC3 | yes | delta-24" | | dry | cracked | None | none |
| RC4 | yes | none | none | dry | cracked | none | none |
| RC5 | yes | delta-27" | | dry | uncracked | LMC | none |
| RC6 | yes | gen/del-33" | 862 | dry | uncracked | LMC | none |
| RC7 | yes | generic-30" | 862 | dry | cracked | none | none |
| RC8 | yes | none | none | dry | uncracked | LMC | none |
| RC9 | yes | gen/delta-24" | 862 | dry | cracked | none | ferrogard |
| RNC1 | no | delta-24" | | dry | uncracked | none | none |
| RNC2 | no | none | none | dry | uncracked | none | none |
| RNC3 | | generic-27" | 862 | dry | uncracked | none | ferrogard |
| RNC4 | no | generic-36" | vinyl ester | dry | uncracked | LMC | none |
| | | | delta | | | | |
| RNC5 | no | delta-30" | system | dry | cracked | none | none |
| RNC6 | no | gen/delta-30" | 862 | dry | cracked | LMC | none |
| RNC7 | no | none | none | dry | cracked | none | none |
| RNC8 | no | generic-24" | 862 | dry | cracked | none | none |

Notes

- The highlighted specimens are those that have been autopsied and reported in this report.
 First letter of specimen name corresponds to cylinders (C) or beams (R). If second letter is "N" there are no built in chlorides.

| Specimen | Wrap | Resin | Surface at Wrapping | Crack. Condition | Corrosion Inhibitor |
|----------|-----------|--------|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | delta-24" | Tyfo S | dry | Cracked | Surtreat |
| 2 | delta-36" | Tyfo S | dry | Cracked | Surtreat |
| 3 | delta-24" | Tyfo S | dry | Uncracked | Surtreat |
| 4 | delta-36" | Tyfo S | dry | Uncracked | Surtreat |
| 5 | delta-24" | Tyfo S | dry | Cracked | Cortec |
| 6 | delta-36" | Tyfo S | dry | Cracked | Cortec |
| 7 | delta-24" | Tyfo S | dry | Uncracked | Cortec |
| 8 | delta-36" | Tyfo S | dry | Uncracked | Cortec |
| 9 | delta-24" | Tyfo S | dry | Cracked | Sika |
| 10 | delta-36" | Tyfo S | dry | Cracked | Sika |
| 11 | delta-24" | Tyfo S | dry | Uncracked | Sika |
| 12 | delta-36" | Tyfo S | dry | Uncracked | Sika |
| 13 | delta-24" | Tyfo S | dry | Cracked | None |
| 14 | delta-36" | Tyfo S | dry | Cracked | None |
| 15 | delta-24" | Tyfo S | dry | Uncracked | None |
| 16 | delta-36" | Tyfo S | dry | Uncracked | None |
| 19 | none | Tyfo S | dry | Cracked | None |

Table 2.2 Characteristics of specimens cast in 2000

Notes

• The highlighted specimens are those that have been autopsied and reported in this report.

| Specimen | 10/15/00 | 2/5/01 | 2/15/02 | 3/5/02 | 1/10/03 | 2/10/03 | 12/4/03 | 12/16/03 | 4/27/03 | 4/19/05 | 10/25/05 |
|----------|----------|--------|---------|--------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|----------|
| CC1 | -298 | | -304 | -250 | -322 | -319 | -360 | -313 | -355 | -265 | |
| CC2 | -211 | | -276 | -247 | -280 | -271 | -300 | -41 | -373 | -240 | -322 |
| CC3 | -183 | -225 | | | | | | | | | |
| CC4 | -238 | | -271 | -165 | -206 | -194 | -265 | -353 | -317 | -247 | |
| CC5 | -438 | -460 | | | | | | | | | |
| CC6 | -437 | -460 | | | | | | | | | |
| CC7 | | -610 | | | | | | | | | |
| CC8 | -324 | | -323 | -304 | -472 | -481 | -285 | -301 | -391 | -251 | -240 |
| CC9 | -270 | | -301 | -221 | -314 | -284 | -300 | -1 | -334 | -210 | -329 |
| CC10 | -398 | | -485 | -398 | -485 | -412 | | | | | |
| CC11 | -432 | | -536 | -252 | -549 | -485 | | | | | |
| CC12 | -269 | | -335 | -237 | -262 | -250 | -350 | -18 | -244 | -250 | -210 |
| CC13 | -440 | | -473 | -433 | | | | | | | |
| CC14 | -344 | | -307 | -285 | -274 | -281 | -390 | -343 | -512 | -437 | |
| CC15 | -330 | | -393 | -324 | -427 | -360 | | | | | |
| CC16 | -324 | | -526 | -440 | -510 | -460 | -550 | -480 | -556 | -620 | -411 |
| CC17 | -385 | | -489 | -430 | | | | | | | |
| CC18 | | -590 | -536 | -485 | -578 | -498 | | | | | |
| CC19 | -248 | | -289 | -266 | -300 | -270 | -550 | -466 | -578 | -415 | |
| CC20 | -291 | | -357 | -294 | -352 | -320 | -370 | -280 | -404 | -430 | |
| CC21 | -389 | | -536 | -446 | -508 | -429 | -530 | -457 | -528 | -577 | -412 |
| RC1 | -266 | | -485 | -394 | -304 | -170 | -450 | -390 | -431 | -465 | |
| RC2 | -377 | | -500 | -488 | | | | | | | |
| RC3 | -359 | | -343 | -257 | -328 | -317 | | | | | |
| RC4 | | -610 | | | | | | | | | |
| RC5 | -250 | | -208 | -170 | -127 | -135 | | | | | |
| RC6 | -135 | | -123 | -110 | -145 | -220 | -265 | -904 | -516 | -420 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |

Table 2.3 Chronological record of half-cell readings in the exposure tank, of specimens cast in 1998

| Specimen | 10/15/00 | 2/5/01 | 2/15/02 | 3/5/02 | 1/10/03 | 2/10/03 | 12/4/03 | 12/16/03 | 4/27/03 | 4/19/05 | 10/25/05 |
|----------|----------|--------|---------|--------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|----------|
| RC8 | -377 | | -513 | -408 | -471 | -260 | -470 | -313 | -535 | -366 | |
| RC9 | -297 | | -246 | -201 | -204 | -151 | -620 | -222 | -432 | -253 | |
| RNC1 | -226 | | -165 | -140 | -222 | -221 | | | | | |
| RNC2 | -434 | | -273 | -350 | -456 | -416 | | | | | |
| RNC3 | -389 | | -396 | -347 | | | | | | | |
| RNC4 | -265 | | -267 | -235 | -173 | -200 | -350 | -360 | -380 | -310 | -405 |
| RNC5 | -385 | | -328 | -295 | -127 | -260 | -710 | -343 | -389 | -424 | -435 |
| RNC6 | -242 | -230 | | | | | | | | | |
| RNC7 | -472 | -470 | | | | | | | | | |
| RNC8 | -250 | | -314 | -230 | -250 | -314 | -284 | -220 | -326 | -222 | |
| CNC1 | -326 | | -360 | -325 | -398 | -374 | -460 | -422 | -483 | | -406 |
| CNC2 | -401 | | -407 | -376 | -416 | -407 | -460 | -477 | -503 | -406 | -440 |
| CNC3 | -274 | | -375 | -258 | -349 | -309 | -420 | -411 | -445 | -305 | |
| CNC4 | -386 | | -345 | -305 | -325 | -298 | -420 | -418 | -451 | -442 | -392 |
| CNC5 | -403 | | -413 | -378 | | | | | | | |
| CNC6 | -356 | | -451 | -380 | -485 | -455 | | | | | |
| CNC7 | -487 | | -523 | -448 | -506 | -483 | -610 | -541 | -581 | -200 | -466 |
| CNC8 | | -410 | | | | | | | | | |
| CNC9 | -327 | | -307 | -416 | -439 | -417 | -480 | -451 | -486 | -419 | |
| CNC10 | -319 | -350 | | | | | | | | | |
| CNC11 | -422 | | -541 | -492 | -549 | -510 | | | | | |
| CNC12 | -535 | | -506 | -465 | | | | | | | |
| CNC13 | | -600 | | | | | | | | | |
| CNC14 | | -540 | | | | | | | | | |
| CNC15 | -418 | | -393 | -485 | -575 | -393 | -525 | -3 | -524 | -410 | |
| CNC16 | -267 | | -332 | -292 | -319 | -314 | | | | | |
| CNC17 | -227 | | -297 | -229 | -272 | -255 | | | | | |
| CNC18 | -216 | | -323 | -263 | -306 | -297 | -380 | -404 | -421 | -354 | |
| CNC19 | | -560 | | | | | | | | | |
| CNC20 | -409 | | -572 | -512 | -563 | -487 | | | | | |

| Specimen | Half-cell readings in tank (mV) | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------|---------------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|--|--|--|
| | 2/15/2002 | 3/5/2002 | 1/10/2003 | 2/10/2003 | 12/4/2003 | 12/16/2003 | 27/04/2003 | 4/19/2005 | 10/25/2005 | | | |
| 1 | -308 | -217 | -339 | -317 | -420 | -413 | -450 | -270 | -442 | | | |
| 2 | -269 | -180 | -272 | -278 | -420 | -420 | -461 | -380 | | | | |
| 3 | -283 | -212 | -308 | -260 | -320 | -266 | -330 | -245 | -348 | | | |
| 4 | -351 | -345 | -332 | -335 | -400 | -395 | -443 | -405 | | | | |
| 5 | -363 | -284 | -424 | -412 | -460 | -434 | -489 | -210 | -394 | | | |
| 6 | -291 | -284 | -333 | -338 | -430 | -371 | | -420 | | | | |
| 7 | -267 | -252 | -346 | -320 | -350 | -348 | -403 | -245 | -410 | | | |
| 8 | -389 | -355 | -373 | -365 | -430 | -382 | -452 | -399 | | | | |
| 9 | -325 | -271 | -335 | -283 | -400 | -386 | | -305 | -334 | | | |
| 10 | -261 | -184 | -329 | -331 | -460 | -337 | -473 | -360 | | | | |
| 11 | -321 | -317 | -287 | -262 | -555 | -485 | -506 | -273 | -351 | | | |
| 12 | -345 | -415 | -352 | -345 | -430 | -374 | -508 | -470 | | | | |
| 13 | -230 | -183 | -261 | -242 | -280 | -275 | -324 | -209 | -345 | | | |
| 14 | -270 | -253 | -280 | -262 | -320 | -5 | -385 | -316 | | | | |
| 15 | -287 | -219 | -253 | -247 | -350 | -240 | -342 | -318 | -313 | | | |
| 16 | -324 | -305 | -326 | -327 | -365 | -356 | -409 | -376 | | | | |
| 19 | -536 | -428 | -527 | -442 | -410 | 3 | -510 | -415 | | | | |

Table 2.4 Chronological record of half-cell readings in the exposure tank, of specimens cast in 2000

| | Autopsied Specimens Results | | | | | | | | |
|----------|-----------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Average Chl | orides (%) | Average half | f-cell (mV) | | | | | |
| Specimen | Unwrapped | Wrapped | Unwrapped | Wrapped | | | | | |
| CC1 | 0.26 | 0.188 | -383 | -296 | | | | | |
| CC2 | 0.546 | 0.272 | -341 | -378 | | | | | |
| CC3 | | 0.085 | | -225 | | | | | |
| CC4 | 0.303 | 0.114 | -340 | -296 | | | | | |
| CC5 | | 0.2 | | -460 | | | | | |
| CC6 | | 0.15 | | -460 | | | | | |
| CC7 | | 0.22 | | -610 | | | | | |
| CC8 | | 0.16 | | -257 | | | | | |
| CC9 | 0.307 | 0.25 | -419 | -342 | | | | | |
| CC10 | 0.337 | | -454 | | | | | | |
| CC11 | 0.29 | | -517 | | | | | | |
| CC12 | 0.566 | 0.271 | -257 | -250 | | | | | |
| CC13 | | | | | | | | | |
| CC14 | 0.244 | 0.179 | -271 | -364 | | | | | |
| CC15 | 0.214 | 0.103 | -477 | -391 | | | | | |
| CC16 | 0.349 | | -403 | | | | | | |
| CC17 | 0.426 | | -534 | | | | | | |
| CC18 | 0.44 | | -590 | | | | | | |
| CC19 | 0.34 | 0.156 | -339 | -433 | | | | | |
| CC20 | 0.368 | 0.194 | -274 | -330 | | | | | |
| CC21 | 0.442 | | -407 | | | | | | |
| RC1 | | | | | | | | | |
| RC3 | 0.08 | 0.082 | -454 | -315 | | | | | |
| RC4 | | 0.35 | | -610 | | | | | |
| RC5 | 0.282 | 0.047 | -438 | -260 | | | | | |
| RC6 | | | | | | | | | |
| RC7 | | 0.12 | | -680 | | | | | |
| RC8 | 0.404 | | | | | | | | |
| RC9 | 0.284 | 0.126 | | | | | | | |
| RNC1 | 0.184 | 0.001 | -505 | -339 | | | | | |
| RNC2 | 0.125 | | -412 | | | | | | |
| RNC4 | | | | | | | | | |
| RNC5 | 0.636 | 0.302 | | | | | | | |
| RNC6 | | 0.002 | | -230 | | | | | |
| RNC7 | | 0.21 | | -470 | | | | | |
| RNC8 | | | | | | | | | |
| CNC1 | 0.367 | 0.136 | -439 | -403 | | | | | |
| CNC2 | | 0.126 | | -454 | | | | | |
| CNC3 | 0.342 | 0.008 | -397 | -271 | | | | | |

| Table 2.5 | Chloride | content | and h | alf-cell | readings | after | removal | of wrap | |
|-----------|----------|---------|-------|----------|----------|-------|---------|---------|--|
| | | | | | | | | | |

| | Autopsied Specimens Results | | | | | | |
|------------|-----------------------------|------------|------------------------|---------|--|--|--|
| | Average Chl | orides (%) | Average half-cell (mV) | | | | |
| Specimen | Unwrapped | Wrapped | Unwrapped | Wrapped | | | |
| CNC4 | 0.264 | 0.076 | -460 | -375 | | | |
| CNC6 | 0.352 | 0.053 | -561 | -401 | | | |
| CNC7 | 0.367 | | -418 | | | | |
| CNC8 | | 0.17 | | -410 | | | |
| CNC9 | 0.506 | 0.033 | -342 | -410 | | | |
| CNC10 | | 0.003 | | -350 | | | |
| CNC11 | 0.318 | | -463 | | | | |
| CNC13 | | 0.12 | | -600 | | | |
| CNC14 | | 0.02 | | -540 | | | |
| CNC15 | 0.435 | | -434 | | | | |
| CNC16 | 0.07 | 0.007 | -515 | -189 | | | |
| CNC17 | 0.12 | 0.001 | -536 | -94 | | | |
| CNC18 | 0.362 | 0.046 | -389 | -342 | | | |
| CNC19 | | 0.13 | | -560 | | | |
| CNC20 | 0.414 | | -554 | | | | |
| S1 | 0.299 | 0.132 | -489 | -364 | | | |
| S2 | | 0.179 | | -338 | | | |
| S3 | 0.238 | 0.135 | -393 | -335 | | | |
| S4 | | 0.173 | | -362 | | | |
| S5 | 0.332 | 0.162 | -365 | -344 | | | |
| S6 | | 0.126 | | -354 | | | |
| S 7 | 0.294 | 0.166 | -385 | -316 | | | |
| S 8 | | 0.16 | | -360 | | | |
| S 9 | 0.43 | 0.203 | -351 | -315 | | | |
| S10 | | 0.355 | | -362 | | | |
| S11 | 0.446 | 0.218 | -366 | -330 | | | |
| S12 | | 0.137 | | -359 | | | |
| S13 | 0.353 | 0.261 | -367 | -326 | | | |
| S14 | | 0.13 | | -296 | | | |
| S15 | 0.453 | 0.147 | -342 | -295 | | | |
| S16 | | 0.135 | | -333 | | | |
| S19 | 0.485 | | -373 | | | | |

Note:

• Highlighted specimens are those that have been autopsied and are reported in this report..

• Readings are averaged in appropriate wrapped and unwrapped portions of the autopsied specimens.

Chapter 3

Discussion of Results*

3.1 INTRODUCTION

In the preceding chapter, an overview of the corrosion behavior of the reinforced concrete specimens was presented. The detailed analysis of each specimen is provided in Appendix A. The overall effectiveness of the FRP wraps and the influence of other parameters included in the study on the durability of reinforced concrete specimens in a corrosive environment are discussed in this chapter.

3.2 EFFECTIVENESS OF FRP WRAP

Of prime interest is the overall effect of the FRP wraps on reducing the corrosion of the embedded reinforcing steel. It has been hypothesized that a barrier (the wrapping material) traps chlorides or other contaminants in the concrete and exacerbates the corrosive process. An alternative view is that the FRP wrap might prove to be an effective barrier and retard chloride-induced corrosion. To determine the effectiveness of the FRP wrap, half-cell potential contours, chloride content profiles, and visual observations of corrosion on the reinforcing bars of different specimens are compared. For the specimens cast in 1998, FRP wraps were effective in inhibiting the corrosion process. Slight corrosion was observed under the wraps of the specimens cast in 2000. This may be due to the poor quality of concrete used to cast the specimens. But the amount of corrosion was small compared with the unwrapped specimens.

3.2.1 Comparison of half-cell potentials

Figure 3.1 shows half-cell profiles for unwrapped column specimens and Figure 3.2 shows the half-cell profiles for some of the fully wrapped specimens. For the unwrapped columns, the potentials lie primarily between -350 mV and -500 mV, indicating a very high probability of corrosion. For the fully wrapped specimens, the potentials range from -200 mV to -500 mV, indicating that after many cycles in the corrosion tank, it becomes increasingly difficult to predict the level of corrosion based only on half-cell readings. The half-cell readings, though, are very effective in indicating whether the probability of corrosion is very high or low. The half-cell potential profiles also provide a strong indication that the addition of FRP wrap reduces the likelihood of corrosion.

^{*} This chapter supplements chapter 5 of Report 0-1774-3



Figure 3.1 Half-cell potentials for unwrapped columns



Distance from bottom (in.)

Figure 3.2 Half-cell potential profile for some of the fully wrapped specimens

Figure 3.3 shows the half-cell potential contour of a specimen CNC3, that was wrapped over the top 24 in. The half-cell readings clearly indicate that the FRP wrapping has reduced the likelihood of corrosion. Similar conclusions can also be drawn by looking at half-cell contour maps of other specimens such as CC1, CC8, CC9, CC19, CNC4, CNC18, S3, S5, S7, S11, S13 and S14. The details are given in Appendix A.



Figure 3.3 Half-cell potential contour for specimen CNC3

3.2.2 Comparison of chloride contents

The chloride contents of wrapped and unwrapped specimens clearly indicate that the FRP wrapping acts as a barrier to ingress of chlorides. Figure 3.4 shows the chloride content profiles of unwrapped specimens and Figure 3.5 shows the chloride profiles of some specimens wrapped over the top 24 in.



Figure 3.4 Chloride content profiles of unwrapped specimens



Figure 3.5 Chloride content profiles of specimens wrapped over top 24 in.

A threshold value of 0.03% chloride content as a percentage of weight of concrete is indicated in the figures. For the specimens containing inbuilt (added to the fresh concrete) chlorides (0.137% by weight of concrete), the threshold is considered as an additional 0.03% of migrating chlorides. For the unwrapped specimens, the chloride contents are much higher than the threshold value (Figure 3.4). For the partially wrapped columns, the chloride contents are high in the unwrapped portion but below the threshold in the wrapped portion (Figure 3.5). High chloride contents were found in the exposed upper end of the columns.

The observed corrosion on the extracted bars also corroborates the findings from half-cell readings and from the chloride contents that corrosion takes place in the unwrapped portion, but the FRP is effective in reducing corrosion in the wrapped portions of the partially wrapped columns. Similar results were found with specimen CC1, CC4, CC9, CC14, CC19, CC20, CNC1, CNC3, CNC4 and all the specimens cast in 2000. Refer to Appendix A for these details of the specimens.

The chloride content test is also an effective means of checking the level of corrosion in the concrete. By comparing the chloride content profiles and the photographs of the extracted rebars, the effectiveness of FRP wrapping as a protection strategy becomes clearer.

3.3 EFFECT OF OTHER VARIABLES

The effect of the various parameters such as cast-in chlorides, pre-cracking, repair material and use of corrosion inhibitors was also studied. Table 3.1 shows the percentage of half-cell readings that fall below the threshold of -350 mV (> 90% probability of corrosion), and whether corrosion was observed on rebars under the FRP wrap. The effect of different variables is then compared using these parameters.

| Specimen | % below -350 mV | Corrosion under wrap | Cast-in Chlorides | Wrap | Pre- cracked | Repair material | Corrosion inhibitor |
|------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| CC1 | 42 | No | Yes | Delta | Yes | None | Ferrogard |
| CC2 | 52 | No | Yes | Gen/Del | No | LMC | None |
| CC4 | 27 | No | Yes | Delta | No | LMC | None |
| CC8 | 2 | No | Yes | Delta | Yes | LMC | None |
| CC9 | 53 | No | Yes | Delta | No | None | None |
| CC12 | 0 | No | Yes | Generic | Yes | None | None |
| CC14 | 50 | No | Yes | Generic | No | LMC | Ferrogard |
| CC16 | 85 | NA | Yes | None | No | EG | None |
| CC19 | 70 | No | Yes | Generic | No | LMC | None |
| CC20 | 32 | No | Yes | Generic | No | None | Ferrogard |
| CC21 | 80 | NA | Yes | None | Yes | None | Ferrogard |
| RC1 | 32 | No | Yes | Generic | No | LMC | Ferrogard |
| RC6 | 35 | Yes | Yes | Generic | No | LMC | None |
| RC8 | 33 | NA | Yes | None | No | LMC | None |
| RC9 | 15 | No | Yes | Gen/Del | Yes | None | Ferrogard |
| RNC4 | 57 | Yes | No | Generic | No | LMC | None |
| RNC5 | 26 | No | No | Delta | Yes | None | None |
| RNC8 | 50 | No | No | Generic | No | None | None |
| CNC1 | 100 | No | No | Generic | Yes | Patch | None |
| CNC2 | 100 | No | No | Generic | Yes | None | None |
| CNC3 | 32 | No | No | Generic | No | None | Ferrogard |
| CNC4 | 62 | No | No | Delta | No | None | None |
| CNC7 | 87 | NA | No | None | No | None | Ferrogard |
| CNC9 | 52 | No | No | Generic | No | LMC,patch | None |
| CNC15 | 100 | NA | No | None | Yes | None | None |
| CNC18 | 57 | No | No | Generic | No | LMC | Ferrogard |
| S1 | 75 | Slight | Yes | Delta | Yes | None | Surtreat |
| S2 | 30 | Slight | Yes | Delta | Yes | None | Surtreat |
| S 3 | 47 | Slight | Yes | Delta | No | None | Surtreat |
| S4 | 62 | Yes | Yes | Delta | No | None | Surtreat |
| S 5 | 67 | Slight | Yes | Delta | Yes | None | Cortec |
| S6 | 45 | No | Yes | Delta | Yes | None | Cortec |
| S7 | 37 | No | Yes | Delta | No | None | Cortec |
| S8 | 47 | Slight | Yes | Delta | No | None | Cortec |
| S9 | 30 | Slight | Yes | Delta | Yes | None | Sika |
| S10 | 55 | Slight | Yes | Delta | Yes | None | Sika |
| S11 | 47 | Slight | Yes | Delta | No | None | Sika |
| S12 | 57 | Slight | Yes | Delta | No | None | Sika |
| S13 | 40 | Slight | Yes | Delta | Yes | None | None |
| S14 | 5 | Slight | Yes | Delta | Yes | None | None |
| S15 | 25 | No | Yes | Delta | No | None | None |
| S16 | 22 | Slight | Yes | Delta | No | None | None |
| S19 | 75 | NA | Yes | None | Yes | None | None |

Table 3.1 Effect of variables on half-cell potentials and corrosion

3.3.1 Cast-in chlorides

Half-cell potential readings were lower for specimens that had no chlorides cast in the concrete (Table 3.1). This indicated that the presence of cast-in chlorides may have reduced the effectiveness of the wrap. But after extracting the reinforcing bars it was observed that corrosion was not extensive. The FRP wrap was almost equally effective for concrete with and without cast-in chlorides. The FRP acts as a barrier to the ingress of chlorides, moisture and oxygen, and was effective in reducing corrosion. Figure 3.6 shows the extracted reinforcing bars from specimen CNC2 that had in-built chlorides and was wrapped com0pletely. Figure 3.7 shows the extracted rebars from specimen CC8 that had no in-built chlorides and was completely wrapped. As se0010en from the figures, FRP wrapping was effective for both specimens. Other specimens show similar results.



Figure 3.6 Extracted bars from CNC2



Figure 3.7 Extracted bars from CC8

3.3.2 Unwrapped specimens

For the specimens that were not wrapped, the percent of readings below -350 mV was considerably higher than the wrapped specimens. The chloride contents were also over the threshold value indicating the ingress of chlorides. For the wrapped specimens, the percentage of

migrating chlorides was lower than the threshold, indicating that the FRP wrap acted as a barrier to the ingress of chlorides. The bars were badly corroded and showed a loss of cross-section. Figure 3.8 shows the extent and level of corrosion in an unwrapped specimen.



Figure 3.8 Corrosion of bars in unwrapped specimen

3.3.3 Repair material

All the repaired specimens that were autopsied had been repaired using Latex-Modified Concrete. LMC repair material is less permeable than ordinary concrete, and it was observed that the chloride content levels below the repair material were very low. After removal of the reinforcing bars, it was observed that no corrosion had taken place below the repair material even in unwrapped regions. The LMC also acted as a barrier for the ingress of chlorides. Figure 3.9 shows the difference in the chloride contents below LMC repaired concrete and areas that were not repaired for specimen CNC9. Figure 3.10 shows the corrosion on reinforcing bars below the repair material. Similar results were observed in specimens CC2, CC4, CNC9 and CNC18.



Figure 3.9 Chloride contents of concrete covered with repair material



Wrapped region Unwrapped region

Figure 3.10 Corrosion of bar under repair material

3.3.4 Pre-cracking

The average chloride content for the pre-cracked and cracked specimens was nearly the same. The half-cell potential readings were not influenced by pre-cracking. The corrosion observed on extracted rebars indicated no difference based on pre-cracking. The FRP wrapping was equally effective on cracked or un-cracked specimen.

3.3.5 Corrosion inhibitors

Some specimens were treated using Ferrogard corrosion inhibitor. The inhibitor was generally ineffective in preventing corrosion in the unwrapped region. Specimen CC21 was not wrapped and was treated with Ferrogard. The level and amount of corrosion in CC21 was less compared with other unwrapped specimens. Ferrogard also seemed to be effective in the unwrapped regions of specimens CC1 and CC14. Figure 3.11 shows bars extracted from specimen CC15. Bars in the unwrapped portion were not corroded, possibly due to the presence of Ferrogard. However, there is insufficient data to assess the effectiveness of the Ferrogard corrosion inhibitor.



Figure 3.11 Bars extracted from specimen CC14

The specimens cast in 2001 were treated using either Surtreat, Sika or Cortec. None of these inhibitors was found to be very effective in unwrapped regions. Specimens treated with inhibitor Cortec had no corrosion under the wrap while other specimens with the other inhibitors were lightly corroded even in some areas beneath the FRP wrap. There was no marked difference between specimens that were treated with the inhibitors and those that were not

3.3.6 Type of wrap material

Two types of wrap material and resin were used, one from Delta Technologies and the other, a generic system developed in the lab. There was no marked difference in the performance of both the wrap systems. In Figure 3.5, CC9 had a Delta wrap and CC19 had a generic wrap. As can be seen, both performed similarly. The trademarked Delta material was easier to apply and had a better appearance than the generic materials. The type of resin did not appear to make a difference in the performance.

Chapter 4

Condition of FRP-Wrapped Bridges in Report of Lubbock*

4.1 INTRODUCTION

A field trip was made to the Lubbock district on 18 & 19 April, 2006 to monitor substructures of highway overpass bridges in Lubbock and Slaton, TX. Table 4.1 lists the location of the structures in the study. Wrapping of the bridges was completed in Fall 1999. Details of the wrapping process and installation of probes has been described in Reports 0-1774-1 and 0-1774-2. Additional VETEK probes were installed in bridge 13.

| Structures | City | Interchange |
|------------|---------|--|
| 1 – 2 | Lubbock | State Loop 289 over Municipal Drive |
| 3-8 | Lubbock | US 62/82 & State Loop 289 |
| 9 - 10 | Slaton | US 84 over FM 41 |
| 11 – 12 | Slaton | US 84 over FM 400 |
| 13 – 16 | Lubbock | US 87 over 82nd St, 98 th St, 114 St, FM 1585 |

 Table 4.1 Location of structure repaired with FRP composite

In Table 4.2, the locations where probes were installed to monitor corrosion activity are listed. Locations of the bridges are shown in Figure 4.1 and Figure 4.2.

| ID# | Structure | Bent | Beam Face | Distance from End (ft.) | Steel Area (in ²) |
|------|-----------|--------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 7.1 | 7 | 7 | Left | 7.5 | 44.30 |
| 7.2 | 7 | 7 | Right | 4 | 44.30 |
| 8.1 | 8 | 4 | Left | 4 | 44.30 |
| 8.2 | 8 | 4 | Right | 4 | 44.30 |
| 8.3 | 8 | 5 | Left | 4 | 44.30 |
| 8.4 | 8 | 5 | Right | 4 | 22.15 |
| 12.1 | 12 | 1 | Left | 4 | 44.30 |
| 12.2 | 12 | 1 | Right | 4 | 44.30 |
| 12.3 | 12 | 3 | Left | 4 | 44.30 |
| 8 | 13 | Exterior, t | 44.30 | | |
| 10 | 13 | Interior, to | 44.30 | | |
| 11 | 14 | Exterior, t | 44.30 | | |

Table 4.2 Concorr probe installation locations

* This chapter supplements the condition assessment in Report 0-1774-2 (Section 5.3)





Figure 4.1 Location of bridges in Lubbock with wrapped elements


Figure 4.2 Location of bridges in Slaton with wrapped elements

4.2 FIELD INSPECTION

All the bridges were visually inspected for any signs of corrosion such as rust spots or cracking on the surface of the wrap. In addition, readings were taken from the embedded probes. In bridges that showed a high probability of corrosion based on the embedded probe readings, samples were taken to determine the concentration of chlorides. The details of each structure are as follows:

Structure 1, West bound State Loop 289 over Municipal



Figure 4.3 Rust staining on bent



Figure 4.4 Rust staining on bent, Structure 1

Rust staining was observed on the bent cap on Structure 1 (Figure 4.3 and Figure 4.4). Rusting had also been observed on this bent in an earlier report (1774-2), but it seems to have increased and spread to more areas. The rust stains were observed near the end of the bent cap, near the column joint and on the underside of the bent. No probes had been embedded in this structure. Chloride samples were extracted and the results are shown in Table 4.3

| | Threshold | % Chlorides |
|---------------|-----------|-------------|
| Structure # 1 | 0.03 | 0.355 |

Structure 2, East bound

No rust stains or cracks were observed on Structure 2.



Figure 4.5 Structure 2

Structure 5, US 62/82 and State Loop 289

A crack was observed on the under-side of the bent on Structure 5 where the FRP fabric sheets overlap (Figure 4.6). No rust staining was observed near the crack or anywhere else on the bent.



Figure 4.6 Crack on underside of bent on Structure 5

Structure 6

No cracking or rust stains were observed on Structure 6.

Structure 7, West bound

No cracking or rust stains were observed on Structure 7. The upper layer of FRP wrap has been damaged in one of the columns, but the inner layers were intact (Figure 4.7). Results from the embedded probes are shown in Table 4.4.



Figure 4.7 Damage on the upper layer of FRP wrap, Structure 7

Table 4.4 Embedded Concorr V probe readings, Structure 7

| | Probe reading (mV) | ASTM Interpretation |
|-----------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| Probe 7.1 | -278 | Probability of corrosion uncertain |
| Probe 7.2 | -473 | Probability of corrosion > 90% |

Structure 8, East bound

No cracking or rust stains were observed on Structure 8. Results from four embedded probes are shown in Table 4.5 and indicate that the probability of corrosion was uncertain. Cracks were observed at the ends of prestressed girders along with spalling of concrete and rust stains (Figure 4.9)



Figure 4.8 Location of embedded probe in Structure 8



Figure 4.9 Cracking and Spalling of concrete at the end of girder, Structure 8

| | Probe reading (mV) | ASTM Interpretation |
|-----------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| Probe 8.1 | -453 | Probability of corrosion > 90% |
| Probe 8.2 | -322 | Probability of corrosion uncertain |
| Probe 8.3 | -264 | Probability of corrosion uncertain |
| Probe 8.4 | -301 | Probability of corrosion uncertain |

Table 4.5 Embedded Concorr V probe readings, Structure 8

Structure 9 and 10, US 84 over FM 41 (Slaton)

Only the columns were wrapped in these structures. No rust stains or cracking were observed. No probes were embedded.

Structure 12, Over FM 400

Some of the columns in this structure were wrapped with carbon fibers instead of the glass fibers as used in all the other structures. Air bubbles were observed under these carbon wraps along with small rust stains all over the column (Figure 4.10). No rust stains or cracks were observed on other columns wrapped with the glass fibers. Readings from the embedded probes are shown in Table 4.6.



Figure 4.10 Air bubbles under the carbon fiber wrap along with rust stains, Structure 12

| | Probe reading (mV) | ASTM Interpretation |
|------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| Probe 12.1 | -222 | Probability of corrosion uncertain |
| Probe 12.2 | -361 | Probability of corrosion > 90% |
| Probe 12.3 | -208 | Probability of corrosion uncertain |

 Table 4.6 Embedded Concorr probe readings, Structure 12

Structure 13, US-87 over 82nd St

No rust stains or cracking were observed. Readings from the Concorr embedded probes are shown in Table 4.7. Readings from the VETEK probe are shown in Table 4.8. Chloride samples were taken from two locations on the bent cap and the concentration of chlorides is given in Table 4.9.



Figure 4.11 US 87 over 82nd St.

Table 4.7 Embedded Concorr probe readings, Structure 13

| | Probe reading (mV) | ASTM Interpretation |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Probe # 10 (Top end of bent cap) | -548 | Severe corrosion expected |
| Probe # 8 (Inside, top of bent cap) | -525 | Severe corrosion expected |

Table 4.8 VETEK probe readings, Structure 13

| Location of probe | Gold Probe (mV) | Silver Probe (mV) | Vetek Interpretation | Cu/CuSO ₄ Equivalent (mV) | ASTM Interpretation |
|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|------------------------|
| Bent | -349 | 336 | Active corrosion | -429 | > 90% probability of |
| (inside) | | | | | corrosion |
| Bent | -313 | 316 | Begun / Active | -410 | > 90% probability of |
| (outside) | | | corrosion | | corrosion |
| Column | 4.3 | 0 | No active | -94 | < 10% probability of |
| | | | corrosion | | corrosion |

| Tabl | e 4.9 | O Concen | tration of | of ch | lorides, | Structure 1 | 13 |
|------|-------|----------|------------|-------|----------|-------------|----|
|------|-------|----------|------------|-------|----------|-------------|----|

| | Threshold | % Chlorides |
|----------------|-----------|-------------|
| Bent (outside) | 0.03 | 0.04 |
| Bent (inside) | 0.03 | 0.19 |

It is interesting to note that chloride levels are sufficient to produce corrosion and the Concorr embedded probes indicate that corrosion is expected. The VETEK probes in the bent caps also indicate > 90% probability of corrosion.

Structure 14, Over 98th St

No rust stains or cracking were observed. The readings from the embedded Concorr probe are shown in Table 4.10. Readings from the VETEK probes are shown in Table 4.11.

| Table 4.10 Embedded Concorr | probe readings, Structure 14 | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--|
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--|

| | Probe reading | ASTM Interpretation |
|---|---------------|------------------------------------|
| | (mV) | |
| Probe # 11 (Exterior end, top of bent cap) | -348 | Probability of corrosion uncertain |

Table 4.11 VETEK probe readings, Structure 14

| Location | Gold | Silver | Vetek | Cu/CuSO ₄ | ASTM |
|-----------|-------|--------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| of probe | Probe | Probe | Interpretation | Equivalent | Interpretation |
| | (mV) | (mV) | | (mV) | |
| Bent | -264 | 242 | No action / Damage | -336 | probability of |
| (inside) | | | has begun | | corrosion uncertain |
| Bent | -172 | 228 | No action / Damage | -322 | probability of |
| (outside) | | | has begun | | corrosion uncertain |
| Column | -27 | 0 | No active corrosion | -94 | < 10% probability of |
| | | | | | corrosion |

For Structure 14, the Concorr and VETEK probes both indicate low or uncertain probability of corrosion.

Structure 15, Over 114th St

No rust stains or cracking was observed. No probes were embedded.

Structure 16, Over 1585

No rust stains or cracking was observed. No probes were embedded.

Observations

Visual inspection of structures may not give an indication of corrosion activity taking place. Some of the probe readings indicated a high probability of corrosion taking place which was confirmed by the chloride content tests on samples extracted from the bent caps, but there was no visible evidence of corrosion.

Monitoring of these structures should be continued because the Lubbock bridges offer the best opportunity for field assessment of FRP wrapping. In locations where the embedded probes indicate high probability of corrosion, it would be desirable to remove the wrap material and the concrete and assess the condition of the bars. It should be noted that the Concorr probes are no longer supported by the supplier so it will be difficult to continue the use of these probes to monitor corrosion. However, the VETEK probes are available and produce results consistent with the Concorr readings and consistent with visual observations.

Chapter 5

Summary and Conclusions

5.1 SUMMARY

Project 0-1774 was designed to develop a greater understanding of the long-term effects of FRP wrapping in preventing corrosion in reinforced concrete structures. Although both rectangular and cylindrical specimens were included, the focus of this report is on the specific impact of FRP wraps on partially wrapped versus unwrapped columns. However the observations made from autopsies of the beam specimens correlate closely with the column results but the number of beams is quite small and the manner in which they were exposed to the salt water in the tank was also different. For the specimens included in this supplement, a wide range of construction parameters were included. Despite the lack of comparison specimens to better assess variability of results, definite trends have emerged from the data gathered. The field assessment of wrapped elements in the Lubbock District provided an opportunity to examine the feasibility of two systems of monitoring corrosion activity. Both provided data that correlated with chloride contents, but only the VETEK system removes remains available on the market.

5.2 CONCLUSIONS

The major conclusions are as follows:

- 1. FRP wrapping was effective in reducing corrosion activity in the test specimens. The FRP provided a barrier to the migration of chlorides throughout the height of the column. The migrating chloride concentrations in the wrapped region were less than the threshold value. The half-cell potential readings were higher in the wrapped portions, indicating a reduced probability of corrosion. The condition of the extracted bars corroborated the results from half-cell potential readings and chloride contents.
- 2. FRP wrapping was effective even on partially wrapped specimens.
- 3. The FRP wrap was equally effective for concrete with and without cast-in chlorides.
- 4. Pre-cracking did not change the effectiveness of FRP wrapping.
- 5. Latex-modified concrete repair material appeared to play a significant role in preventing corrosion. The chloride contents under a repaired area were noticeably less than in unwrapped portions of the column.

- 6. Ferrogard was the only inhibitor that slightly reduced corrosion in four specimens. Other surface applied corrosion inhibitors such as Surtreat, Sika and Cortec, did not seem to be very effective in the highly corrosive exposure conditions used in the test program.
- 7. The half-cell potential test and the chloride content test were effective methods to assess the level of corrosion in structures. Probes embedded in the field (wrapped bridge members in Lubbock District) gave consistant results and correlated well with chloride concentrations.

While the chronological record of these measurements provides an indication of the level of corrosion, the fact only one location was sampled in the wrapped portion makes it difficult to assess overall corrosion behavior based on one value. An extensive analysis of halfcell potentials over the entire surface after the wrapping was removed was more conclusive. It would have been highly informative if some specimens had been wrapped after being exposed to the corrosive elements in the tank. This would have simulated a more realistic situation than the cast-in chlorides, since the migrating chlorides contribute most towards corrosion but their effect can not be isolated.

Chapter 6

Guidelines for the Selection and Use of Wrapping Materials

Project 0-1774 has provided data on exposure testing of specimens wrapped with layers of glass/fiber composites and resin that can be used to guide future use of these materials in regions of exposure to a corrosive environment. The purpose of these Guidelines is to translate those findings into practical application of wrapping techniques in the field.

6.1 **PRIMARY FINDINGS**

- FRP reduced the corrosive activity in the test specimens acting as a barrier to the ingress of chlorides and moisture. The increase in chloride concentrations in wrapped regions was lower than in unwrapped regions and reinforcement in the wrapped regions exhibited less corrosion as well. Even when chlorides were added to the concrete to accelerate the corrosion activity, wrapping lowered the migration of additional chlorides and reduced the available moisture so that corrosion in the wrapped regions was less severe.
- FRP wrapping was effective in reducing corrosion activity in partially wrapped specimens, however, the performance was better when a greater surface area of the specimen was wrapped.
- The presence of cracks in the wrapped members did not reduce the effectiveness of the wrap.
- Both trademarked and generic wrapping materials were used. There was little difference in the performance of the materials in the exposure testing. The primary difference is the ease of application. The trademarked materials were easier to install and had an improved appearance.
- Specimens that were repaired before wrapping performed well if the permeability of materials used in repair was low. Latex-modified concrete performed particularly well as a repair material.
- Chloride inhibitors did not perform well and there was no conclusive evidence that corrosion activity was changed in specimens treated with inhibitors.
- Field evaluation of bridges in the Lubbock District that were wrapped provides a means of evaluating the performance of wrapping techniques in the field. VETEK Probes installed as part of this project to monitor corrosion activity appear to be functioning well and are available on the market. Concorr probes are no longer supported by the manufacturer. While probes and chloride contents indicate a fairly high probability of corrosion in some of those bridges, it will be important to continue monitoring and to visually examine the condition of the reinforcement in those cases where severely damaged elements have been repaired and wrapped.

6.2 **IMPLEMENTATION**

- In highly corrosive environments, use of FRP wrapping is likely to extend the life of bridge structures. The quality of the installation is critical. The choice of materials can be left to the contractor but should be approved and installation monitored by TxDOT personnel. (Laminating resins must be UV resistant, wet out the fiberglass, and stay bonded to concrete. This suggests only lower viscosity laminating epoxies or possibly vinyl esters, but it prohibits typical less-expensive unsaturated polyester laminating resins, because they debond over time due to concrete's alkalinity attack of the double bonds.)
- Where the structural members are repaired before wrapping, the materials used should have low permeability. If existing concrete is removed and replaced, such removal should extend far enough to expose reinforcement that exhibits corrosion damage. All corroded reinforcement should be cleaned. Care should be taken to prevent chlorides from penetrating through bridge deck joints and reaching the unprotected portions of top surfaces of bent caps.
- Probes to monitor corrosion activity should be installed on selected structures. When elements are wrapped, it is impossible to monitor corrosion activity visually, take half-cell readings on the surface of the concrete, or extract samples to assess chloride concentrations.

6.3 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Routine monitoring of the wrapped structures in the Lubbock District should be continued. Where wraps are used in the future, probes should be embedded in those structures and routine monitoring and inspection schedules should be established.
- Although no tests were conducted on the use of other barrier materials as alternates to FRP wrapping, the tests conducted in Project 0-1774 indicate that the FRP wraps function primarily as barriers to the ingress of chlorides and moisture. It would be of interest to examine the use of paints or other barriers that would function in a similar manner. If such materials are shown to be effective, cost and installation time should be reduced. It should also be easier to access the concrete and monitor corrosion activity because the barrier could be repaired after inspection is completed.

Appendix A

Detail Condition Assessment *

Introduction

Twenty two specimens were removed from the exposure tank and autopsied in Spring 2005 and the remaining 21 specimens were removed in Fall 2005. Descriptions of the specimens are to facilitate comparisons. The detailed analysis includes visual inspection of the surface before and after removal of the wrap, plots of half-cell potential contours, tabulation of chloride contents and plots of chloride content profiles, and visual observations of the extracted rebars.

^{*} Appendix A is a supplement to chapter 4 of Report 0-1774-3

| A1. | CC1 |
|-----|-----|
| | |

| Wrap | Delta – 24 in. |
|----------------------------|----------------|
| Resin | Tyfo S |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Ferrogard |



Cylinder CC1 wrapped till 12 in. from bottom.



Cylinder CC1 after removal of wrap. Top 3 in. not consolidated properly.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped except for 12 in. from the bottom.
- 2) No major cracks were visible in either wrapped or unwrapped area.
- 3) Heavy discoloration was observed in exposed areas.
- 4) After removal of wrap, it was observed that the top 3 in. in area AB were not consolidated properly.

Comments:

- 1) No corrosion was observed except on the bottom few inches of rebars C and D.
- 2) Though the bottom 12 in. was not wrapped, there was hardly any corrosion in those areas. This is in contrast to other specimens where heavy rusting was observed in unwrapped areas. This could be due to the presence of corrosion inhibitor Ferrogard.



Chloride Content Profiles:



Corrosion of rebars:



| A2. | CC2 |
|-----|--------|
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| Wrap | Gen/Del - 30 in. |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Resin | Tyfo S |
| Surface at | Wet |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | LMC |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |



Cylinder CC 2 wrapped over 30 in.



Repair patch and rust stain over rebar B.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped over top 30 in.
- 2) The wrap was intact at all places.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.016 in. was observed over 0 in- 2 in. over rebar D.
- 4) A rust spot $(3 \text{ in.} \times 2 \text{ in.})$ was found over rebar A.
- 5) A vertical crack of width 0.08 in. was observed over 0 in- 3 in. over rebar B.
- 6) After removal of wrap, repair patch was visible over bottom 18 in. at area DC-C-B and till 8 in. at areas BA-A-D-DC.



Chloride Content Profiles:



Corrosion of rebars:



- Heavily corroded areas
- Very light, onesided corrosion

| A3. CC4 | |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Wrap | Delta – 24 in. |
| Resin | Tyfo S |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | LMC |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |



Cylinder CC4 wrapped over top 24 in.



Repair patch over lower portion.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped over the top 24 in.
- 2) The surface of the concrete was not finished properly in the unwrapped region.
- 3) A 0.016-in.vertical crack was observed over rebar A extending over the lower 2.5 in.
- 4) The top 6 in. of concrete was not consolidated properly near rebar D and C.
- 5) A repair patch was visible as shown in the figure.



Comments:

1) Heavy corrosion was not observed anywhere on the bars since the unwrapped portions of the bars were covered with repair material.

2) The half-cell potential contour and the chloride content profile corroborated with the corrosion observed on the extracted rebar.



| A4. | CC8 |
|-----|------------|
| | |

| Wrap | Delta – 36 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Resin | Tyfo S |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | LMC |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |



Cylinder CC8 wrapped completely.



Moisture under the wrap over bottom region of rebar B.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped completely.
- 2) The wrap was intact at all places.
- 3) On removal of the wrap, trapped moisture accompanied with green colored staining was observed near the bottom over rebar B.
- 4) Repair patch was observed over bottom 18 in. extending over areas BA-A-D-DC.
- 5) A horizontal crack was observed on the repair patch in area AD at 5 in. above bottom. It appeared that two layers of repair patch had been applied.

Observations:

1) Rebars in cylinder CC8 were not corroded. The chloride content is below the threshold level. The wrap has been effective in inhibiting corrosion.



Chloride Content Profiles:



Corrosion of rebars:





 Very light, onesided corrosion

A5. CC9

| Wrap | Delta – 24 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Resin | Tyfo S |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |



Cylinder CC9, with wrap over top 24 in.



Detail of unwrapped region over rebar A.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped over top 24 in.
- 2) The wrap was intact at all places.
- 3) Concrete had spalled-off in the bottom region over rebar A. Rust stains were visible underneath.
- 4) A horizontal crack of width 0.03 in. was observed 2 in. above bottom over area CD-B-BA.



Chloride Content Profile:



Corrosion of rebars:



- Heavily corroded areas
- Very light, onesided corrosion

| 16 | CC12 |
|-----|------|
| AU. | CC12 |

| Wrap | Generic -30 in. |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Resin | 862 |
| Surface at | Wet |
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |





Detail of cracks and rust stains in unwrapped.

Cylinder CC12 covered with FRP wrap.

- 1) The specimen was covered with wrap over top 30 in.
- 2) The wrap was intact at all places.
- 3) A horizontal crack of width 0.04 in. was observed over area D-A-B at 2 in. above bottom.
- 4) Concrete over bottom 2 in. over rebar A was spalled.







Corrosion of rebars:



Observations:

- 1) The rebars in unwrapped region were corroded whereas no corrosion was observed under the wrapped region.
- 2) Corrosion was especially heavy on rebars A and B, where the concrete had been spalled and cracks were observed.
- Heavy corrosion was observed on one side or rebar D accompanied by a green colored residue.



Heavy corrosion near bottom of rebar D. It can be clearly seen that the rest of the bar was not corroded.

| A7. CC14 | |
|-----------|-----------------|
| Wrap | Generic -24 in. |
| Resin | 862 |
| Surface | Dry |
| Crack | Uncracked |
| Repair | LMC |
| Corrosion | Ferrogard |

Corrosion Ferrogard

Cylinder CC14 wrapped over upper 24 in.



Vertical crack over rebar A with spalled-off section.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped over top 24 in.
- 2) A section of specimen at the bottom over rebar A about 3 in. in height and 6 in. width had fallen off due to extensive corrosion. The area was filled with rust stains.
- 3) A 0.05-in.-wide vertical crack over rebar A extending from 24 in. from top to bottom. The crack had initiated where the wrap ended.
- 4) A vertical crack in area AD extended from the edge of the wrap to bottom.
- 5) Area AB was not consolidated properly over the bottom 4 inches.

Comments:

1) A high amount of corrosion was observed over the bottom 12.5 in. of rebar A, whereas rebars B, C, and D were hardly corroded.

2) In rebar A, the unwrapped area (0 in. to 12 in.) was heavily corroded while the wrapped area (12 in. to 36 in.) was not corroded at all.

Half-Cell Potential Contour:



Chloride Content Profiles:



 Very light, onesided corrosion

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| AQ | CC16 |
|-----|------|
| A0. | UUIU |

| Wrap | Unwrapped |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Resin | None |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | EG |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |



Cylinder CC16 with repair material over bottom region.

Visual Inspection:

- 1) The specimen was not wrapped.
- 2) Repair material was observed over lower 16 in. on area A-AD-D-DC-C and over bottom 6 in. on area CD-D-DA.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 1/8 in. was observed over rebar D extending from 20 in. to 36 in.
- 4) A vertical crack of width 1/8 in. was observed over rebar A extending from 6 in. to 36 in.
- 5) A vertical crack of width 0.06 in. was observed over rebar B extending from 6 in. to 36 in.
- 6) A vertical crack of width 0.07 in. was observed over rebar C extending from 16 in. to 36 in.
- 7) Bottom region over rebar B was not consolidated properly.

Observations:

- 1) Unlike in other specimens where the repair material were successful in inhibiting corrosion completely, rebars under the repair material were corroded, mostly only on one side. The amount and level of corrosion under the repair material was lesser than the areas with no repair material.
- 2) All the other rebars were heavily corroded since the cylinder was not wrapped.



Chloride Content Profiles:



Corrosion of rebars:



| Wrap | Generic -24 in. |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Resin | Vinyl ester |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | LMC |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |

A9. CC19



Cylinder CC19 wrap ped over top 24 in.



Area DA just below wrap edge was not consolidated properly. Repair patch visible at the bottom.

- 1) The column was wrapped over the top 24 inches.
- 2) Concrete had not been consolidated properly in area DA over a depth of about 4 in. extending from 26 in. to 30 in from top
- 3) A crack occurred over rebar A of width 0.013 in. extending from 26 in. till 33 in. as measured from top of the cylinder.
- 4) The repair patch is visible as shown in the figure below.





Distance from bottom (in.)

Chloride Content Profile:




Comments:

1) Heavy black corrosion residue was observed on rebar A at 13 in. from bottom and on rebar B at 34 in. from bottom.



Heavy localized rusting on rebar A.

- 2) It was observed that rebars B, C and D were not heavily corroded throughout. This may be due to presence of wrap over upper 24 inches and presence of repair material in unwrapped portions. Repair material was not present over area AB of the column, and it was interesting to find that lower portions of rebar AB had experienced corrosion.
- The chloride content was calculated for areas covered with repair material and areas not covered with repair material at same heights of the cylinder. The results are shown graphically.



| | Distance | Depth (in.) |
|---|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| | from bottom | |
| | (in.) | |
| 1 | 1 | 1/4 - 3/4 |
| 2 | 1 | ³ ⁄4 - 1 ¹ ⁄4 |
| 3 | 1 | 1 ¼ - 1 ¾ |
| 4 | 6 | 1/4 - 3/4 |
| 5 | 6 | ³ ⁄4 - 1 ¹ ⁄4 |
| 6 | 6 | 1 1/4 - 1 3/4 |

Comparison of chloride content.

Thus it can be seen that the chloride ingression has decreased drastically where the surface was coated with repair materials.

| Wrap | Generic -24 in. |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Resin | Vinyl ester |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Ferrogard |

A10. CC20



Cylinder CC20 wrapped over top 24 in.



Crack over rebar A in unwrapped region.

- 1) The column was wrapped over the top 24 inches.
- 2) A vertical crack of width 0.03 in. occurred over rebar A extending from 25 in. to 34 in. from top.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.02 in. occurred over rebar B extending from 26 in. to 34 in. from top.



Chloride Content Profile:





% Chloride



- Highly corroded areas
- Areas with light onesided corrosion

Comments:

- 1) Rebars A and B were corroded over bottom 11 inches. This area was not wrapped and was also cracked. The areas above 12 in., which were not wrapped, were not corroded, which may be evidence of the advantage of FRP wrapping.
- 2) It was interesting to note that the rebars C and D had not corroded even in unwrapped regions. It was found that the bottom 18 in. in these areas had been repaired using LMC. This implies that the repair material may have been useful in preventing corrosion due to either cutting off the air supply or moisture.
- 3) The wrapped areas in all the bars have not been corroded which may indicate the benefits of FRP wrapping.



Lower areas of embedment of bars A and B. Note the repair material visible in lower right corner.



Areas of embedment of bars C and D. Corrosion did not take place due to presence of repair material.

| Wrap | Unwrapped |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Resin | None |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Ferrogard |



Cylinder CC21.

Visual Inspection:

- 1) The specimen was not wrapped.
- 2) Two vertical cracks of width 0.03 in. were observed over rebar D extending from 12 in. to 24 in. from bottom.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.04 in. was observed over rebar C extending from 0 in. to 20 in.
- 4) Two vertical cracks were observed over rebar B, first 0.02 in. wide extending from 25 in. to 36 in. and the second of width 0.04 in. extending from 0 in. to 20 in.
- 5) Rust stain (5 in. \times 7 in.) was observed near bottom of rebar B.

Observations:

 Though it was not wrapped, corrosion was not as extensive as other unwrapped specimens (for example, CC16). This could be due to the presence of inhibitor Ferrogard. The inhibitor, though, is not very effective in the "splash zone" i.e. 0 in. – 12 in. from bottom.





- Heavily corroded areas
- Very light, onesided corrosion

| Wrap | Generic – 27 in. |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Resin | 862 |
| Surface at | Wet |
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | Patch |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |

A12. CNC1



Cylinder CNC1 wrapped over top 27 in.



Cylinder CNC1 after removal of wrap.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped over top 27 in.
- 2) The wrap was intact at all places.
- 3) The cylinder was covered with repair material over top 5 in.
- 4) The concrete was not consolidated properly.
- 5) Large rust stains were observed all over the surface.

Observations:

- 1) Though the bottom 9 in. were not wrapped heavy corrosion was not observed on the rebars.
- 2) No corrosion was observed under the wrapped region.
- 3) Heavy corrosion was observed over bottom 8 in. of rebar B



| A13. | CNC2 |
|------|------|
| A13. | CNC2 |

| Wrap | Generic – 36 in. |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Resin | 862 |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |



Cylinder CNC2, completely wrapped.



Cylinder CNC2, after removal of wrap with a large rust stain over rebar B.

- 1) The cylinder was completely wrapped.
- 2) On removal of wrap, trapped moisture was observed under the wrap in areas A-AB-B.
- 3) The top 4 in. of cylinder was covered with repair material.
- 4) A large stain spot was observed over rebar B (4 in.× 4 in.) accompanied with trapped moisture. The rust stain could be seen above the wrap too.



Trapped moisture under the wrap.









- Heavily corroded areas
- Very light, onesided corrosion

| Wrap | Generic -24 in. |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Resin | 862 |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Ferrogard |





Cylinder CNC3 wrapped over top 24 in.



Crack and rust stains over rebar A.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped over the top 24 in.
- 2) A 0.02-in. vertical crack over rebar A extended from the end of wrap to bottom.
- 3) Rust stains were observed on unwrapped regions in area AD and AB.

Comments:

- 1) Bottom 12 in. of rebars A, C and D was heavily corroded while rebar B was not corroded.
- 2) Wrapped areas were not corroded at all.



Chloride Content Profile:



| Wrap | Delta – 24 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Resin | Tyfo S |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |

A15. CNC4



Cylinder CNC4, wrapped over top 24 in.



Cylinder CNC4, after removal of wrap.

- 1) The cylinder is wrapped over top 24 in.
- 2) The wrap is intact at all places.
- 3) Rust stains were observed over the bottom unwrapped region.
- 4) When the wrap was removed, chunks of concrete came off with it, exposing rust stains lying underneath the surface.



Chloride Content Profile:



| Wrap | Unwrapped |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Resin | None |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Ferrogard |

A16. CNC7



Cylinder CNC7 with large rust stain over rebar C.

- 1) The specimen was not wrapped.
- 2) A vertical crack of width 0.04 in. was observed over rebar A extending the complete height of the cylinder.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.02 in. was observed over rebar B extending the complete height of the cylinder.
- 4) A vertical crack of width 0.03 in. was observed over rebar C extending from 16 in. to 31 in.
- 5) A vertical crack of width 0.016 in. was observed over rebar D extending from 7 in. to 36 in.
- 6) Large rust stains were observed all over the specimen.





Chloride Content Profiles:





- Heavily corroded areas
- Very light, onesided corrosion

| Wrap | Generic – 24 in. |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Resin | Vinyl ester |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | LMC, patch |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |





Cylinder CNC9 wrapped over top 24 in.



Rust stains and unconsolidated parts over rebar D.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped over the top 24 in.
- 2) Concrete was not consolidated properly just below the wrap edge in areas AD and DC and over the bottom 2 in. in area AD.
- 3) Unconsolidated portions extending from 14 in. to 16 in. from top over rebars D and A were filled with repair material.
- 4) A dark stain of width 7 in. was observed over rebar D extending from 21 in. to 24 in. from the top and of width 4 in. over rebar B extending from 14 in. to 16 in. from top.
- 5) Staining was observed over the unwrapped region due to wash-out/ rust.
- 6) Repair patch as shown in the figure below.



Comments:

- 1) Rebars A and D were corroded in the bottom unwrapped area only with no corrosion under the wrapped region.
- 2) Rebars B and C were not corroded even in the unwrapped portions due to the presence of LMC repair patch.
- 3) The chloride test results correlated well with the amount of corrosion observed on the rebars.
- 4) The chloride content was calculated for areas covered with repair material and areas not covered with repair material at 6 in from bottom. The results are shown graphically.



Comparison of chloride content.



Chloride Content Profiles:







| Wrap | None |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Resin | None |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |

A18. CNC15



CNC15 full view with rebar A in front.



CNC15 Area DC.

- 1) A vertical crack of width 0.06 in. occurred over rebar A, extending from top to 7.5 in. from bottom.
- 2) A vertical hairline crack occurred over rebar B, extending from 6.5 in. to 14 in. from top.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.04 in. occurred over rebar B, extending from 14 in. to 26 in from top.
- 4) A few vertical hairline cracks occurred in area AB, extending from 12 in. to 20 in. from top.
- 5) A vertical crack of width 0.04 in. occurred over rebar C, extending from top to 33 in. from top.
- 6) A vertical crack of width 0.06 in. occurred over rebar D, extending from top to 32 in. from top.
- 7) A Stain spot (2 in. in diameter) was located in area CD, at 9 in. above bottom.
- 8) A Stain spot (0.5 in. \times 2 in.) was located over rebar C, at 9 in. above bottom.
- 9) A Stain spot (1 in. \times 1 in.)was located in area AB, at 17 in. above bottom.





Chloride Content Profiles:







| Wrap | Generic – 24 in. |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Resin | 862 |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | LMC |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Ferrogard |

A19. CNC18



Cylinder CNC18 wrapped over top 24 in. Rust stains visible in unwrapped region.



Repair patch and rust stains over rebar D.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped over the top 24 in.
- 2) A 0.016-in. vertical crack was located over rebar A, extending from 27 in. to 34 in. from the top.
- 3) A 0.013-in.vertical crack was observed over rebar B, extending from 27 in. to 31 in. from top.
- 4) Rust stains occurred in area BC in the unwrapped region.
- 5) The repair patch is as shown in the figure.



Comments:

- 1) Unwrapped portions of rebar A and B were corroded while those of rebars C and D were not. This was likely due to the presence of repair material over rebars C and D.
- 2) No corrosion was observed in the wrapped regions.



Distance from bottom (in.)

Chloride Content Profiles:





A20. S1

| Wrap | Delta - 24 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Surtreat |



Cylinder S1 wrapped over top 24 in.



Cylinder S1 after removal of wrap.

- 1) The cylinder was covered with wrap over the top 24 in.
- 2) The wrap was intact at all places.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.03 in. was observed over rebar A, extending from 0 in. to 12 in., accompanied with rust stains.
- 4) A vertical crack of width 0.016 in. was observed over rebar B, extending from 0 in. to 10 in., accompanied with rust stains.
- 5) A vertical crack of width 0.02 in. was observed over rebar C, extending from 4 in. to 12 in.



Chloride Content Profile:





A21. S2

| Wrap | Delta – 36 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Surtreat |



Column S2 Completely wrapped.



Column S2 after removal of wrap.

Visual observations:

- 1) The column was completely wrapped. The wrap was intact at all places.
- 2) No cracks or rust stains were observed after the wrap was removed.



Chloride Content Profile:







| Wrap | Delta - 24 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Surtreat |



Cylinder S3 wrapped over top 24 in.



Cylinder S3 after removal of wrap.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped over the top 24 in.
- 2) The wrap was intact at all places.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.013 in. was observed over rebar A, extending from 0 in. to 12 in., accompanied with rust stains.
- 4) A vertical crack of width 0.03 in. was observed over rebar B, extending from 3 in. to 12 in., accompanied with rust stains.
- 5) A vertical hairline crack of width 0.01 in. was observed over rebar C, extending from 2 in. to 12 in., accompanied with rust stains.



Chloride Content Profile:





| A23. S | 4 |
|--------|---|
| | |

| Wrap | Delta – 36 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Surtreat |



Column S4 Completely wrapped.



Column S4 after removal of wrap.

Visual observations:

- 1) The column was completely wrapped. The wrap was intact at all places.
- 2) No cracks or rust stains were observed after the wrap was removed.



Chloride Content Profiles:





| A | 24. | S 5 |
|---|-----|------------|
| | | |

| Wrap | Delta - 24 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Cortec |



Cylinder S5 wrapped over top 24 in.



Cylinder S5 after removal of wrap.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped over the top 24 in.
- 2) The wrap was intact at all places.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.016 in. was observed over rebar A, extending from 5 in. to 9 in.
- 4) A vertical crack of width 0.016 in. was observed over rebar B, extending from 0 in. to 12 in.
- 5) Rust stains were observed in the unwrapped region.



Chloride Content Profiles:






| Wrap | Delta – 36 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Cortec |





Column S6 completely wrapped.

After removal of wrap.

Visual Observation:

- 1) The column was completely wrapped. The wrap was intact at all places.
- 2) Rust stains were observed at 6 in. above bottom over area DA and area AB, 1.5 in. above bottom over area BC and 26 in. above bottom over rebar C.

Comments:

- 1) Local concentrated corrosion was observed as marked.
- 2) The column was completely wrapped but still there was heavy corrosion in certain areas. In most of the other specimens (cast before these new specimens), it was observed that the wrap had proved beneficial in preventing corrosion.



Heavy corrosion at 4 in. above bottom on rebar C



Chloride Content Profiles:





- Heavily corroded areas
- Very light, onesided corrosion

| Wrap | Delta - 24 in. |
|----------------------------|----------------|
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Cortec |



Cylinder S7 wrapped over top 24 in.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped over the top 24 in.
- 2) The wrap was intact at all places.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.013 in. was observed over rebar B, extending from 0 in. to 6 in.
- 4) A vertical crack of width 0.02 in. was observed over rebar C, extending from 0 in. to 10 in.
- 5) A few rust stains were observed in the unwrapped region.



| A | 27 | S8 |
|---|----|-----------|
| | | |

| Wrap | Delta – 36 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Cortec |



Column S8 completely wrapped.



No cracks or rust stains after removal of wrap.

Visual Inspection:

- 1) The cylinder was completely wrapped. The wrap was intact at all places.
- 2) No rust stains or cracks were visible after removal of wrap.
- 3) The surface of concrete was finished properly.

Comments:

- 1) Though the column was fully wrapped, heavy corrosion was observed in certain areas and light corrosion in some, as marked.
- 2) The inhibitor used, Cortec, does not seem to be beneficial in preventing corrosion.



Chloride Content Profiles:





| A | 28. | S9 |
|---|-----|-----------|
| | | |

| Wrap | Delta - 24 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Sika |



Cylinder S9 wrapped over top 24 in.



Crack over rebar C, starting where the wrap ends.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped over the top 24 in.
- 2) The wrap was intact at all places.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.02 in. was observed over rebar B, extending from 9 in. to 12 in.
- 4) A vertical crack of width 0.02 in. was observed over rebar C, extending from bottom to 12 in.



Chloride Content Profile:







| A29 |). Si | 10 |
|-----|-------|----|
| | | |

| Wrap | Delta – 36 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | sika |



Cylinder S10 completely wrapped.



Cylinder S10 after removal of wrap.

Visual observations:

- 1) The column was wrapped till bottom. The wrap was intact at all places.
- 2) No cracks or rust stains were observed after removal of wrap.

Comments:

1) The level and amount of corrosion is lesser when compared to specimens S6 and S8.



Chloride Content Profile:





A30. S11

| Wrap | Delta - 24 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Sika |



Cylinder S11 wrapped over top 24 in.



Cylinder S11 after removal of wrap.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped over the top 24 in.
- 2) The wrap was intact at all places.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.04 in. was observed over rebar C, extending from 0 in. to 12 in.
- 4) A vertical crack of width 0.016 in. was observed over rebar B, extending from 2 in. to 12 in. accompanied with rust stains.
- 5) A vertical crack of width 0.016 in. was observed over rebar D, extending from 0 in. to 10 in.
- 6) Bottom (4 in. \times 2.5 in.) chunk of concrete had fallen in area CD.



Chloride Content Profile:





| Wrap | Delta -36 in. |
|---------------------|---------------|
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Sika |



Specimen S12 with wrap intact.



Specimen S12 after removal of wrap.

- 1) The cylinder was wrapped over the full length. The wrap was intact in all places.
- 2) No rust stains or cracks were observed before or after removal of wrap.

Comments:

- 1) The amount of corrosion was very low throughout, except on rebar C which was more corroded than the others.
- 2) Very little loss of cross-section was observed on the rebars.
- 3) Compared to cylinder S16, which had the same parameters except that it did not contain any corrosion inhibitor, corrosion was lower in cylinder S12 which contained the corrosion inhibitor Sika.



Chloride Content Profiles:



Corrosion of rebars:





 Areas with light, onesided corrosion

| Wrap | Delta - 24 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |



Cylinder S13 wrapped over top 24 in.



Crack and rust stains over rebar B on cylinder S13.

- 1) The cylinder is wrapped over the top 24 in.
- 2) The wrap was intact in all places.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.013 in. was observed over rebar A, extending from 6 in. to 12 in.
- 4) A vertical crack of width 0.03 in. was observed over rebar B, extending from 0 in. to 12 in.
- 5) A vertical crack of width 0.03 in. was observed over rebar D, extending from 0 in. to 12 in.
- 6) Rust stains were observed in the unwrapped region.







| Wrap | Delta- 36 in. |
|---------------------|---------------|
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |



Specimen S14 with wrap intact.



Specimen S14 after removal of wrap.

- 1) The cylinder was completely wrapped. The wrap was intact in all places.
- 2) No rust stains or cracks were observed before or after removal of wrap.

Comments:

- 1) The level of corrosion was higher than that of cylinder S16, possibly since cylinder S14 was cracked while S16 was uncracked. Overall the amount of corrosion was much lesser than that of unwrapped specimens.
- 2) Very less loss of cross-section was observed on the rebars.



Chloride Content Profiles:





| A34. | S15 |
|------|-----|
| | |

| Wrap | Delta - 24 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |



Cylinder S15 wrapped over top 24 in.



Cylinder S15 after removal of wrap.

- 1) The cylinder is wrapped over the top 24 in.
- 2) The wrap is intact in all places.
- 3) A vertical hairline crack (width 0.01 in.) was observed over rebar D and rebar C, extending from 0 in. to 12 in., accompanied with rust stains.
- 4) Small rust stains were observed all over the unwrapped region.









A35. S16

| Wrap | Delta – 36 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |



Cylinder S16 with wrap removed.



Cylinder S16 completely wrapped.

- 1) The cylinder was completely wrapped. The wrap was intact in all places.
- 2) No rust stains or cracks were observed before or after removal of wrap.

Comments:

- 1) Rebar A was corroded only near the top. No major corrosion was observed anywhere else.
- 2) Rebar B, C, D were lightly corroded intermittently. Very less corrosion was observed on rebar D.
- 3) There was a marked difference in the level of corrosion of unwrapped and wrapped specimens.
- 4) It was observed in nearly all the specimens that the top 1 in. to 1 1/2 in. of rebar, just below the surface on the exposed upper end, was always corroded. The portions of the rebars that were extended out underwent heavy corrosion, and the corrosion extended to the covered portions as well.



Chloride Content Profiles:





| Wrap | None |
|---------------------|---------|
| Resin | None |
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |

A36. S19





Spalling and cracking at bottom of Area AD.

Specimen S19, Rebar A in front.

Visual Inspection:

- 1) A vertical crack of width 0.013 in. occurred over rebar A, extending from the top to 22 in. from top. Wider cracks of width 0.03 in. occurred near bottom.
- A vertical crack of width 0.02 in. occurred over rebar B that turned diagonal after 20 in. from top. Approximately 3/4 in. diameter stain spots were located at top near rebar B.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.02 in. occurred from top to bottom over rebar C. Stain spots of approximately 3/4 in. diameter were located along the crack.
- 4) A vertical crack of width 0.016 in. occurred from top to bottom over rebar D.
- 5) The concrete was spalled over bottom area AD.

Comments:

- 1) Rebar A was much less corroded than rebar D, even though the half-cell readings indicate otherwise.
- 2) Bars were not corroded where spacers were embedded.
- 3) Rebar A was lesser corroded over bottom 11 in., especially on one side; and was intermittently corroded above that.
- 4) Rebars C and D were highly corroded, especially at the bottom. (Spalling and large cracks had been observed near the bottom.)



Chloride Content Profiles:



Corrosion of rebars:



| Wrap | Generic-27" |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Resin | 862 |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | LMC |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Ferrogard |





Specimen RC1 wrapped over the top 27 in.



Specimen RC1 with rust stain on rebar B.

- 1) The square specimen was wrapped over the top 27in.
- 2) A vertical crack of width 0.05 in. was observed over rebar D extending from 0 in. to 5 in. on face DC.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.05 in. was observed over rebar C extending from 0 in. to 4 in. on face BC.
- 4) A vertical crack of width 0.01 in. was observed over rebar B extending from 0 in. to 2.5 in. on face BC.
- 5) A vertical crack of width 1/8 in. was observed over rebar B extending from 0 in. to 2 in. on face AB.
- 6) A vertical crack of width 0.02 in. was observed over rebar A extending from 0 in. to 2.5 in. on face AB.



Chloride Content Profiles:





- Heavily corroded areas
- Very light, onesided corrosion

| A38 | 3. R | C6 |
|-----|------|-----------|
| A38 | 5. K | .C6 |

| Wrap | Gen/del-33" |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Resin | 862 |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | LMC |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |



Specimen RC6 wrapped over the top 33 in.



Specimen RC6 after removal of wrap

- 1) The specimen was covered with repair material extending from 20 in. to 36 in. over face DA and half each of face AB and DC.
- 2) Vertical cracks of width 0.03 in. and 0.013 in. were observed over rebar D extending from 0 in. to 4 in. on face DA and from 0 in. to 7 in. on face CD respectively.
- 3) Vertical cracks of width 0.02 in. were observed over rebar A extending from 0 in. to 2.5 in. on face AB and from 0 in. to 4 in. on face AB.
- 4) Vertical cracks of width 0.016 in. were observed over rebar B extending from 0 in. to 5 in. on face AB and from 0 in. to 7 in. on face BC.
- 5) Vertical cracks of width 0.01 in. were observed over rebar C extending from 0 in. to 6 in. on face BC and face CD.



Chloride Content Profiles:





| AJY. KUO | A39. | RC8 |
|----------|------|-----|
|----------|------|-----|

| Wrap | None |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Resin | None |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | LMC |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |





Specimen RC8 with no wrap.

- 1) Large vertical cracks of width 1/8 in. were observed on each side on each rebar extending over the full length of the specimens.
- 2) The cracks were accompanied with large rust stains.
- 3) Concrete had spalled-off over the lower end of rebar B.



Chloride Content Profiles:





| A40. | RC9 |
|------|-----|
| | |

| Wrap | Gen/del – 24 in. |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Resin | 862 |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | Ferrogard |





Specimen RC9.

- 1) A vertical crack of width 0.07 in. was observed over rebar C extending from 0 in. to 4 in. on face CD.
- 2) Vertical cracks of width 0.02 in. and 0.06 in. were observed over rebar D extending from 0 in. to 4 in. on face CD and face DA respectively.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 0.04 in. was observed over rebar A extending from 0 in. to 4 in. on face DA.



Chloride Content Profiles:





| Wrap | Generic – 36 in. |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Resin | Vinyl ester |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Uncracked |
| Repair Material | LMC |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |







Specimen RNC4 before and after removal of wrap.

- 1) The specimen was completely wrapped and the wrap was intact in all places.
- 2) No cracks or stain spots were visible on the wrap.
- 3) The specimen was covered with repair material extending from 0 in. to 17 in. over face BC and CD.
- 4) A rust stain was observed on the lower end of rebar A.



Chloride Content Profiles:





| Wrap | Delta – 30 in. |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Resin | Delta system |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |







Specimen RNC5 before and after removal of wrap.

- 1) A vertical crack of width 1/8 in. was observed over rebar A extending from 0 in. to 6 in. on face DA.
- 2) A vertical crack of width 1/8 in. was observed over rebar D extending from 0 in. to 6 in. on face CD.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 3/16 in. was observed over rebar C extending from 0 in. to 6 in. on face CD.
- 4) A vertical crack of width 3/16 in. was observed over rebar B extending from 0 in. to 7 in. on face BC.
- 5) The specimen was covered with repair material extending from 16 in -36 in. over face CD.



Chloride Content Profiles:



Corrosion on rebars:


| Wrap | Generic – 24 in. |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Resin | 862 |
| Surface at | Dry |
| Crack Condition | Cracked |
| Repair Material | None |
| Corrosion Inhibitor | None |

A43. RNC8



Specimen RNC8 before and after removal of wrap.

Visual Inspection:

- 1) A vertical crack of width 1/8 in. was observed over rebar B extending from 0 in. to 6 in. on face AB.
- 2) A vertical crack of width 0.08 in. was observed over rebar A extending from 0 in. to 7 in. on face AB.
- 3) A vertical crack of width 3/16 in. was observed over rebar C extending from 0 in. to 7 in. on face CD.
- 4) A vertical crack of width 0.06 in. was observed over rebar D extending from 0 in. to 7 in. on face CD.
- 5) A vertical crack of width 0.06 in. was observed over rebar D extending from 0 in. to 7 in. on face DA.

Half-Cell Potential Contour:



Chloride Content Profiles:



Corrosion of rebars:



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