

It is submitted the Surveyors be informed that the 17 x 4 x 4 x .52" channels were originally approved for the bottom longitudinals on the basis of a 10'-6" unsupported span. In way of the pump room, in the centre tanks, this unsupported span with horizontal brackets fitted is 11'-8 $\frac{1}{4}$ " and in these circumstances it is considered that compensation should be provided for this increased span. This could take the form of increasing the rider plate indicated to be fitted on the 15 x 4 x 4 x .50 channels from 4" x $\frac{1}{2}$ " to 6" x $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

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