

Lighting Efficiencies for Bridges Spanning Navigable Water

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 - Control/Monitoring
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About Sealite



- **Global manufacturer; 2 brands**
- **Established: 1982**
- **Locations: United States, Australia, Singapore, United Kingdom**
- **Strategic focus: In-sourced design & production**



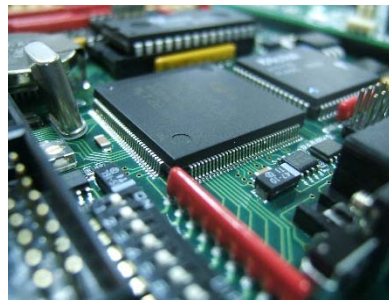
About Sealite



- Corporate Headquarters:
Australia
- Manufacturing facility:
50,000 s.f.+
- Representation:
110+ countries



- Central location: New Hampshire
- Fulfilment and manufacturing
- Geographic markets:
North, Central and South America

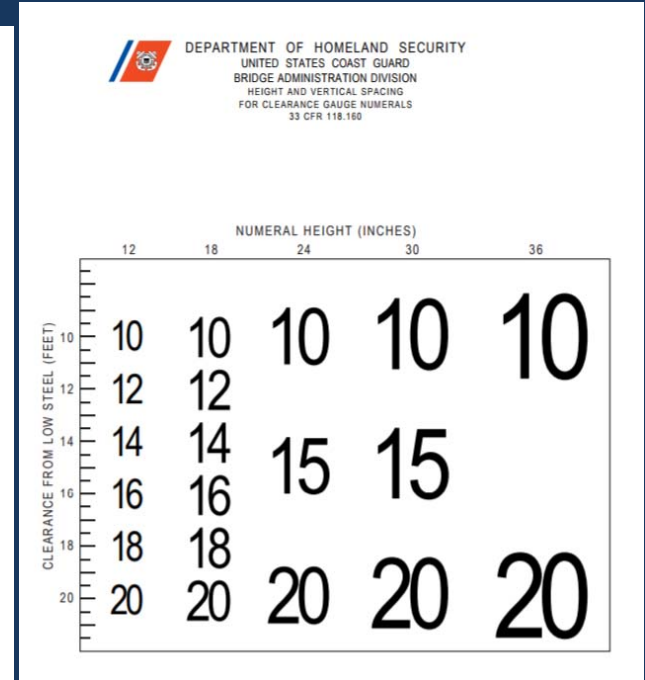
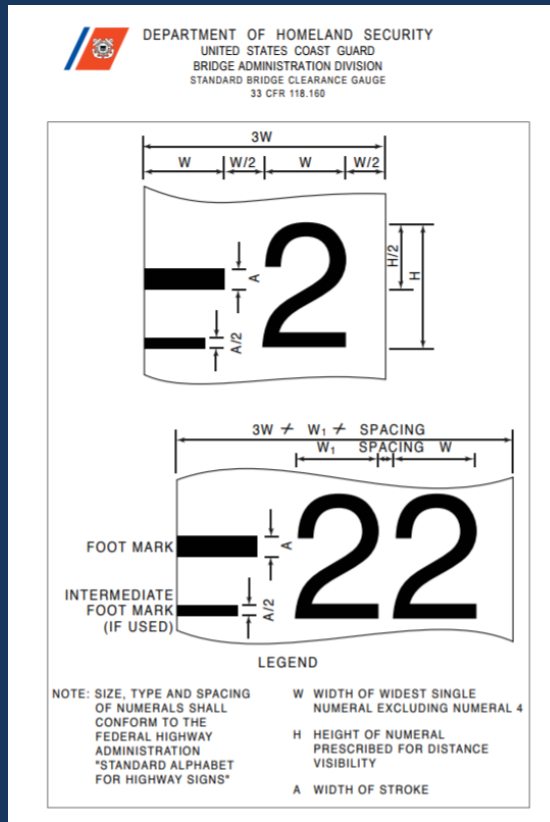


Marking Solutions/1



- Solar Solutions
- Main Powered Solutions
- Remote Monitoring
- Reliability/Redundancy
- Centralized or Individual Photo Cells
- Fault Indicator Lights
- Day Marks
- Bridge Gauges
- RACONS
- Fog Sensors
- Centralized Communication Enclosures
- Switches for Moveable Bridges

Marking Solutions/2



Approval Process/1

1. USCG: District Level
2. Submit Plan
3. Timeline



Approval Process/2

Responsibility: Project Engineer

Process: Submit Bridge Lighting Plan
Project Overview, Scope of Work

Application: New Bridge: Submit Bridge Lighting Plan
Full engineering drawings or not!

Light Replacement:
Must remain lit or Temp Light

Timeframe: 1 hour to a few weeks depending on complexity



Approval Process/3



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Applications: Case Studies



Millard E. Tydings Bridge



Installation Flexibility and Power Efficiencies

Application Details

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Region: Mid Atlantic

Date: 2016

Site: I-95 over Susquehanna River

Product: SL-BR, Power Supplies, Mounts*

Application: Fixed Bridge Over Navigable River

Lights: 8 red, 6 green, 6 white
Power Supplies: 2x40w, 6 x 10w
Mounts: 12 swing arm (gr/wh); 4 wall, 2 post

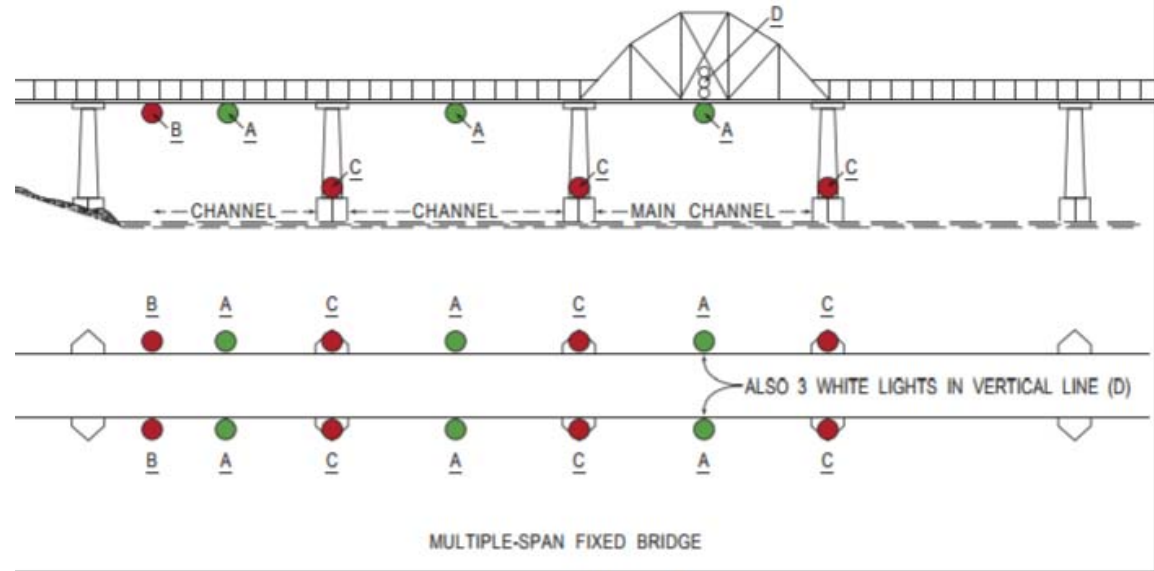
OPPORTUNITY/SOLUTION

- Navigation Lights 1-2nm
- 1 Preferred Nav Channel
- Multiple Nav Channels Available
- Long Bridge Span
- Eliminate installation challenges (cable & conduit between lights)

Millard E. Tydings Bridge



USCG Minimum Lighting Requirements for Fixed Bridges



LIGHT COLORS AND HORIZONTAL ARCS OF VISIBILITY



A CHANNEL CENTER—360° GREEN (180° GREEN ON BRIDGES LIGHTED PRIOR TO JAN 1, 1947, UNTIL LIGHTS ARE REPAIRED OR REPLACED).



B CHANNEL MARGIN—180° RED



C PIER—180° RED



D MAIN CHANNEL—180° WHITE, 3 LIGHTS IN VERTICAL LINE (60°—180° ON BRIDGES LIGHTED PRIOR TO JAN. 1, 1953, UNTIL LIGHTS ARE REPAIRED OR REPLACED).

Solar Calculations/1



Solar Calculator

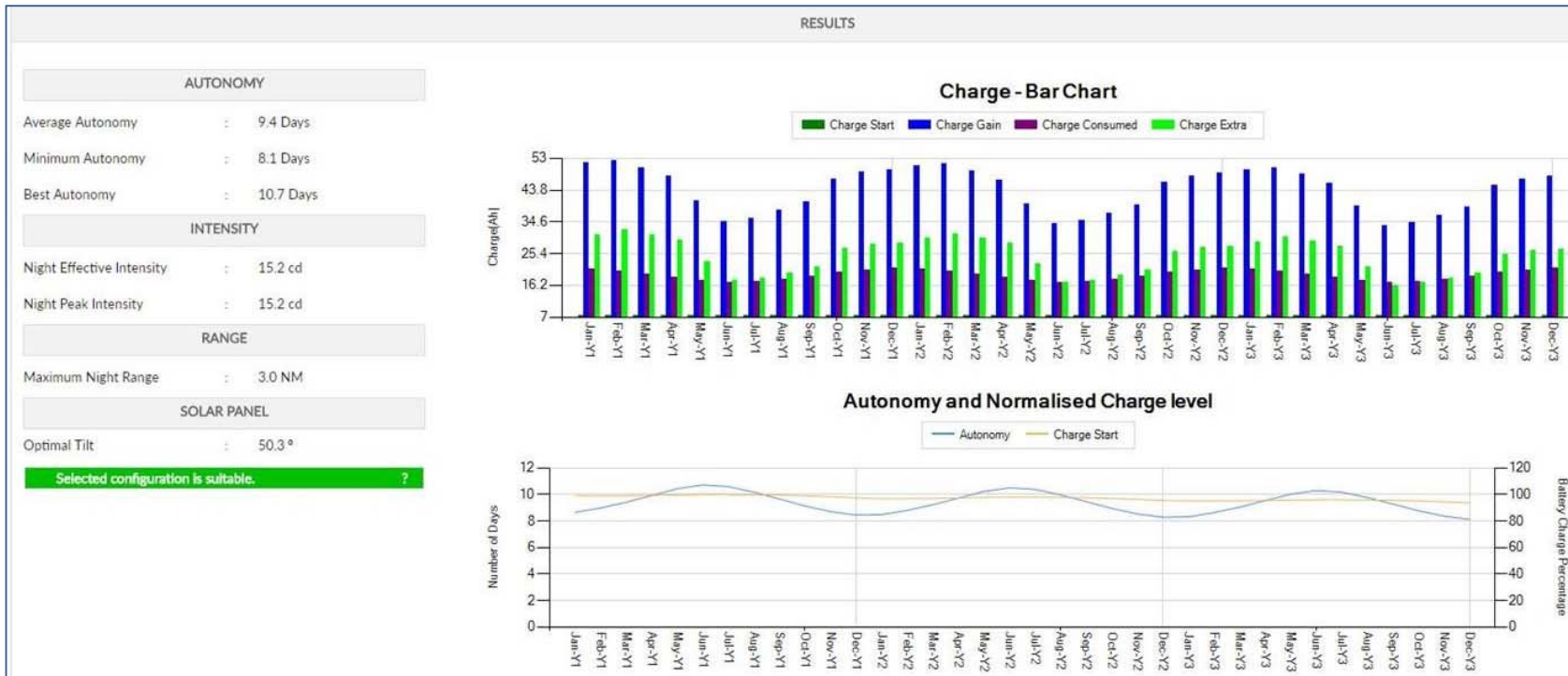
- Web application
- User configurable
- Calculates Autonomy
 - minimum autonomy for location
 - battery capacity
- Results/Performance
 - viability
 - charge/discharge data

PRODUCT CONFIGURATION

Product:	SL-BR (7.5Ah,10W) ▼	LED Colour:	Red ▼	Calculation Mode:	Range ▼
		Flash Code:	F ▼	Night Range step:	3 ▼ NM
			0.00, 0.00 ▼	Transmissivity:	0.7411 ▼
		Operational Mode:	Dusk-Till-Dawn ▼	Background Lighting:	None ▼

[Change Location](#) Location: Miami-Dade County (Lat: 25.782,Lng: -80.229) Advanced Parameter Definitic

Solar Calculations/2



**Above: Optimal "charging" months:
Amount of charge provided by the solar system must exceed discharge**

Francis Scott Key Bridge



Design & Power Efficiency

Application Details

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Region: Mid-Atlantic, United States

Date: Spring, 2015

Site: Baltimore, Maryland
over Patapsco River

Product: 3-5nm Lights, Solar Panels,
Power Supplies, Batteries,
Mounting Hardware,
Central Photoelectric
Control

Application: Fixed Bridge over
Navigable Water

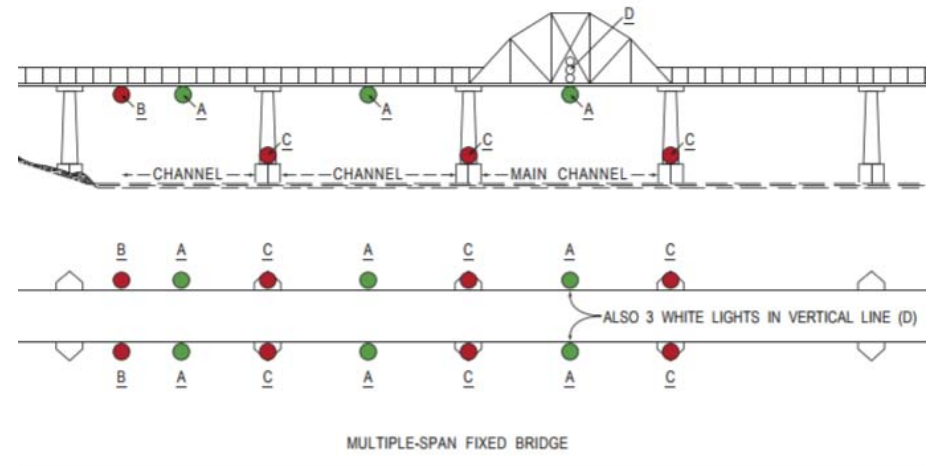
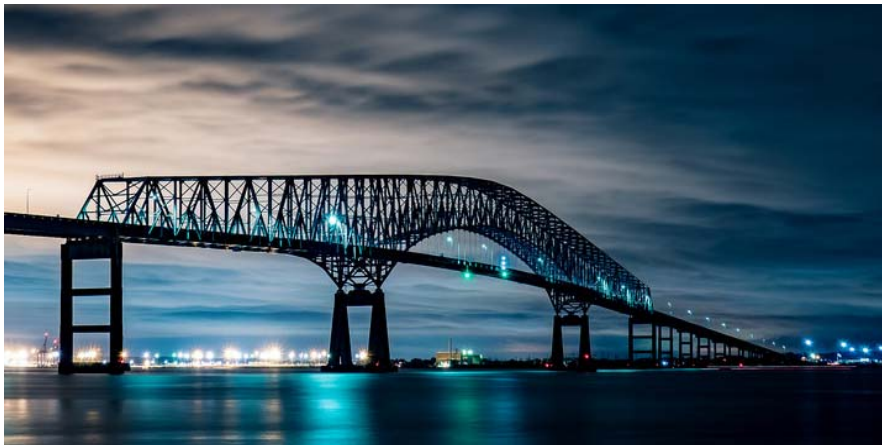
OPPORTUNITY/SOLUTION

- Bridge Nav Lighting Visible
Against Confusing
Background Lighting
- Visibility 5+ miles
- Custom Power
- Custom Mount
- Custom Shielding





Francis Scott Key Bridge



USCG Minimum Lighting Requirements for Fixed Bridges



LIGHT COLORS AND HORIZONTAL ARCS OF VISIBILITY

- A**  CHANNEL CENTER—360° GREEN (180° GREEN ON BRIDGES LIGHTED PRIOR TO JAN 1, 1947, UNTIL LIGHTS ARE REPAIRED OR REPLACED).
- B**  CHANNEL MARGIN—180° RED
- C**  PIER—180° RED
- D**  MAIN CHANNEL—180° WHITE, 3 LIGHTS IN VERTICAL LINE (60°—180° ON BRIDGES LIGHTED PRIOR TO JAN. 1, 1953, UNTIL LIGHTS ARE REPAIRED OR REPLACED).

Tar Heel/David B. Melvin Bridge



Remote Monitoring, Easy Installation



Application Details

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Region: Southeast United States

Date: Fall 2016

Site: Tar Heel, North Carolina
over Cape Fear River

Product: SL-BR Red & Green, Solar
Panels, Solar Power
Supplies, Standalone GSM
Monitoring

Application: Fixed Bridge over
Navigable Water

OPPORTUNITY/SOLUTION

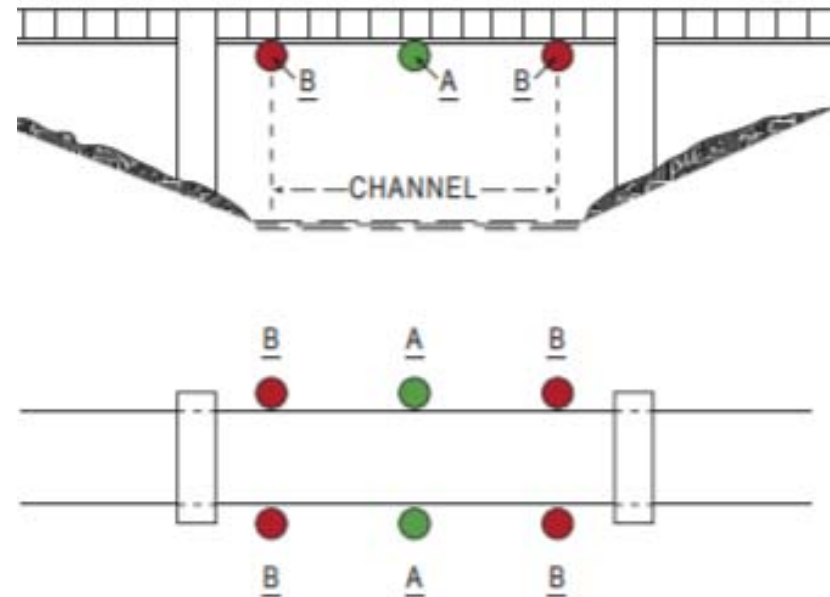
- Difficult to reach: GSM Monitoring
- Utility Cost Reduction: Solar Power
- Easy Replacement/Installation of
New Lighting: Solar Power
- Automatic Operation: Dawn to
Dusk

Tar Heel/David B. Melvin Bridge

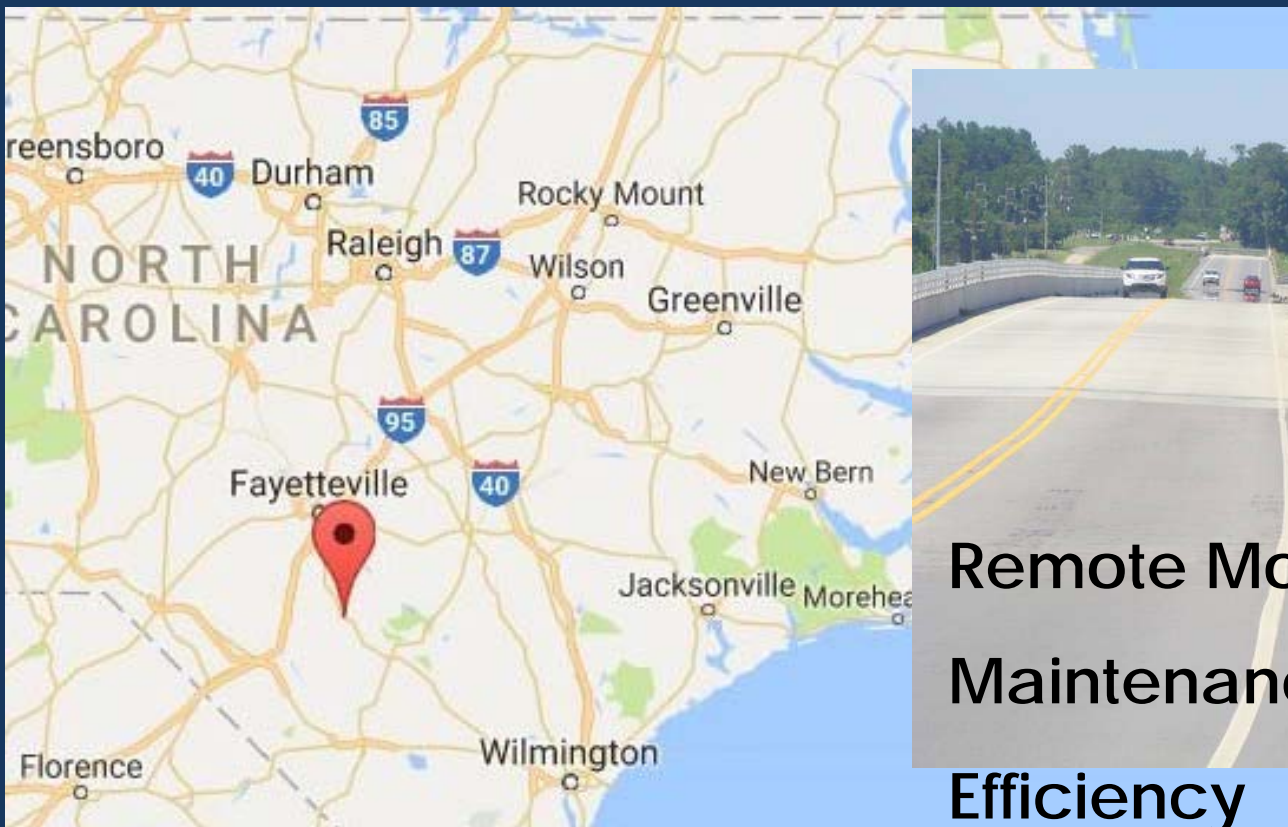


USCG Minimum Lighting

Requirements for Fixed Bridges



Tar Heel/David B. Melvin Bridge



Remote Monitoring
Maintenance
Efficiency

Tar Heel/David B. Melvin Bridge



Tuckahoe Bridge



Application Details

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Region: Mid-Atlantic, United States

Date: Summer, 2017

Site: New Jersey

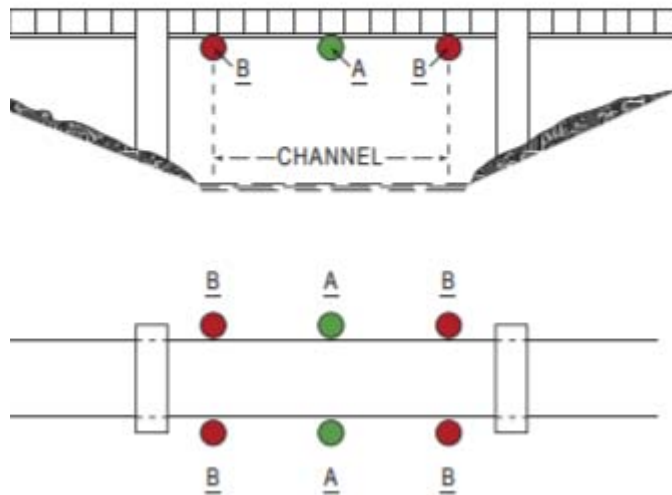
Product: SL-BR, Solar Panels, Back-up Battery with Fail-Over from Mains Power, Blue Fault Indicator Light, GSM Monitoring

Application: Fixed Bridge over Navigable Water

OPPORTUNITY/SOLUTION

- Fully Integrated Lighting System
- A/C Power w/Battery Back-up
- Fault/Remote Monitoring
- Single Manufacturer Sales & Service Support
- Automatic Nighttime Operation

Tuckahoe Bridge

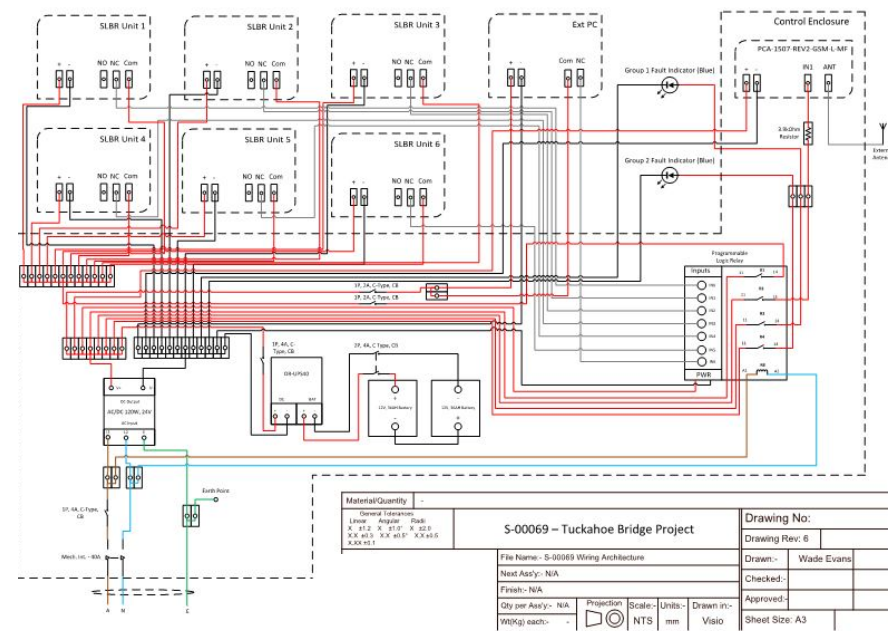


Bid Specifications

750.02.01 Navigation Lights

- A. Provide LED-type navigation lights of sufficient candlepower as to be visible against the background lighting a minimum distance of 2000 yards (1.8 km) 1 Nautical Mile, 90% of the nights of the year. Use optically aligned lamp and lens of such design to provide this visibility.
- B. Design navigation light system to operate directly at 24VDC nominal from a battery and charger sourced as part of the service entrance cabinet. See 750.02.05 Battery and Battery Charger. (part of 750.02.03)
- C. Navigation light fixtures are herein defined as assemblies consisting of LED type lantern with integral driver/power supply and pendant-type swing arm assembly designed and manufactured by a single manufacturer.
- D. Subject to compliance with all of the requirements of this specification, active membership in IALA or other national or international association of manufacturers such as ISO and approval by the RE provide navigation light fixtures manufactured by:
 - B. The signal light shall be a low-profile, LED type with blue lens, rated NEMA 4X with an operating temperature rating to -20 degrees C. The light shall be fitted with an integral ½ inch NPT threaded opening for pipe-mounting. The LED array shall be rated 24VDC. The lens shall be protected with a wire guard as provided by the manufacturer of the signal light. The manufacturer of the navigation light fixture shall provide the signal light and pipe mount either as part of the complete assembly or as a separate field-mounted item with all necessary fittings for connecting the signal light wiring to the lantern fault relay contact.

Tuckahoe Bridge



Additional Bridge Lighting Considerations/1



Material Considerations



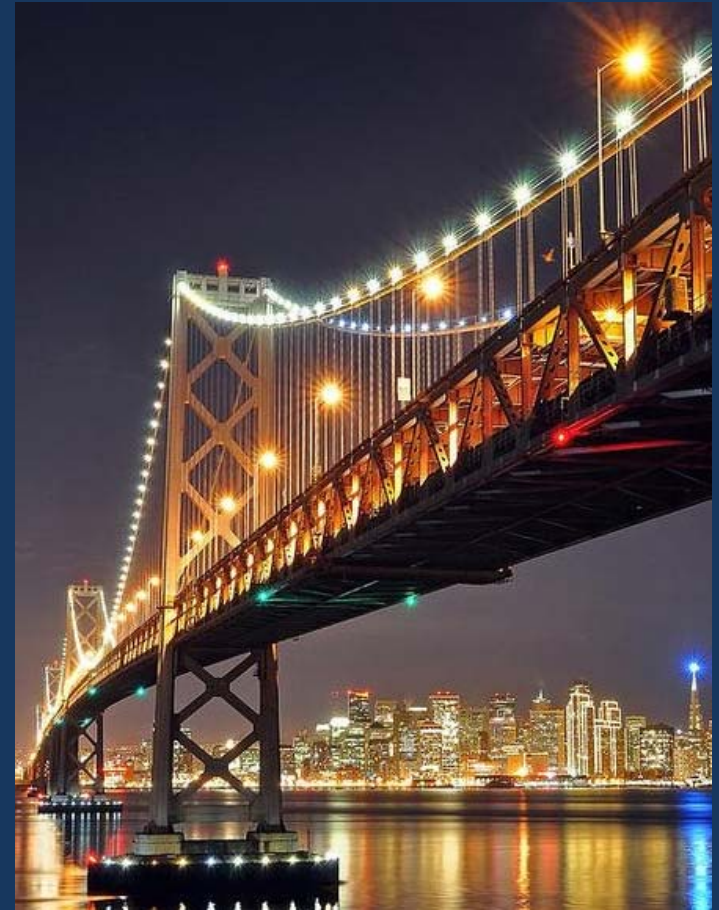
Sectored Bridge Light



Additional Bridge Lighting Considerations/2



Solar Obstruction Lighting



Additional Bridge Lighting Considerations/3



Smart Bridges

- AC powered lights
- DC backups
- Remote real-time monitoring
- Environmental sensors broadcasting to marine information system network to enhance vessel safety while transiting bridges
- Completely integrated systems with monitoring and control of sensors, lights, and even security systems (motion sensors, cameras, etc.)

Additional Bridge Lighting Considerations/4



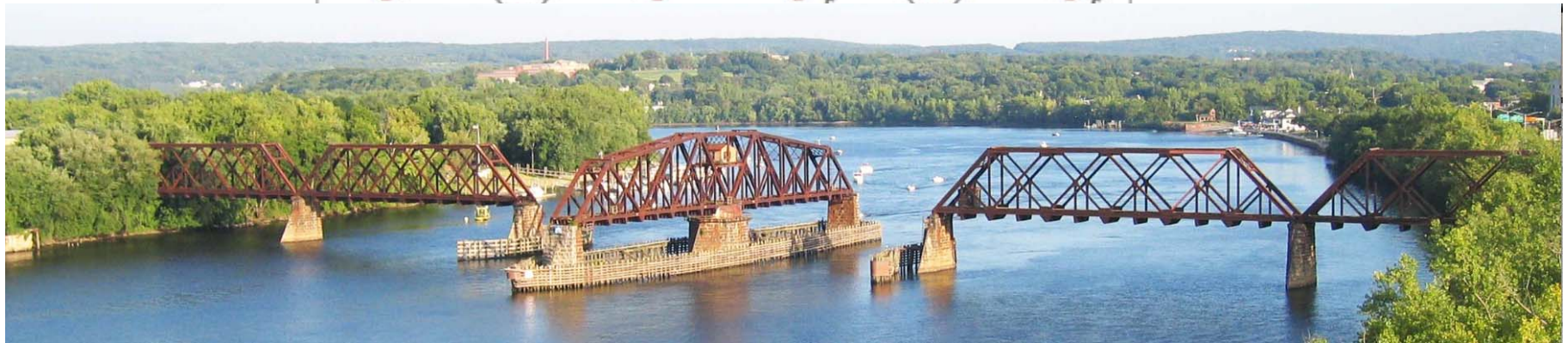
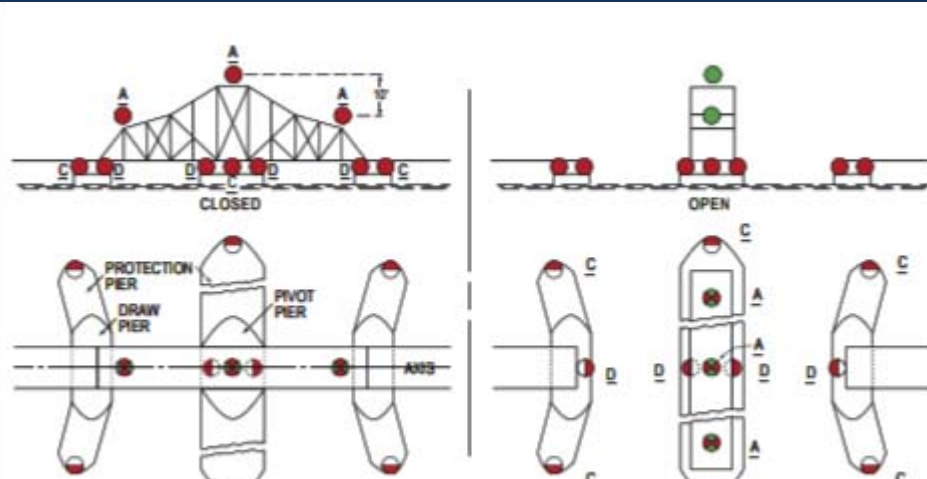
Day Marks



Different Bridges/Different Requirements/1



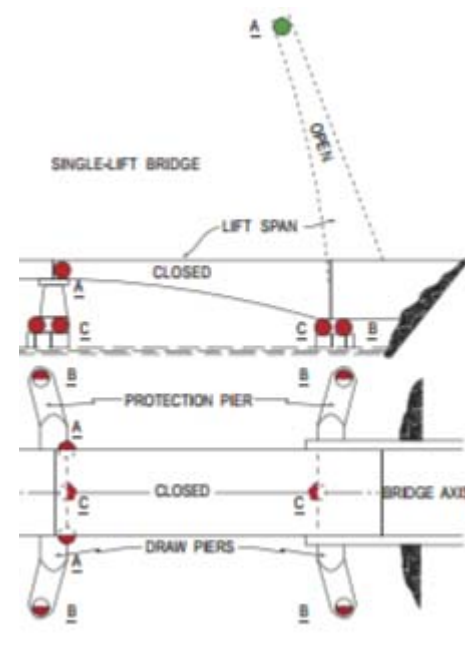
Swing Bridge



Different Bridges/Different Requirements/2



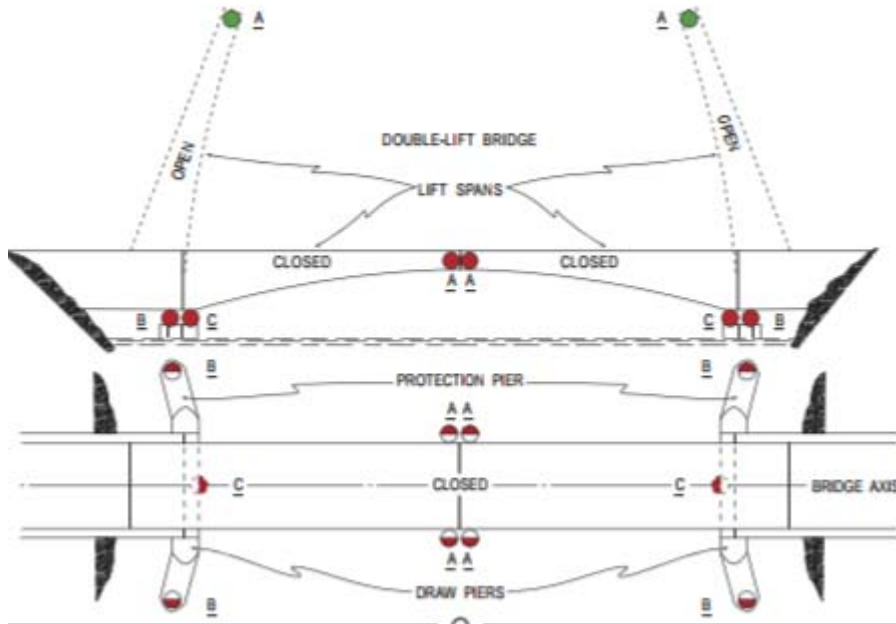
Single Lift Bridge



Different Bridges/Different Requirements/3



Double Lift Bridge



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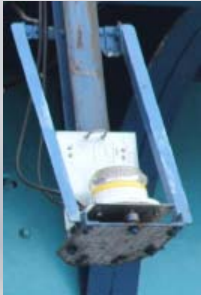
Office of Bridge Administration:
Bridge Lighting and Other Signals

- Sealite – Bridge Lighting 

- Avlite Systems – Obstruction Lighting



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Questions?

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