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**RE: Proposed Revisions to the Acceptance Criteria AC106**

Dear Mahmut:

This is regarding the eight proposed revisions to AC106 that are detailed in your letter to Parties Interested in Evaluation Reports on Pre drilled Fasteners (Screw Anchors) in Masonry Elements dated February 1, 2010. We have reviewed the revisions that you have proposed and are pleased to report that we are supportive of these changes. However, although we agree in principle with the changes suggested in point #7 (Revise Section 5.2), it is our opinion that the language for this section should be identical to the language found in section 8.2 of AC01. This section of AC01 says: [“Quality Documentation complying with the ICC-ES Acceptance Criteria for Quality Documentation \(AC10\) shall be submitted”](#). We believe this language is clearer than what is being proposed in section 5.2 of AC106, and we recommend using this language in place of what is being proposed.

Also, you requested input regarding the affect the new editions of the ASTM standards noted in this criteria may have on the testing procedures. For these anchors, ASTM E488 is the testing standard that is utilized. The date referenced for E488 is 1996, and the standard was reaproved in 2003 without change. Nothing with respect to this testing procedure has changed in many years. Therefore, retesting is not required.

Thank you for the opportunity to review these proposed revisions to AC106. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "C. La Vine". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Chris La Vine  
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