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**EVALUATION SUBJECT:**

**GOLIATHTECH HELICAL PILE SYSTEMS**

**1.0 EVALUATION SCOPE**

**Compliance with the following codes:**

2015, 2012 and 2009 *International Building Code*® (IBC)

**Properties evaluated:**

Structural and geotechnical

**2.0 USES**

GoliathTech Helical Pile Systems are used either to underpin foundations of existing structures or to form deep foundations for new structures; and are designed to transfer compression, tension and lateral loads from the supported structures to suitable soil bearing strata. Underpinning of existing foundations is generally achieved by attaching the helical piles to the underpinning brackets (Type A side-load brackets), which support compression loads only. Deep foundations for new construction are generally obtained by attaching the helical piles to new construction brackets (Type B direct-load brackets) that are embedded in concrete pile caps or grade beams, which support tension, compression and lateral loads.

**3.0 DESCRIPTION**

**3.1 General:**

The GoliathTech helical pile systems consist of a helical pile and a bracket that allows for attachment to the supported structures. Each helical pile, consisting of a lead section and one or more extension sections, is screwed into the ground by application of torsion to a depth that conforms to project requirements for avoidance of unsatisfactory subsurface conditions and ensures a suitable soil or bedrock bearing stratum has been reached. The bracket is then installed to connect the pile to the concrete foundation of the supported structure.

**3.2 System Components:**

The GoliathTech helical pile systems include either a 2<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-inch (73 mm) or 3½-inch (89 mm) outside diameter helical pile lead shaft (shaft with a helix or helices), extension shaft(s), and either a underpinning bracket or a new construction bracket, for attachment to concrete foundations. The lead shaft is connected to extension shaft(s) by couplings, as described in Section 3.2.3. The helical pile is connected to a foundation bracket, as described in Section 3.2.4.

**3.2.1 Helical Pile Lead Shafts and Extensions:** The GoliathTech helical pile lead and extensions are available in two different shaft sizes: 2<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-inch- outside-diameter (73 mm) or 3½-inch- outside-diameter (89 mm) round steel tubing. The helical pile lead shafts consist of one or more helical-shaped circular steel plates factory-welded to the steel shaft. The extension shafts are similar to the lead shafts, except that the extensions do not have helical plates. See Figure 1A and 1B of this report for helical lead and extension configurations. The depth of the helical piles in soil is typically extended by adding one or more steel shaft extensions that are mechanically connected together by steel couplings, to form one continuous steel pile.

The 2<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-inch-outside-diameter (73 mm) and 3½-inch-outside-diameter (89 mm) round steel tubing lead shaft and extension sections are available in 0.25-inch (6.4 mm) nominal wall thickness. The helical lead shaft and extension sections come in the following lengths: 7 feet (2.13 m) lead section, 3 and 7 foot (0.91 and 2.13 m) extensions.

**3.2.2 Helix Plates:** Each circular, helical, steel bearing plate (helix) is split from the center to the outside edge with spiral edge geometry. Each helix is formed to a clockwise downward spiral with all radial sections normal to the shaft's central longitudinal axis ±3° and with a 3-inch nominal pitch. The pitch is the distance between the leading and trailing edges. The helices are factory fillet-welded to the pile shaft. Each helix plate is 0.375 inch (9.5 mm) thick and has an outer diameter of 9, 11 or 13 inches (229, 279 or 330 mm). See Figure 1B for details.

**3.2.3 Couplings:** Holes are factory-drilled at each end of an extension section and at the upper end of the lead section, so as to allow the multiple shaft sections (between the lead and the extension section or between two extension sections) to be through-bolted together during the installation.

One end of each 2<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-inch- outside-diameter (73 mm) and 3½-inch- outside-diameter (89 mm) extension section has a steel coupler that consists of a pipe sleeve, factory-

welded to the end of the extension, which allows the upper end of the lead shaft or the other end of an extension section to be snug-fitted into the welded coupler. The  $2\frac{7}{8}$ -inch-outside-diameter (73 mm) coupler sleeve is a round, hollow structural steel section, HSS3.5x0.250, measuring 5 inches long (127 mm), and having a  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inch (89 mm) outside diameter and a 0.25 inch (6.4 mm) nominal wall thickness. The  $3\frac{1}{2}$ -inch-outside-diameter (89 mm) coupler pipe sleeve is a round, hollow structural steel section, HSS4.00x0.188, measuring 6.375 inch long (162 mm), and having a 4-inch (102 mm) outside diameter and a 0.188 inch (4.8 mm) nominal wall thickness. Holes are factory drilled at each end of an extension section and at the upper end of the lead section, so as to allow multiple shaft sections to be through-bolted together during the installation. For  $2\frac{7}{8}$ -inch- outside-diameter (73 mm) helical piles, each coupling connection includes two  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch-diameter (12.7 mm), 4.714-inch-long (120 mm), standard hex-head structural bolts, and two matching hex nuts. For  $3\frac{1}{2}$ -inch- outside-diameter (89 mm) helical piles, each coupling connection includes three  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch-diameter (12.7 mm), 5.214-inch-long (132 mm), standard hex-head structural bolts, and three matching hex nuts.

**3.2.4 Brackets:** The GoliathTech Underpinning Bracket assembly is a side-load bracket, intended to attach helical piles that support axial compression loads only. GoliathTech New Construction Bracket is a direct-load bracket and is for attaching to helical piles that support axial compression, axial tension and lateral loads. The different brackets are described in Sections 3.2.4.1 through 3.2.4.2.

**3.2.4.1 GoliathTech Underpinning Bracket Assemblies:** The GoliathTech Underpinning Bracket assemblies (GTUP278, GTUP278N, GTUP312, and GTUP312N) described in Tables 1A and 1B are for use with the  $2\frac{7}{8}$ -inch- outside-diameter (73 mm) and  $3\frac{1}{2}$ -inch-outside-diameter (89 mm) helical piles and are used to transfer axial compressive loading only from existing concrete foundations to the helical piles. The bracket assemblies consist of a bracket subassembly and a lifting bolt plate assembly. The bracket subassembly as shown in Figure 3 is factory-welded and is constructed from  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch (6.4 mm) thick steel plates. The underpinning bracket seat measures 8.25 inches (210 mm) deep by 18 inches (457 mm) long. The lifting bolt plate assembly as shown in Figure 3 is constructed from 1-inch (25.4 mm) thick lifting plates and two 1-inch (25.4 mm) threaded steel rods. The threaded steel rods are secure with matching nuts and washers. The brackets are available in bare steel or galvanized steel.

**3.2.4.2 GoliathTech New Construction Bracket Assemblies:** The GoliathTech New Construction Bracket assemblies Model Nos. GTBRST278 and GTBRST312 are for use with the  $2\frac{7}{8}$ -inch-outside-diameter (73 mm) and  $3\frac{1}{2}$ -inch-outside-diameter (89 mm) helical piles, respectively, and for embedment in cast-in-place concrete foundations. Each new construction bracket consists of one bearing plate and one steel tube sleeve that are factory-welded together to form the bracket. Figure 2 provide details. The bearing plate for the GTBRST278 is  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch (6.4 mm) thick and 5 inches (127 mm) square, with four  $\frac{7}{16}$ -inch (11.1 mm) diameter holes located at the corners of the plate. The sleeve of the GTBRST278 is a round, 5-inch-long (127 mm),  $3\frac{1}{2}$ -inch-outside-diameter (89 mm), 0.250-inch (6.35 mm) nominal wall thickness steel tube, with two  $\frac{9}{16}$ -inch (14.3 mm) diameter holes for through bolting. The bearing plate for the GTBRST312 is  $\frac{3}{8}$ -inch (9.5 mm) thick and 6.5 inches (165 mm) square, with four  $\frac{7}{16}$ -inch (11.1 mm) diameter holes located at the corners of the plate. The sleeve of the GTBRST312 is a

round, 6.375-inch-long (162 mm), 4-inch-outside-diameter (102 mm), 0.188-inch nominal wall thickness steel tube, with three  $\frac{9}{16}$ -inch (14.3 mm) diameter holes for through bolting. The bolts are  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch (12.7 mm) hex-head steel bolts and come with matching nuts. The brackets are available in bare steel or galvanized steel.

### 3.3 Material Specifications:

#### 3.3.1 Helical Pile Lead Shafts and Extensions:

The shaft lead and extension of the  $2\frac{7}{8}$ -inch- outside-diameter (73 mm) and  $3\frac{1}{2}$ -inch- outside-diameter (89 mm) helical piles sections are made from carbon steel round structural tubes that conform to ASTM A500, Grade C, except having a minimum yield strength of 60 ksi (414 MPa) and minimum tensile strength of 70 ksi (483 MPa). The shafts and extensions are available in bare steel and hot-dipped galvanized in accordance with ASTM A123.

#### 3.3.2 Helix Plates:

The helix plates of the  $2\frac{7}{8}$ -inch- outside-diameter (73 mm) and  $3\frac{1}{2}$ -inch- outside-diameter (89 mm) helical piles are made from high strength low alloy steel complying with CSA G40.21 50W having a minimum yield strength of 60 ksi (414 MPa) and a minimum tensile strength of 70 ksi (483 MPa). The helix plates and the shafts to which they are factory-welded are available in bare steel and may also be hot-dipped galvanized as assemblies in accordance with ASTM A123.

#### 3.3.3 Coupling:

The coupling sleeves of the  $2\frac{7}{8}$ -inch- outside-diameter (73 mm) and  $3\frac{1}{2}$ -inch- outside-diameter (89 mm) helical pile extensions are made from carbon steel round structural tubes that conform to ASTM A500, Grade C, except having a minimum yield strength of 60 ksi (414 MPa) and minimum tensile strength of 70 ksi (483 MPa). The sleeves can be bare or hot-dipped galvanized as welded assemblies in accordance with ASTM A123. The bolts used in with the couplings conform to SAE J429, Grade 5, with threads excluded from the shear planes. The matching hex nuts conform to SAE J995, Grade 5. The bolts and nuts may be bare or hot-dipped galvanized in accordance with ASTM A153.

#### 3.3.4 GoliathTech Underpinning Bracket Assemblies:

The steel plates conform to CSA G40.21 50W having a minimum yield strength of 60 ksi (414 MPa) and a minimum tensile strength of 70 ksi (483 MPa). The steel tubes conform to ASTM A500, Grade C, except having a minimum yield strength of 60 ksi (414 MPa) and minimum tensile strength of 70 ksi (483 MPa). The threaded rods conform to SAE J429, Grade 5 with matching nuts conforming to SAE J995, Grade 5 and steel washers conforming to ASTM F436. The welded assembly can be bare steel or may be hot-dipped galvanized in accordance with ASTM A123.

#### 3.3.5 GoliathTech New Construction Brackets:

The bearing plates conform to CSA G40.21 50W having a minimum yield strength of 60 ksi (414 MPa) and a minimum tensile strength of 70 ksi (483 MPa). The sleeves conform to ASTM A500, Grade C, except having a minimum yield strength of 60 ksi (414 MPa) and minimum tensile strength of 70 ksi (483 MPa). The bolts conform to SAE J429, Grade 5 with matching hex nuts conforming to SAE J995, Grade 5. The new construction brackets come in bare or may be hot-dipped galvanized in accordance with ASTM A123. When the bracket is hot-dipped galvanized, the bolt and nut must be hot-dipped galvanized in accordance with ASTM A153.

## 4.0 DESIGN AND INSTALLATION

### 4.1 Design:

**4.1.1 General:** Engineering calculations (analysis and design) and drawings, prepared by a registered design professional, must be submitted to and approved by the code official for each project, and must be based on accepted engineering principles, as described in IBC Section 1604.4, and must conform to IBC Section 1810. The engineering analysis must address the helical foundation system performance related to structural and geotechnical requirements. The calculations must address the ability (considering strength and stiffness) of the supported foundation and structure to transmit the applied loads to the helical foundation system and the ability of the helical piles and surrounding soils to support the loads applied by the supported foundation and structure. The design method for the steel components is either the Load and Resistance Factor Design (LRFD), or the Allowable Strength Design (ASD), described in IBC Section 1602 and AISC 360 Section B3. The design method for the concrete components is the Strength Design (also called LRFD) described in IBC Section 1602 and ACI 318. The design method for soils is the ASD prescribed in IBC Sections 1801.2 and 1602.

The structural analysis must consider all applicable internal forces (axial forces, shears, bending moments and torsional moments, if applicable) due to applied loads, eccentricity between applied loads and reactions acting on the pile-supported structure, the forces/moments exerted on the concrete foundations by the GoliathTech brackets, and the design span(s) between helical foundations.

The effects of the structural eccentricity, including the reactions (forces and moments) exerted by the bracket to the pile-supported structures, vary with application, and must be included in the structural analysis by a registered design professional. The result of this analysis and the structural capacities must be used to select a helical foundation system.

The minimum pile embedment into soil for various loading conditions must be determined based on the most stringent requirements of the following: engineering analysis; tested conditions and specified minimum pile embedment described in this report; the site-specific geotechnical investigation report; and site-specific load tests, if applicable.

The strengths (capacities) of the GoliathTech helical foundation components (bracket, shaft, helix and soil), including ASD allowable strength and LRFD strength, as described in IBC Section 1602 and AISC 360 Section B3, are included in this evaluation report. The bracket capacities are listed in Tables 1A and 1B; shaft capacities are listed in Tables 3A and 3B; helix capacities are listed in Table 4; and soil capacities are described in Section 4.1.5, below and Table 5.

The geotechnical analysis must address the suitability of the helical foundation system for the specific project. It must also address the center-to-center spacing of the helical pile, considering both effects on the supported foundation and structure and group effects on the pile-soil capacity. The analysis must include estimates of the axial tension and/or compression capacities of the helical piles, whatever is relevant for the project, and the expected total and differential foundation movements due to single pile or pile group, as applicable.

A written report of the geotechnical investigation must be submitted to the code official as part of the required submittal documents, prescribed in IBC Section 107, at the

time of the permit application. The geotechnical report must include, but not be limited to, the following information:

1. A plot showing the location of the soil investigation.
2. A complete record of the soil boring and penetration test logs and soil samples.
3. A record of soil profile.
4. Information on groundwater table, frost depth and corrosion-related parameters, as described in Section 5.5 of this report.
5. Soil properties, including those affecting the design such as support conditions of the piles.
6. Soil design parameters, such as shear strength parameters as required by Section 4.1.5; soil deformation parameters; and relative pile support conditions as defined in IBC Section 1810.2.1.
7. Recommendations for design criteria, including but not limited to: mitigations of effects of differential settlement and varying soil strength; and effects of adjacent loads.
8. Field inspection and reporting procedures (to include procedures for verification of the installed bearing capacity when required).
9. Load test requirements.
10. Any questionable soil characteristics and special design provisions, as necessary.

The allowable axial compressive or tensile load of the helical pile system must be based on the least of the following in accordance with 2015, 2012 and 2009 IBC Section 1810.3.3.1.9:

- P1: Allowable axial capacity of the bracket. Section 4.1.2 of this report includes bracket capacities.
- P2: Allowable axial capacity of pile shaft. Section 4.1.3 of this report includes pile shaft capacities.
- P3: Sum of the allowable axial capacity of helical bearing plates affixed to pile. Section 4.1.4 of this report includes helical plate axial capacities.
- P4: Allowable capacity determined from well-documented correlations with installation torque. Section 4.1.5 of this report includes torque correlation factors used to establish pile axial load capacities based on documented correlations.
- P4: Sum of the areas of the helical bearing plates times the ultimate bearing capacity of the soil or rock comprising the bearing stratum divided by a safety factor of 2. This capacity will be determined by a registered design professional based on site-specific soil conditions.
- P4: Allowable capacity predicted by dividing the ultimate capacity determined from load tests by a safety factor of at least 2.0. This capacity will be determined by a registered design professional for each site-specific condition.

**4.1.2 Bracket Capacity (P1):** Tables 1A and 1B includes underpinning bracket and new construction bracket capacities. The connections of the building structure to the helical pile brackets must be designed and included in the construction documents. The concrete foundation must be designed and justified to the satisfaction of the code official with due consideration to the eccentricity of applied loads, including reactions provided by the brackets, acting on the



concrete foundation. Only localized limit states of steel and supporting concrete foundation, including punching shear and bearing, have been considered in this evaluation report. Other limit states are outside the scope of this evaluation report and must be determined by the registered design professional. The effects of reduced lateral sliding resistance due to uplift from wind or seismic loads must be considered for each project.

**4.1.3 Shaft Capacity (P2):** Tables 3A and 3B provide shaft capacities, including coupling, and Tables 2A and 2B provide the mechanical properties. The top of shafts must be braced as prescribed in IBC Section 1810.2.2, and the supported foundation structures such as concrete footings and concrete pile caps are assumed to be adequately braced such that the supported foundation structures provide lateral stability for the pile systems. In accordance with IBC Section 1810.2.1, any soil other than fluid soil must be deemed to afford sufficient lateral support to prevent buckling of the systems that are braced, and the unbraced length is defined as the length of piles that is standing in air, water or in fluid soils plus an additional 5 feet (1524 mm) when embedded into firm soil or an additional 10 feet (3048 mm) when embedded into soft soil. Firm soil must be defined as any soil with a Standard Penetration Test blow count of five or greater. Soft soil must be defined as any soil with a Standard Penetration Test blow count greater than zero and less than five. Fluid soils must be defined as any soil with a Standard Penetration Test blow count of zero [weight of hammer (WOH) or weight of rods (WOR)]. Standard Penetration Test blow count must be determined in accordance with ASTM D1586. The shaft capacity of the helical foundation systems in air, water or fluid soils must be determined by a registered design professional using parameters in Tables 2A and 2B with due consideration of lateral support provided by the surrounding soil and/or structure.

The elastic shortening/lengthening of the pile shaft will be controlled by the strength and section properties of the shaft sections and coupler(s). For loads up to and include the allowable load limits found in this report, the elastic shortening/lengthening of a shaft can be estimated as:

$$\Delta_{\text{shaft}} = P L / (A E)$$

where:

$\Delta_{\text{shaft}}$  = Length change of shaft resulting from elastic shortening/lengthening, in (mm).

P = applied axial load, kip (kN).

L = effective length of the shaft, in. (mm).

A = cross-sectional area of the shaft, see Tables 2A and 2B, in.<sup>2</sup> (mm<sup>2</sup>).

E = Young's modulus of the shaft, see Table 2A and 2B, ksi (MPa).

The slip of the helical pile coupler is 0.161-inch/coupler (4.1 mm/coupler) for 2<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-inch (73 mm) diameter and 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-inch (89 mm) diameter bare steel shafts and 0.131-inch/coupler (3.3 mm/coupler) for 2<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-inch (73 mm) diameter and 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-inch-diameter (89 mm) galvanized steel shafts at rated allowable compression/tensile load per coupling.

**4.1.4 Helix Plate Capacity (P3):** The helix compression and tension load capacities (P3) are listed in Table 4. For helical piles with more than one helix, the helix capacity, P3, for the helical foundation system, may be taken as the sum of the least capacity of each individual helix.

**4.1.5 Soil Capacity (P4):** The design axial compressive and tensile load capacities of helical piles based on soil resistance (P4) must be determined by a registered design professional in accordance with a site-specific geotechnical report, as described in Section 4.1.1, combined with the individual helix bearing method (Method 1), or from field loading tests conducted under the supervision of a registered design professional (Method 2). For either Method 1 or Method 2, the predicted axial load capacities must be confirmed during the site-specific production installation, such that the axial load capacities predicted by the torque correlation method must be equal to or greater than that predicted by Method 1 or 2, described above.

The individual bearing method is determined as the sum of the individual areas of the helical bearing plates times the ultimate bearing capacity of the soil or rock comprising the bearing stratum.

The design allowable axial load must be determined by dividing the total ultimate axial load capacity predicted by either Method 1 or 2, above, divided by a safety factor of at least 2.

The torque correlation method must be used to predict the ultimate capacity ( $Q_{ult}$ ) of the pile and the minimum installation torque (Equation 1). A factor of safety of 2 must be applied to the ultimate capacity to determine the allowable soil capacity ( $Q_{all}$ ) of the pile (Equation 2).

$$Q_{ult} = K_t T \quad (\text{Equation 1})$$

$$Q_{all} = 0.5 Q_{ult} \quad (\text{Equation 2})$$

where:

$Q_{ult}$  = Ultimate axial compressive or tensile capacity (lbf or N) of helical pile, which must be limited to the maximum ultimate values noted in Table 5.

$Q_{all}$  = Allowable axial compressive or tensile capacity (lbf or N) of helical pile, which must be limited to the maximum ultimate values noted in Table 5.

$K_t$  = Torque correlation factors are described in Table 5.

T = Final installation torque in (ft-lbf or N-m). The final installation torque is defined as the average of the last three readings recorded at one-foot (305 mm) intervals taken during the pile installation, using, for example, the torque reading instruments connected to the installation equipment.

The allowable lateral soil capacity is 882 lbf (3.92 kN) for 2<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-inch (73 mm) diameter helical piles and 1,026 lbf (4.56 kN) for 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-inch (89 mm) diameter helical piles. It is based on field testing of the helical piles with 9- and 13-inch helical plates installed in a firm clay soil, having an average standard penetration test blow count of 20, at a minimum embedment of 15 feet (4.57 m). For soil conditions other than firm clay, the lateral capacity of the pile must be determined by a registered design professional.

**4.2 Installation:** The GoliathTech Helical Pile Systems must be installed by certified and trained installers approved by GoliathTech Incorporated. The GoliathTech Helical Pile Systems must be installed in accordance with this section (Section 4.2); 2015, 2012 and 2009 IBC Section 1810.4.11; the manufacturer's published installation instructions; and approved site-specific construction documents. In case of a conflict, the most stringent requirement governs.

**4.3 Helical Pile Installation:** The helical piles must be installed and located in accordance with the approved

plans and specifications. The helical piles are typically installed rotary type, hydraulic power driven motor with clockwise and counter-clockwise rotation capabilities, as recommended by GoliathTech, Inc. In conjunction with rotating the pile, the equipment shall be capable of applying down pressure (crowd) to suit project soil conditions and load requirements. The helical pile sections shall be engaged and advanced into the soil in a smooth, continuous manner at a rate of rotation of 5 to 20 revolutions per minute. The installation torque must not exceed the maximum installation torque rating, as described in Table 5. The installation torque is the average of the last three readings recorded at one-foot (305 mm) intervals. Helical piles must be installed vertically into the ground with a maximum allowable angle of inclination of  $\pm 1$  degree from vertical. The helical piles must be rotated clockwise in a continuous manner with the lead shaft section advancing at the helix pitch. Extensions are selected based on the approved plans as specified per the site conditions by a registered design professional. The extensions and the lead shaft section must be connected by the use of the designed number of coupling bolts and nuts as described in Section 3.2.3. Coupling bolts must be snug-tightened as defined in Section J3 of AISC 360. The final installation torque must equal or exceed that specified by the torque correlation method. The helical piles must be installed to the minimum depth described in the approved plans, but with the helical plate not less than 5 feet (1.53 m) below the bottom of the supported concrete foundation. For tension application, when designing to the full geotechnical capacity, the helical pile must be installed such that the minimum depth from the ground surface to the uppermost helix is 12D, where D is the diameter of the largest helix.

#### 4.4 Foundation Attachments:

**4.4.1 Underpinning Bracket:** The underpinning bracket must be installed as specified in the approved plans. The underpinning bracket is installed by excavating the bottom of the footing or foundation and large enough to provide access for bracket installation. The face and underside of the footing for the bracket bearing plate should be flat. Existing concrete footing capacity must not be altered, such as with notching of concrete or cutting of reinforcing steel, without the approval of the registered design professional and the code official. The underpinning bracket is installed over the pile shaft, away from the concrete footing. The bracket is rotated into place under the footing and raised into position. The footing face and underside should be fully bearing on the bracket plate. Place non-shrink grout in any small voids between bracket seat and concrete footing. The pile shaft is cut off squarely at least 5 inches (127 mm) up from bottom of footing. This may change depending on the amount of lift. All field-cut or drilled pilings may be protected from corrosion as recommended by the registered design professional and approved by the code official. The lifting plate with lifting jacks is installed over the pile shaft, and threaded rods, nuts and washers are added to hold the bracket in position. The installation fixture is attached to raise the foundation to the desired elevation. Any lifting of the existing structure must be verified by a registered design professional and is subject to approval of the code official to ensure that the foundation, superstructure, and helical piles are not overstressed. Once the foundation has been raised to its desired elevation and the hex nuts over the lifting plate are tightened, then the installation fixture and lifting jacks are removed. The threaded-rod nuts must be snug-tightened as defined in Section J3 of AISC 360. The excavation must be backfilled in accordance with 2015, 2012 and 2009 IBC Section 1804 (2006 IBC Section 1803).

**4.4.2 New Construction Bracket:** New construction brackets must be placed over the top of the helical pile shaft. The top of pile elevation must be established and must be consistent with the specified elevation. If necessary, the top of the pile may be cut off level to the required length in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and AISC 360 requirements so as to ensure full, direct contact (bearing) between the top of the pile shaft and the bracket. All field-cut or drilled pilings may be protected from corrosion as recommended by the registered design professional and approved by the code official. For new construction brackets GTBRST278 (and GTBRST278N) and GTBRST312 (and GTBRST312N), two and three, respectively,  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch-diameter (12.7 mm) bolts and matching nuts as described in Section 3.3.5 of this report must be installed for helical piles in tension. The bolts must be snug-tightened as defined in Section J3 of AISC 360. The embedment and edge distance of the bracket into the concrete foundation must be as described in the approved plans and as indicated in Tables 1A and 1B of this report. The concrete foundation must be cast around the bracket in accordance with the approved construction documents.

#### 4.5 Special Inspections:

Special inspections in accordance with Section 1705.9 of the 2015 and 2012 IBC (Section 1704.10 of the 2009 IBC) must be performed continuously during installation of the GoliathTech helical pile system (piles and brackets). Items to be recorded and confirmed by the special inspector must include, but are not necessarily limited to, the following:

1. Verification of the product manufacturer and the manufacturer's certification of installers.
2. Verification of product types and configurations for lead sections, extension sections, underpinning and new construction bracket assemblies, bolts/threaded rods, and nuts and washers as specified in the construction documents and this evaluation report.
3. Installation procedures for helical pile shaft, installation equipment used, and the GoliathTech Inc. installation instructions.
4. Anticipated and actual piling depth.
5. Required target installation torque of piles and depth of the helical foundation system.
6. Inclination and position of helical piles; top of pile extension in full contact with bracket; tightness of all bolts; and evidence that the helical pile foundation systems are installed by an approved GoliathTech Inc. installer.
7. Other pertinent installation data as required by the registered professional in responsible charge and compliance of installation with the approved geotechnical report, construction documents, and this evaluation report.
8. Where on-site welding is required, special inspection in accordance with Section 1705.2 of the 2015 and 2012 IBC (Section 1704.3 of the 2009 IBC) must be conducted.

#### 5.0 CONDITIONS OF USE

The GoliathTech Helical Pile Systems described in this report comply with, or are suitable alternatives to what is specified in, the codes indicated in Section 1.0 of this report, subject to the following conditions:

- 5.1 The GoliathTech helical pile systems are manufactured, identified and installed in accordance

with this report, the approved construction documents (engineering drawings and specifications), and the manufacturer's written installation instructions, which must be available at the jobsite at all times during installation. In case of a conflict, the most stringent requirement governs.

- 5.2 The GoliathTech helical pile systems have been evaluated for support of structures assigned to Seismic Design Categories A, B and C in accordance with IBC Section 1613. Helical foundation systems that support structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F, or that are located in Site Class E or F, are outside the scope of this report, and are subject to the approval of the building official based upon submission of a design in accordance with the code by a registered design professional.
- 5.3 Installations of the helical foundation systems are limited to regions of normal-weight concrete members where analysis indicates no cracking will occur at service load levels.
- 5.4 All brackets (underpinning and new construction) must be used only to support structures that are laterally braced as defined in IBC Section 1810.2.2. Shaft couplings must be located within firm or soft soil as defined in Section 4.1.3.
- 5.5 Use of the helical foundation systems in exposure conditions to soil that are indicative of potential pile corrosion situation as defined by the following: (1) soil resistivity less than 1,000 ohm-cm; (2) soil pH less than 5.5; (3) soils with high organic content; (4) soil sulfate concentrations greater than 1,000 ppm; (5) soils located in a landfill, or (6) soil containing mine waste; is beyond the scope of this evaluation report.
- 5.6 Zinc-coated steel and bare steel components must not be combined in the same system, except where the sacrificial thickness for the zinc-coated components is taken as that for bare steel components (0.036-inch or 915  $\mu\text{m}$ ). All helical foundation components must be galvanically isolated from concrete reinforcing steel, building structural steel, or any other metal building components.
- 5.7 The helical piles must be installed vertically into the ground with a maximum allowable angle of inclination of 1 degree from vertical. To comply with the requirements found in 2015, 2012 and 2009 IBC Section 1810.3.1.3 (2006 IBC Section 1808.2.8.8), the superstructure must be designed to resist the effects of helical pile eccentricity.
- 5.8 Special inspection is provided in accordance with Section 4.5 of this report.
- 5.9 Engineering calculations and drawings, in accordance with recognized engineering principles as described in IBC Section 1604.4, and complying with Section 4.1 of this report, are prepared by a registered design professional and approved by the code official.
- 5.10 The adequacy of the concrete structures that are connected to the brackets must be verified by a registered design professional, in accordance with

applicable code provisions, and is subject to the approval of the code official.

- 5.11 A geotechnical investigation report for each project site must be provided to the code official for approval in accordance with Section 4.1.1 of this report.
- 5.12 When using the alternative basic load combinations prescribed in IBC Section 1605.3.2, the allowable stress increases permitted by material chapters of the IBC or the referenced standards are prohibited.
- 5.13 In order to avoid group efficiency effects, an analysis prepared by a registered design professional must be submitted where the center-to-center spacing of axially loaded helical piles is less than three times the diameter of the largest helix plate at the depth of bearing. An analysis prepared by a registered design professional must also be submitted where the center-to-center spacing of laterally loaded helical piles is less than eight times the least horizontal dimension of the pile shaft at the ground surface. For laterally loaded piles, spacing between helical plates must not be less than  $3D$ , where  $D$  is the diameter of the largest helical plate measured from the edge of the helical plate to the edge of the helical plate of the adjacent helical pile; or  $4D$ , where the spacing is measured from the center-to-center of the adjacent helical pile plates.
- 5.14 Settlement of helical piles is beyond the scope of this evaluation report and must be determined by a registered design professional as required in IBC Section 1810.2.3.
- 5.15 The applied loads must not exceed the capacities described in Section 4.1 of this report.
- 5.16 Evaluation of compliance with IBC Section 1810.3.11.1 for buildings assigned to Seismic Design Category (SDC) C, and with IBC Section 1810.3.6 for all buildings, is outside of the scope of this evaluation report. Such compliance must be addressed by a registered design professional for each site, and the work of the design professional is subject to approval by the code official.
- 5.17 The GoliathTech helical pile systems are manufactured by GoliathTech, Inc., located in Quebec, Canada; under a quality control program with inspections by ICC-ES.

## 6.0 EVIDENCE SUBMITTED

Data in accordance with the ICC-ES Acceptance Criteria for Helical Pile Systems and Devices (AC358), dated October 2016 (editorially revised June 2017).

## 7.0 IDENTIFICATION

The GoliathTech Helical Pile System components described in this report are identified by labels that include the report holder's name (GoliathTech, Inc.) and address, the product model number and description, the ICC-ES evaluation report number (ESR-3726).



TABLE 1A—BRACKET CAPACITY (P1) FOR BRACKETS USED WITH 2<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-INCH SHAFTS<sup>5</sup>

PRODUCT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	SHAFT DIAMETER (inches)	DESIGN CAPACITY (kips)					
			Compression		Tension		Lateral	
			ASD <sup>8</sup>	LRFD <sup>8</sup>	ASD <sup>8</sup>	LRFD <sup>8</sup>	ASD <sup>8</sup>	LRFD <sup>8</sup>
GTUP278	Underpinning Bracket Galvanized <sup>7b</sup>	2 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	13.37 <sup>1</sup>	20.00 <sup>1</sup>	N/A		N/A	
GTUP278N	Underpinning Bracket Bare Steel <sup>7a</sup>	2 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	13.37 <sup>1</sup>	20.00 <sup>1</sup>	N/A		N/A	
GTBRST278	New Construction Bracket Galvanized <sup>7b</sup>	2 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	22.10 <sup>2b</sup>	33.11 <sup>2c</sup>	22.10 <sup>3b,6</sup>	33.11 <sup>3c,6</sup>	1.27 <sup>4</sup>	1.81 <sup>4</sup>
GTBRST278N	New Construction Bracket Bare Steel <sup>7a</sup>	2 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	16.91 <sup>2a</sup>	25.35 <sup>2d</sup>	16.91 <sup>3a,6</sup>	25.35 <sup>3d,6</sup>	1.27 <sup>4</sup>	1.81 <sup>4</sup>

For **SI**: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 kip (1000 lbf) = 4.48 kN. N/A= not applicable

<sup>1</sup>Load capacity is based on full scale load tests per AC358 with an installed 5'-0" unbraced pile length having a maximum of one coupling per 2015, 2012 and 2009 IBC Section 1810.2.1 and 2006 IBC 1808.2.9.2. Underpinning brackets must be concentrically loaded and the bracket plate must be fully engaged with bottom of concrete foundation. Only localized limit states such as mechanical strength of steel components and concrete bearing have been evaluated. Minimum specified compressive strength of concrete is 2,500 psi (17.24 MPa).

<sup>2a</sup>The ASD compressive load capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, concrete punching shear capacity, and concrete bearing strength. The allowable load capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 6.19 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the top of the bracket plate to the top of the concrete footing. End of helical pile shaft must be fully bearing on bracket plate. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 17.4 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>2b</sup>The ASD capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, concrete punching shear capacity, and concrete bearing strength. The allowable load capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 7.33 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the top of the bracket plate to the top of the concrete footing. End of helical pile shaft must be fully bearing on bracket plate. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 19.7 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>2c</sup>The LRFD capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, concrete punching shear capacity, and concrete bearing strength. The LRFD capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 7.55 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the top of the bracket plate to the top of the concrete footing. End of helical pile shaft must be fully bearing on bracket plate. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 20.1 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>2d</sup>The LRFD capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, concrete punching shear capacity, and concrete bearing strength. The LRFD capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 6.39 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the top of the bracket plate to the top of the concrete footing. End of helical pile shaft must be fully bearing on bracket plate. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 17.8 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>3a</sup>The allowable tensile load capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, punching shear capacity and bearing to concrete footing. The allowable load capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 8.19 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the bottom of the bracket plate to the bottom of the concrete footing. The capacity is based using two ½ -inch through bolts as described in Section 3.2.4.2 of this report. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 21.4 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>3b</sup>The ASD capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, punching shear capacity and bearing to concrete footing. The allowable load capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 9.33 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the bottom of the bracket plate to the bottom of the concrete footing. The capacity is based using two ½ -inch through bolts as described in Section 3.2.4.2 of this report. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 23.7 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>3c</sup>The LRFD capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, punching shear capacity and bearing to concrete footing. The LRFD capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 9.55 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the bottom of the bracket plate to the bottom of the concrete footing. The capacity is based using two ½ -inch through bolts as described in Section 3.2.4.2 of this report. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 24.1 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>3d</sup>The LRFD capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, punching shear capacity and bearing to concrete footing. The LRFD capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 8.39 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the bottom of the bracket plate to the bottom of the concrete footing. The capacity is based using two ½ -inch through bolts as described in Section 3.2.4.2 of this report. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 21.8 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>4</sup>The ASD and LRFD lateral capacity is based on limit states associated with mechanical steel strength, concrete breakout in accordance with ACI 318, and bracket bearing on unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The bracket must be installed with a minimum embedment depth of 3 inches measured from the bottom of the bracket plate to the bottom of the concrete footing, and a minimum edge distance of 4 inches measured from the bracket plate edge to the concrete footing edge. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 14.54 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>5</sup>The capacities listed in Table 1A assume the pile foundation system is sidesway braced per 2015, 2012 and 2009 IBC Section 1810.2.2 and 2006 IBC Section 1808.2.5.

<sup>6</sup>The bolt threads are excluded from the connection shear plane.

<sup>7a</sup>Capacities are based on bare steel losing 0.036-inch (318 µm) steel thickness as indicated in Section 3.9 of AC358 for a 50-year service life.

<sup>7b</sup>Capacities are based on galvanized steel losing 0.013-inch (330 µm) steel thickness as indicated in Section 3.9 of AC358 for a 50-year service life.

<sup>8</sup>When load capacity is based on testing, a safety factor of 2.0 has been applied to the ultimate load for ASD capacity or a resistance factor 0.75 is applied to the ultimate load for LRFD capacity. When load capacity is based on analysis, the ASD and LRFD capacity comply with design standards and AC358.



TABLE 1B—BRACKET CAPACITY (P1) FOR BRACKETS USED WITH 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-INCH SHAFTS<sup>5</sup>

PRODUCT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	SHAFT DIAMETER (inches)	DESIGN CAPACITY (kips)					
			Compression		Tension		Lateral	
			ASD <sup>8</sup>	LRFD <sup>8</sup>	ASD <sup>8</sup>	LRFD <sup>8</sup>	ASD <sup>8</sup>	LRFD <sup>8</sup>
GTUP312	Underpinning Bracket Galvanized <sup>7b</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	16.49 <sup>1</sup>	24.74 <sup>1</sup>	N/A		N/A	
GTUP312N	Underpinning Bracket Bare Steel <sup>7a</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	16.49 <sup>1</sup>	24.74 <sup>1</sup>	N/A		N/A	
GTBRST312	New Construction Bracket Galvanized <sup>7b</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	37.99 <sup>2b</sup>	56.92 <sup>2c</sup>	37.75 <sup>3b,6</sup>	56.63 <sup>3c,6</sup>	1.40 <sup>4</sup>	2.00 <sup>4</sup>
GTBRST312N	New Construction Bracket Bare Steel <sup>7a</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	31.92 <sup>2a</sup>	47.83 <sup>2d</sup>	31.32 <sup>3a,6</sup>	46.98 <sup>3d,6</sup>	1.40 <sup>4</sup>	2.00 <sup>4</sup>

For **SI**: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 kip (1000 lbf) = 4.48 kN. N/A=not applicable.

<sup>1</sup>Load capacity is based on full scale load tests per AC358 with an installed 5'-0" unbraced pile length having a maximum of one coupling per 2015, 2012 and 2009 IBC Section 1810.2.1 and 2006 IBC 1808.2.9.2. Underpinning brackets must be concentrically loaded and the bracket plate must be fully engaged with bottom of concrete foundation. Only localized limit states such as mechanical strength of steel components and concrete bearing have been evaluated. Minimum specified compressive strength of concrete is 2,500 psi (17.24 MPa).

<sup>2a</sup>The ASD compressive load capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, concrete punching shear capacity, and concrete bearing strength. The allowable load capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 8.64 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the top of the bracket plate to the top of the concrete footing. End of helical pile shaft must be fully bearing on bracket plate. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 23.8 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>2b</sup>The ASD compressive load capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, concrete punching shear capacity, and concrete bearing strength. The ASD load capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 9.63 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the top of the bracket plate to the top of the concrete footing. End of helical pile shaft must be fully bearing on bracket plate. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 25.8 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>2c</sup>The LRFD capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, concrete punching shear capacity, and concrete bearing strength. The LRFD capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 9.92 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the top of the bracket plate to the top of the concrete footing. End of helical pile shaft must be fully bearing on bracket plate. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 26.3 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>2d</sup>The LRFD capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, concrete punching shear capacity, and concrete bearing strength. The LRFD capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 8.90 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the top of the bracket plate to the top of the concrete footing. End of helical pile shaft must be fully bearing on bracket plate. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 24.3 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>3a</sup>The ASD tensile load capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, punching shear capacity and bearing to concrete footing. The allowable load capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 10.53 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the bottom of the bracket plate to the bottom of the concrete footing. The capacity is based using two 1/2 -inch through bolts as described in Section 3.2.4.2 of this report. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 27.6 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>3b</sup>The ASD tensile load capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, punching shear capacity and bearing to concrete footing. The ASD load capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 11.59 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the bottom of the bracket plate to the bottom of the concrete footing. The capacity is based using two 1/2 -inch through bolts as described in Section 3.2.4.2 of this report. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 29.7 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>3c</sup>The LRFD capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, punching shear capacity and bearing to concrete footing. The LRFD capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 11.89 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the bottom of the bracket plate to the bottom of the concrete footing. The capacity is based using two 1/2 -inch through bolts as described in Section 3.2.4.2 of this report. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 30.3 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>3d</sup>The LRFD capacity is based on the mechanical strength of the steel bracket, punching shear capacity and bearing to concrete footing. The LRFD capacities have been determined assuming unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The minimum embedment of the bracket is 10.80 inches. The embedment depth is the distance between the bottom of the bracket plate to the bottom of the concrete footing. The capacity is based using two 1/2 -inch through bolts as described in Section 3.2.4.2 of this report. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 28.1 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>4</sup>The ASD and LRFD lateral capacity is based on limit states associated with mechanical steel strength, concrete breakout in accordance with ACI 318, and bracket bearing on unreinforced concrete in accordance with ACI 318. The bracket must be installed with a minimum embedment depth of 3 inches measured from the bottom of the bracket plate to the bottom of the concrete footing, and a minimum edge distance of 4 inches measured from the bracket plate edge to the concrete footing edge. The concrete footing must have a minimum width of 14.5 inches, and must be normal-weight concrete having a minimum compressive strength of 3,000 psi.

<sup>5</sup>The capacities listed in Table 1A assume the pile foundation system is sidesway braced per 2015, 2012 and 2009 IBC Section 1810.2.2 and 2006 IBC Section 1808.2.5.

<sup>6</sup>The bolt threads are excluded from the connection shear plane.

<sup>7a</sup>Capacities are based on bare steel losing 0.036-inch (318 μm) steel thickness as indicated in Section 3.9 of AC358 for a 50-year service life.

<sup>7b</sup>Capacities are based on galvanized steel losing 0.013-inch (330 μm) steel thickness as indicated in Section 3.9 of AC358 for a 50-year service life.

<sup>8</sup>When load capacity is based on testing, a safety factor of 2.0 has been applied to the ultimate load for ASD capacity or a resistance factor 0.75 is applied to the ultimate load for LRFD capacity. When load capacity is based on analysis, the ASD and LRFD capacity comply with design standards and AC358.

TABLE 2A—MECHANICAL PROPERTIES AFTER CORROSION LOSS OF 2<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-INCH DIAMETER HELICAL SHAFT

Mechanical Properties	STEEL CONDITION	
	BARE STEEL <sup>1</sup>	GALVANIZED STEEL <sup>2</sup>
Steel Yield Strength, F <sub>y</sub> (ksi)	60	60
Steel Ultimate Strength, F <sub>u</sub> (ksi)	70	70
Modulus of Elasticity, E (ksi)	29,000	29,000
Nominal Wall Thickness (inch)	0.25	0.25
Design Wall Thickness (inch)	0.197	0.226
Outside Diameter (inch)	2.839	2.869
Inside Diameter (inch)	2.446	2.416
Cross Sectional Area (inch <sup>2</sup> )	1.63	1.88
Moment of Inertia, I (inch <sup>4</sup> )	1.43	1.65
Radius of Gyration, r (inch)	0.94	0.94
Section Modulus, S (inch <sup>3</sup> )	1.01	1.15
Plastic Section Modulus, Z (inch <sup>3</sup> )	1.37	1.58

For **SI**: 1 inch = 25.4 mm; 1 ksi = 6.89 MPa, 1 ft-lbf = 1.36 N-m; 1 lbf = 4.45 N.

<sup>1</sup>Dimensional properties are based on bare steel losing 0.036-inch steel thickness as indicated in Section 3.9 of AC358 for a 50-year service life.

<sup>2</sup>Dimensional properties are based on galvanized steel losing 0.013-inch steel thickness as indicated in Section 3.9 of AC358 for a 50-year service life.

TABLE 2B—MECHANICAL PROPERTIES AFTER CORROSION LOSS OF 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-INCH DIAMETER HELICAL SHAFT

Mechanical Properties	STEEL CONDITION	
	BARE STEEL <sup>1</sup>	GALVANIZED STEEL <sup>2</sup>
Steel Yield Strength, F <sub>y</sub> (ksi)	60	60
Steel Ultimate Strength, F <sub>u</sub> (ksi)	70	70
Modulus of Elasticity, E (ksi)	29,000	29,000
Nominal Wall Thickness (inch)	0.25	0.25
Design Wall Thickness (inch)	0.197	0.226
Outside Diameter (inch)	3.464	3.494
Inside Diameter (inch)	3.071	3.041
Cross Sectional Area (inch <sup>2</sup> )	2.02	2.32
Moment of Inertia, I (inch <sup>4</sup> )	2.70	3.12
Radius of Gyration, r (inch)	1.16	1.16
Section Modulus, S (inch <sup>3</sup> )	1.56	1.78
Plastic Section Modulus, Z (inch <sup>3</sup> )	2.10	2.42

For **SI**: 1 inch = 25.4 mm; 1 ksi = 6.89 MPa, 1 ft-lbf = 1.36 N-m; 1 lbf = 4.45 N.

<sup>1</sup>Dimensional properties are based on bare steel losing 0.036-inch steel thickness as indicated in Section 3.9 of AC358 for a 50-year service life.

<sup>2</sup>Dimensional properties are based on galvanized steel losing 0.013-inch steel thickness as indicated in Section 3.9 of AC358 for a 50-year service life.

**TABLE 3A—SHAFT CAPACITY (P2) FOR 2<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-INCH-DIAMETER PILE WITH COUPLER ECCENTRICITY<sup>3,4</sup> (kips)**

STEEL TYPE	UNBRACED SHAFT LENGTH, L <sub>u</sub> (FT) <sup>1</sup>	(P2) CAPACITY (KIPS) FOR 2 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub> -INCH DIAMETER SHAFTS <sup>7</sup>											
		COMPRESSION (KIPS)						TENSION (KIPS)		LATERAL SHEAR (KIPS)		BENDING MOMENT (KIPS-FT)	
		0 Coupler		1 Coupler <sup>2</sup>		2 Couplers <sup>2</sup>		ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD
		ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD						
BARE <sup>5</sup>	0	58.6	85.7	58.6	85.7	58.6	85.7	19.7	29.5	14.8	22.2	4.12	6.19
	5	24.8	37.3	13.4	20.1	7.3	10.9						
	10	12.4	18.7	8.7	13.1	5.6	8.5						
GALVANIZED <sup>6</sup>	0	60.0	85.7	60.0	85.7	60.0	85.7	24.1	36.2	17.1	25.6	4.74	7.13
	5	28.6	42.9	15.4	23.1	8.4	12.6						
	10	14.3	21.5	10.0	15.1	6.5	9.7						

For **SI**: 1 inch = 25.4 mm; 1 ft = 0.305 m; 1 kip (1000 lbf) = 4.48 kN.

<sup>1</sup>L<sub>u</sub>=Total unbraced pile length per 2015, 2012 and 2009 IBC Section 1810.2.1 and 2006 IBC Section 1808.2.9.2, including the length in air, water or in fluid soils, and the embedment length into firm or soft soil (non-fluid soil). k = Effective length factor. kL<sub>u</sub> = total effective unbraced length of the pile, where kL<sub>u</sub> = 0 represent a fully braced condition in that the total pile length is fully embedded in firm or soft soil and the supported structure is braced in accordance 2015, 2012 and 2009 IBC Section 1810.2.2 (Section 1808.2.5 of the 2006 IBC).

<sup>2</sup>Number of couplings within L<sub>u</sub>

<sup>3</sup>The capacities shown in Table 3A are for 2<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-inch-diameter pilings installed with a maximum 1 degree of inclination and the assumption that the pile shaft is concentrically loaded.

<sup>4</sup>Capacities based on two ½-inch bolts with matching nuts installed complying with Section 3.3.3. The bolt threads are excluded from the connection shear plane.

<sup>5</sup>Capacities are based on bare steel losing 0.036-inch (318 μm) steel thickness as indicated in Section 3.9 of AC358 for a 50-year service life.

<sup>6</sup>Capacities are based on galvanized steel losing 0.013-inch (330 μm) steel thickness as indicated in Section 3.9 of AC358 for a 50-year service life.

<sup>7</sup>ASD and LRFD capacities are based on AISC 360.

**TABLE 3B—SHAFT CAPACITY (P2) FOR 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-INCH-DIAMETER PILE WITH COUPLER ECCENTRICITY<sup>3,4</sup> (kips)**

STEEL TYPE	UNBRACED SHAFT LENGTH, L <sub>u</sub> (FT) <sup>1</sup>	(P2) CAPACITY (KIPS) FOR 2 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub> -INCH DIAMETER SHAFTS <sup>7</sup>											
		COMPRESSION (KIPS)						TENSION (KIPS)		LATERAL SHEAR (KIPS)		BENDING MOMENT (KIPS-FT)	
		0 Coupler		1 Coupler <sup>2</sup>		2 Couplers <sup>2</sup>		ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD
		ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD						
BARE <sup>5</sup>	0	60	85.7	60	85.7	60	85.7	20.9	31.3	15.9	23.8	6.02	9.05
	5	34.6	51.9	22.4	33.7	13.9	22.5						
	10	19.6	29.5	15	22.5	10.6	16						
GALVANIZED <sup>6</sup>	0	60	85.7	60	85.7	60	85.7	27	40.5	19.3	28.9	7.25	10.89
	5	40.6	61	26.5	39.9	16.6	24.9						
	10	23.1	34.7	17.7	26.7	12.7	19						

For **SI**: 1 inch = 25.4 mm; 1 ft = 0.305 m; 1 kip (1000 lbf) = 4.48 kN.

<sup>1</sup>L<sub>u</sub>=Total unbraced pile length per 2015, 2012 and 2009 IBC Section 1810.2.1 and 2006 IBC Section 1808.2.9.2, including the length in air, water or in fluid soils, and the embedment length into firm or soft soil (non-fluid soil). k = Effective length factor. kL<sub>u</sub> = total effective unbraced length of the pile, where kL<sub>u</sub> = 0 represent a fully braced condition in that the total pile length is fully embedded in firm or soft soil and the supported structure is braced in accordance 2015, 2012 and 2009 IBC Section 1810.2.2 (Section 1808.2.5 of the 2006 IBC).

<sup>2</sup>Number of couplings within L<sub>u</sub>

<sup>3</sup>The capacities shown in Table 3B are for 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-inch-diameter pilings installed with a maximum 1 degree of inclination and the assumption that the pile shaft is concentrically loaded.

<sup>4</sup>Capacities based on three ½-inch bolts with matching nuts installed complying with Section 3.3.3. The bolt threads are excluded from the connection shear plane.

<sup>5</sup>Capacities are based on bare steel losing 0.036-inch (318 μm) steel thickness as indicated in Section 3.9 of AC358 for a 50-year service life.

<sup>6</sup>Capacities are based on galvanized steel losing 0.013-inch (330 μm) steel thickness as indicated in Section 3.9 of AC358 for a 50-year service life.

<sup>7</sup>ASD and LRFD capacities are based on AISC 360.

**TABLE 4—HELICAL BEARING PLATE CAPACITY (P3) FOR 2<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-INCH and 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-INCH HELICAL PILES<sup>1,2,3,4</sup>**

HELIX DIAM.  (IN)	HELICAL PILE			
	2 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub> -INCH		3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> -INCH	
	AXIAL TENSION AND COMPRESSION CAPACITY <sup>3</sup> (P3) (KIPS)			
	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD
9	62.72	94.06	48.77	73.13
11	60.37	90.53	66.68	99.98
13	53.46	80.16	66.93	100.37

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 kip = 4.448 kN.

<sup>1</sup>For helical piles with more than one helix, the allowable helix capacity, P3, for the helical foundation systems, may be taken as the sum of the least allowable capacity of each individual helix.

<sup>2</sup>As described in Section 3.2.2 of this report, all helical bearing plates are made from same material, and have the same edge geometry, thickness and pitch.

<sup>3</sup>Capacities are based on bare steel losing 0.036-inch (318 µm) steel thickness as indicated in Section 3.9 of AC358 for a 50-year service life.

<sup>4</sup>Capacity is based on testing with a safety factor of 2.0 been applied to the ultimate load for ASD capacity or a resistance factor 0.75 is applied to the ultimate load for LRFD capacity.

**TABLE 5—SOIL CAPACITY (P4) – AXIAL TENSION AND COMPRESSION FOR 2<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-INCH AND 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-INCH HELICAL PILES<sup>1</sup>**

GEOTECHNICAL RELATED PROPERTIES	2 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub> -INCH HELICAL PILE		3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> -INCH HELICAL PILE	
	Compression	Tension	Compression	Tension
Mechanical Torsion Rating (ft-lbs) <sup>3</sup>	7,800	7,800	12,570	12,570
Maximum Torque Per Soil Tests (ft-lbs) <sup>4</sup>	7,800	7,800	12,570	12,570
Maximum Installation Torque Rating (ft-lbs) <sup>5</sup>	7,800	7,800	12,570	12,570
Torque Correlation Factor, K <sub>t</sub> (ft <sup>-1</sup> )	9.0	9.0	7.0	7.0
Maximum Ultimate Soil Capacity / Maximum Allowable Soil Capacity (P4) from Torque Correlations (kips) <sup>2</sup>	70.2/35.1	57/28.5	88/44	69/34.5

For SI: 1 foot = 0.305 m, 1 lbf = 4.448 N, 1 lbf-ft = 1.356 N-m.

<sup>1</sup>Soil capacity (P4) must be determined per Section 4.1.5 of this report.

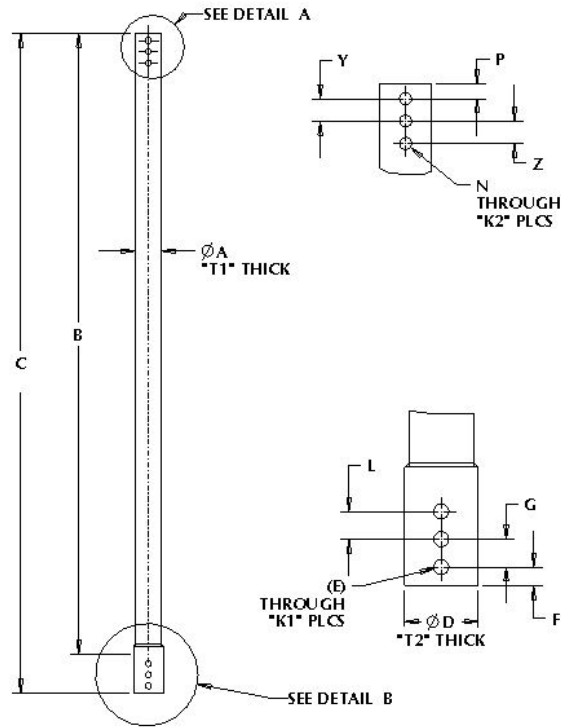
<sup>2</sup>Maximum ultimate soil capacity is determined from P<sub>ult</sub> = K<sub>t</sub> x T based on the corresponding maximum installation torque rating for the specific pile model. Allowable soil capacity is determined from P<sub>a</sub> = P<sub>ult</sub> / 2.0 based on the corresponding maximum installation torque rating for the specific pile model. See Section 4.1.5 for additional information.

<sup>3</sup>Mechanical torsion rating is the maximum torsional resistance of the steel shaft.

<sup>4</sup>Maximum Torque Per Soil Tests is the maximum torque achieved during field axial verification testing that was conducted to verify the pile axial capacity related to pile-soil interaction.

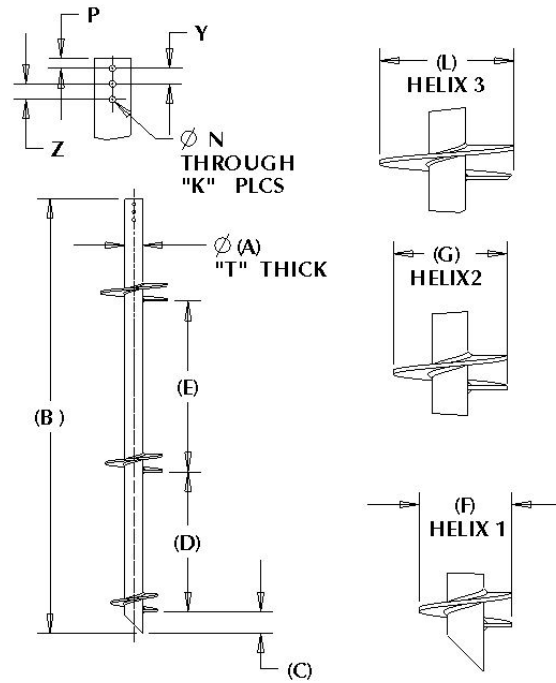
<sup>5</sup>Maximum Installation Torque rating is the lower of the “mechanical torsion rating” and the “maximum torque per soil tests”.





Extensions																
Product Number	A (in)	T1 (in)	B (in)	C (in)	D (in)	E (in)	T2 (in)	K1 (# of Hoes)	F (in)	G (in)	L (in)	N (in)	K2 (# of Holes)	P (in)	Y (in)	Z (in)
GTEXT2783	2.875	0.25	36	39.75	3.5	0.563	0.25	2	1	1.5	n/a	0.563	2	1	1.5	n/a
GTEXT2787	2.875	0.25	84	87.75	3.5	0.563	0.25	2	1	1.5	n/a	0.563	2	1	1.5	n/a
GTEXT3123	3.5	0.25	36	41.75	4.125	0.563	0.25	3	1	1.5	1.5	0.563	3	1	1.5	1.5
GTEXT3127	3.5	0.25	84	89.75	4.125	0.563	0.25	3	1	1.5	1.5	0.563	3	1	1.5	1.5

FIGURE 1A—EXTENSION SECTIONS



Lead Sections														
Product Number	A (in)	T (in)	B (in)	C (in)	D (in)	E (in)	F (in)	G (in)	L (in)	N (in)	K (# of Holes)	P (in)	Y (in)	Z (in)
GTPI27809	2.875	0.25	84	4.5	n/a	n/a	9	n/a	n/a	0.563	2	1	1.5	n/a
GTPI27811	2.875	0.25	84	4.5	n/a	n/a	11	n/a	n/a	0.563	2	1	1.5	n/a
GTPI27813	2.875	0.25	84	4.5	n/a	n/a	13	n/a	n/a	0.563	2	1	1.5	n/a
GTPI2780911	2.875	0.25	84	4.5	27	n/a	9	11	n/a	0.563	2	1	1.5	n/a
GTPI2781113	2.875	0.25	84	4.5	33	n/a	11	13	n/a	0.563	2	1	1.5	n/a
GTPI278091113	2.875	0.25	84	4.5	27	33	9	11	13	0.563	2	1	1.5	n/a
GTPI31209	3.5	0.25	84	4.5	n/a	n/a	9	n/a	n/a	0.563	3	1	1.5	1.5
GTPI31211	3.5	0.25	84	4.5	n/a	n/a	11	n/a	n/a	0.563	3	1	1.5	1.5
GTPI31213	3.5	0.25	84	4.5	n/a	n/a	13	n/a	n/a	0.563	3	1	1.5	1.5
GTPI3120911	3.5	0.25	84	4.5	27	n/a	9	11	n/a	0.563	3	1	1.5	1.5
GTPI3121113	3.5	0.25	84	4.5	33	n/a	11	13	n/a	0.563	3	1	1.5	1.5
GTPI312091113	3.5	0.25	84	4.5	27	33	9	11	13	0.563	3	1	1.5	1.5

FIGURE 1B—HELICAL PILE LEAD SECTIONS

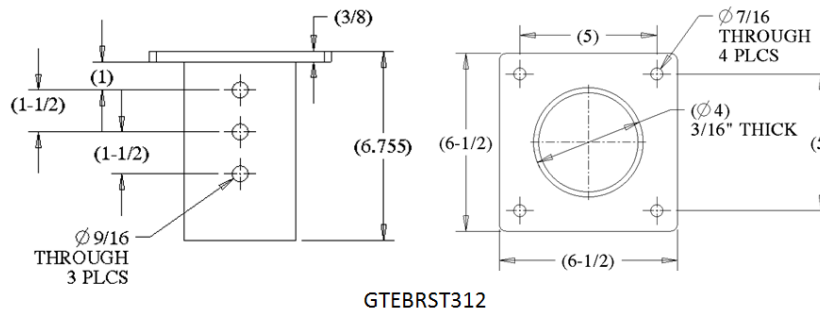
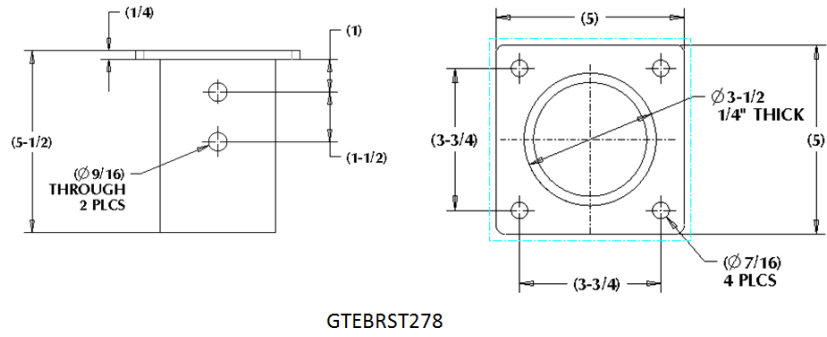


FIGURE 2—NEW CONSTRUCTION BRACKETS

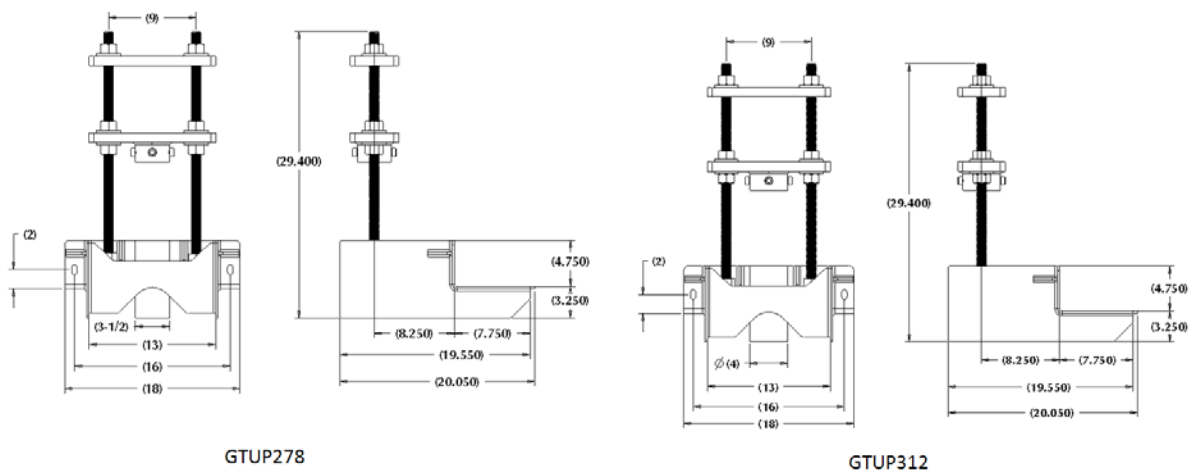


FIGURE 3—UNDERPINNING BRACKETS

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### EVALUATION SUBJECT:

### GOLIATHTECH HELICAL PILE SYSTEMS

#### 1.0 REPORT PURPOSE AND SCOPE

##### Purpose:

The purpose of this evaluation report supplement is to indicate that the GoliathTech Helical Pile Systems, recognized in ICC-ES master report ESR-3726, have also been evaluated for compliance with the code noted below.

##### Applicable code edition:

2017 *Florida Building Code—Building*

#### 2.0 CONCLUSIONS

The GoliathTech Helical Pile Systems, described in Sections 2.0 through 7.0 of the master evaluation report ESR-3726, comply with the 2017 *Florida Building Code—Building*, provided the design and installation are in accordance with the *International Building Code*® provisions noted in the master report and the following conditions apply:

- Design wind loads must be based on Section 1609 of the 2017 *Florida Building Code—Building*.
- Load combinations must be in accordance with Section 1605.2 or Section 1605.3 of the 2017 *Florida Building Code—Building*, as applicable.

Use of the GoliathTech Helical Pile Systems for compliance with the High-Velocity Hurricane Zone provisions of the 2017 *Florida Building Code—Building* has not been evaluated and is outside the scope of this evaluation report.

For products falling under Florida Rule 9N-3, verification that the report holder's quality assurance program is audited by a quality assurance entity approved by the Florida Building Commission for the type of inspections being conducted is the responsibility of an approved validation entity (or the code official when the report holder does not possess an approval by the Commission).

This supplement expires concurrently with the master report, issued October 2017.