

SGI TESTING SERVICES

A GEORGIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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Mr. Mike Orton SRW Products, Inc. P.O. Box 70 Princeton, MN 55371

Subject: Laboratory Test Results Transmittal

Connection Strength Testing

SRW Geogrids Connected to V-Interlock Precast Blocks

Dear Mr. Orton,

SGI Testing Services, LLC (SGI) is pleased to present the attached test results for the above-mentioned testing program. The note section below addresses sample preparation, sample disposal and a disclosure statement.

SGI appreciates the opportunity to provide laboratory testing services to SRW Products. Should you have any questions regarding the attached document(s), or if you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Zehong Yuan, Ph.D., P.E. Laboratory Manager

Attachments

NOTES:

(1) Unless otherwise noted in the test results the sample(s)/specimen(s) were prepared in accordance with the applicable test standards or generally accepted sampling procedures.

(2) Contaminated/chemical samples and all related laboratory generated waste (i.e., test liquids, PPE, absorbents, etc.) will be returned to the client or designated representative(s), at the client's cost, within 60 days following the completion of the testing program, unless special arrangements for proper disposal are made with SGI.

(3) Materials that are not contaminated will be discarded after test specimens and archived specimens are obtained. Archived specimens will be discarded 30 days after the completion of the testing program, unless long-term storage arrangements are specifically made with SGI.

(4) The reported results apply only to the materials and test conditions used in the laboratory testing program. The results do not necessarily apply to other materials or test conditions. The test results should not be used in engineering analysis unless the test conditions model the anticipated field conditions. The testing was performed in accordance with general engineering testing standards and requirements. The reported results are submitted for the exclusive use of the client to whom they are addressed.

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ATTACHMENT A

SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM AND TEST PHOTOS

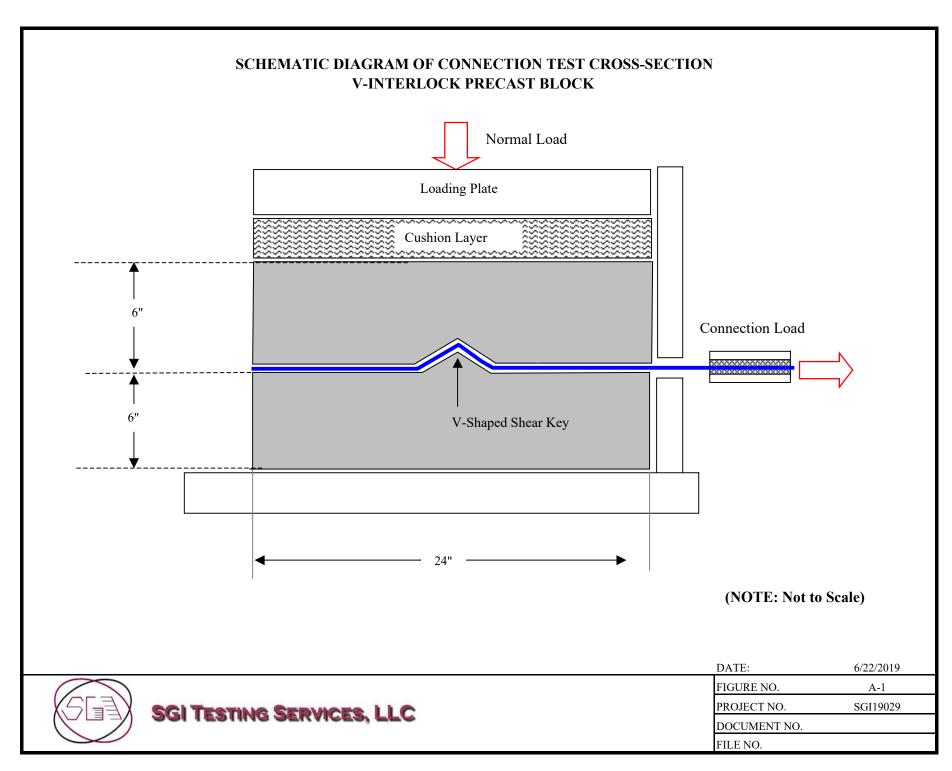




Figure A-2. Side view of top and bottom V-Interlock blocks.



Figure A-3. Front view of the connection test setup.



Figure A-4. A geogrid placed between bottom and top V-Interlock blocks.

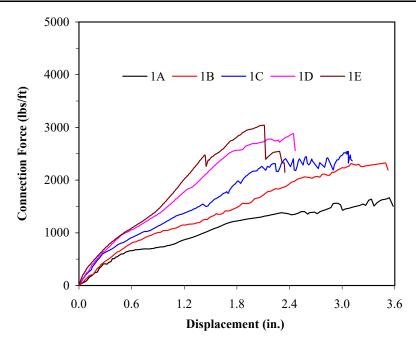


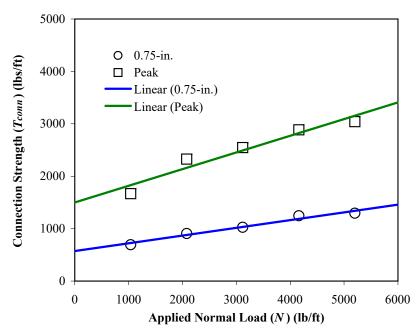
Figure A-5. Abrasion and rupture of geogrid at the completion of a test. The arrow points to direction of connection load.

ATTACHMENT B CONNECTION TEST RESULTS

SRW PRODUCTS CONNECTION STRENGTH TESTING (ASTM D 6638)

TEST SERIES NO. 1: SRW-7 geogrid in machine direction between two courses of V-Interlock blocks without AASHTO #57 stone





Test	Geogrid	Test	Equivalent	Approximate	Approximate	0.75-in.	Peak	Connection Strength Equations		
No.	Specimen Width	Normal Stress	Normal Load	No. of Blocks	Wall Height	Strength	Strength	(Strength assu	med to be	e linearly related to N)
	W	σ_n	N	n	h	T _{0.75-in}	T_{peak}			
	(in.)	(psi)	(lb/ft)	(-)	(ft)	(lb/ft)	(lb/ft)			
1A	23.0	3.6	1040			694	1665			
1B	23.0	7.2	2080			906	2325	$T_{0.75\text{-in.}} =$	570	$+ (N) tan (8^{o})$
1C	23.0	10.8	3120			1026	2547			
1D	23.0	14.4	4160			1244	2885	$T_{peak} =$	1500	$+ (N) tan (18^{\circ})$
1E	23.0	18.1	5200			1293	3041			

NOTES:

Dimensions of Block:

Weight of Full-Size Block: .

Approximate Unit Weight of Facing (Block):

Failure Mode:

24" wide by 24" long and 6" high.

Abrasion and/or rupture of geogrid ribs against the V-shaped shear key of blocks in each test.

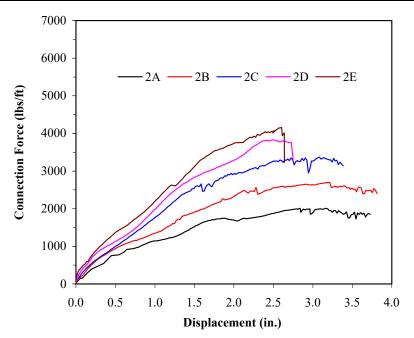


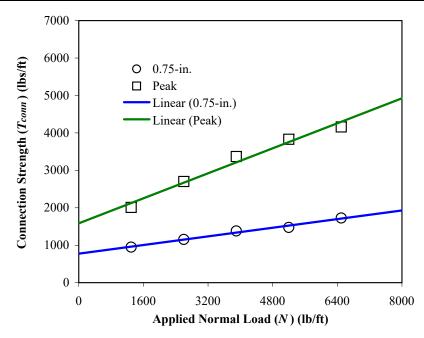
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SRW PRODUCTS CONNECTION STRENGTH TESTING (ASTM D 6638)

TEST SERIES NO. 2: SRW-9 geogrid in machine direction between two courses of V-Interlock blocks without AASHTO #57 stone





Test	Geogrid	Test	Equivalent	Approximate	Approximate	0.75-in.	Peak	Connection Strength Equations	
No.	Specimen Width	Normal Stress	Normal Load	No. of Blocks	Wall Height	Strength	Strength	(Strength assumed to be linearly related to N)	
	W	$\sigma_{\scriptscriptstyle n}$	N	n	h	$T_{0.75\text{-}in}$	$T_{\it peak}$		
	(in.)	(psi)	(lb/ft)	(-)	(ft)	(lb/ft)	(lb/ft)		
2A	23.0	4.5	1300			950	2010		
2B	23.0	9.0	2600			1153	2699	$T_{0.75-in.} = 775 + (N) \tan(8^{\circ})$	
2C	23.0	13.5	3900			1380	3369		
2D	23.0	18.1	5200			1475	3831	$T_{peak} = 1585 + (N) tan (23^{\circ})$	
2E	23.0	22.6	6500			1727	4160		

NOTES:

Dimensions of Block:

24" wide by 24" long and 6" high.

Weight of Full-Size Block: .

Approximate Unit Weight of Facing (Block):

Failure Mode:

Abrasion and/or rupture of geogrid ribs against the V-shaped shear key of blocks in each test.



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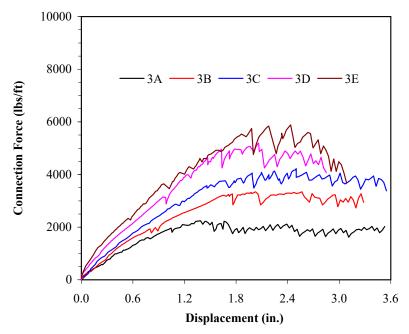
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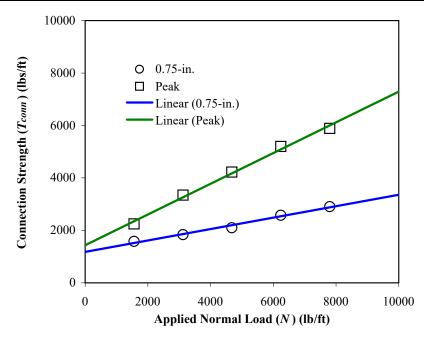
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SRW PRODUCTS CONNECTION STRENGTH TESTING (ASTM D 6638)

TEST SERIES NO. 3: SRW-11 geogrid in machine direction between two courses of V-Interlock blocks without AASHTO #57 stone





Test	Geogrid	Test	Equivalent	Approximate	Approximate	0.75-in.	Peak	Connection Strength Equations	
No.	Specimen Width	Normal Stress	Normal Load	No. of Blocks	Wall Height	Strength	Strength	(Strength assumed to be linearly related to N)	
	W	σ_n	N	n	h	$T_{0.75\text{-}in}$	$T_{\it peak}$		
	(in.)	(psi)	(lb/ft)	(-)	(ft)	(lb/ft)	(lb/ft)		
3A	23.0	5.4	1560			1579	2243		
3B	23.0	10.8	3120			1836	3342	$T_{0.75\text{-in.}} = 1180 + (N) \tan(12^{\circ})$	
3C	23.0	16.3	4680			2099	4223		
3D	23.0	21.7	6240			2574	5197	$T_{peak} = 1435 + (N) tan (30^{\circ})$	
3E	23.0	27.1	7800			2906	5885		

NOTES:

Dimensions of Block:

24" wide by 24" long and 6" high.

Weight of Full-Size Block: .

Approximate Unit Weight of Facing (Block):

Failure Mode:

Abrasion and/or rupture of geogrid ribs against the V-shaped shear key of blocks in each test.



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