

INTRODUCTION

Barsplice Products, Inc. (BPI) have conducted a series of tests on reinforcing bar mechanical splices, sizes No. 3 through No. 18. The tests have been conducted on Taper Threaded Grip-Twist® Position (TPA) Mechanical Splices. The purpose of the testing is to ensure that products are manufactured to the quality standards of BPI's ISO 9001 Quality System and are capable of exceeding strength requirements of various Building Codes.

TENSILE TEST PROCEDURE

Test specimens were loaded monotonically in tension to failure to determine the capability of the splice system. The tests were conducted in accordance with ASTM A370 (Standard Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products) and ASTM A1034 (Standard Test Methods for Testing Mechanical Splices for Steel Reinforcing Bars). The testing was performed to exceed the strength requirements of ACI (American Concrete Institute) 318-19, Chapter 25 and Chapter 18 using ASTM A615 and A706 Grade 60 reinforcing bar.

All monotonic tension tests were carried out on a 600 kip Forney universal testing machine, or a 900 kip MTS universal test machine, located at the Barsplice manufacturing facility. Current calibration certificates for the test machine(s) are on file.

The reinforcing steel used in these tests conforms to the requirements of ASTM A615, Grade 60 and ASTM A706, Grade 60.

TEST RESULTS

Results of the Taper Threaded Grip-Twist® Position (TPA) tension testing described above are summarized in Table 1 and represented in Chart 1.

SUMMARY

Tension test specimens exceeded the Type 1 strength requirements of ACI 318-19, Chapter 25, namely 125% x specified yield strength of Grade 60 reinforcement, or 75.000 psi (515 MPa).

Tension test specimens exceeded the Type 2 strength requirements of ACI 318-19, Chapter 18, namely the specified tensile strength of ASTM A615 and A706 Grade 60 bar, or 80,000 psi (550 MPa), which is equivalent to 133% x specified yield.

TABLE 1: TTGT POSITION TENSILE TEST RESULTS

				PEAK STRENGTH		
BAR SIZE	TEST LAB ID # & REF #		MAX STRESS (psi)	% GR. 60 SPEC. YIELD		
	3T125	ЗА	105,091	175%		
No 2	3T126	3A	103,727	173%		
No. 3	3T127	ЗА	100,273	167%		
	3T128	ЗА	104,364	174%		
	.=	4A	106,150	177%		
	4T2468	4B	102,800	171%		
NI- 4	470000	4A	111,350	186%		
No. 4	4T2983	4B	110,150	184%		
	470000	4A	112,050	187%		
	4T3039	4B	105,400	176%		
	5T3512*	5A	96,645	161%		
No. 5	======	5A	109,806	183%		
	516612	5B	111,290	185%		
		5A	112,777	188%		
	5T10990	5B	113,088	188%		
		5A	116,507	194%		
	5T11454	5B	114,107	190%		
	5T12973	5A	107,387	179%		
		5B	110,854	185%		
	6T635	6A	115,683	193%		
		6B	116,001	193%		
	5T6612 5B 111,290 5T10990 5A 112,777 5B 113,088 5A 116,507 5B 114,107 5B 114,107 5A 107,387 5B 110,854 6A 115,683 6B 116,001 6A 107,432 6B 113,659 6A 121,795 6B 115,409 6A 106,829 6B 109,423 7T319 7A 105,746 7B 105,596 7A 116,095	6A	107,432	179%		
		113,659	189%			
No. 6		6A	121,795	203%		
		6B	115,409	192%		
	6T7317	6A	106,829	178%		
		6B	109,423	182%		
	7T319	7A	105,746	176%		
		7B	105,596	176%		
	7T451	7A	116,095	193%		
No. 7		7B	114,211	190%		
No. 7	7T452	7A	117,572	196%		
		7B	113,039	188%		
	7T2060	7A	111,347	186%		
		7B	110,973	185%		

			PEAK STRENGTH	
BAR SIZE	TEST LAB ID # & REF #		MAX STRESS (psi)	% GR. 60 SPEC. YIELD
	8T649	8A	108,304	181%
	01049	8B	107,089	178%
No. 8	074505	8A	109,633	183%
	8T1505	8B	108,671	181%
	8T2530	8A	110,949	185%
	012550	8B	111,316	186%
	8T3731	8A	112,402	187%
	013/31	8B	114,961	192%
	9T342	9A	109,162	182%
	31342	9B	110,132	184%
	9T1091	9A	107,070	178%
No. 9	911091	9B	108,450	181%
	9T1780	9A	114,410	191%
	911760	9B	115,040	192%
	9T2100	9A	110,445	184%
	912100	9B	111,308	186%
	10T1621	10A	108,094	180%
	10T1631	10B	111,543	186%
	10T2022	10A	108,642	181%
	1012022	10B	110,583	184%
No. 10	10T2000	10A	106,648	178%
	10T2098	10B	108,195	180%
	10T2542	10A	113,169	189%
	10T2896	10A	115,792	193%
		10B	117,642	196%
	11T3832*	11A	95,480	159%
No. 11	11T4062	11A	110,003	183%
	11T4062	11B	109,341	182%
	11T4193	11A	112,710	188%
		11B	111,722	186%
	11T4202*	11A	100,515	168%
	11T5618	11A	113,759	190%
		11B	114,841	191%
	11T5645	11A	116,013	193%
		11B	115,552	193%

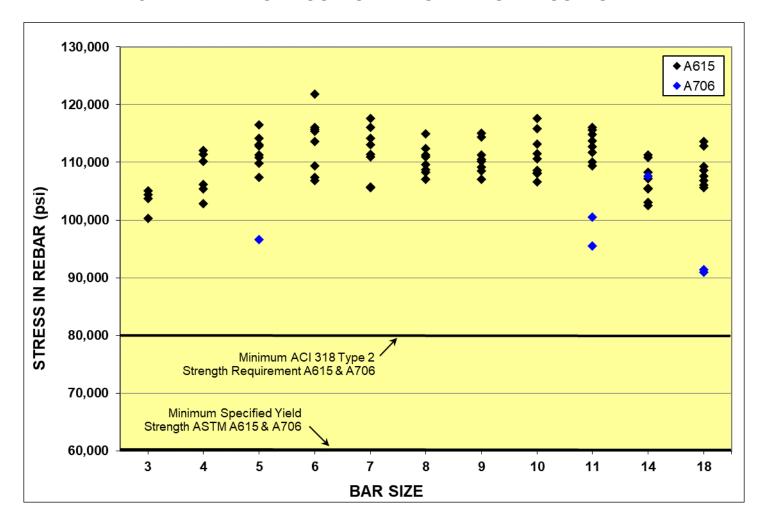
^{*} Test conducted on ASTM A706 reinforcement bar

TABLE 1: TTGT POSITION TENSILE TEST RESULTS (CONTINUED)

	TEST LAB ID # & REF #		PEAK STRENGTH	
BAR SIZE			MAX STRESS (psi)	% GR. 60 SPEC. YIELD
	14T366	14A	108,289	180%
		14B	107,156	179%
	14T574	14A	103,027	172%
	141374	14B 102,458	171%	
No. 14	14T1119	14A	105,544	176%
	1411119	14B	105,346	176%
14T1285* 14T1622	14T1285*	14A	107,579	179%
	1.4T1622	14A	111,232	185%
	14B	110,860	185%	

BAR SIZE			MAX STRESS (psi)	% GR. 60 SPEC.
		TEST LAB ID # & REF #		YIELD
	40T070	18A	106,880	178%
	18T376	18B	106,112	177%
	18T449*	18A	91,022	152%
	18T724*	18A	91,398	152%
No. 18	18T753	18A	108,640	181%
NO. 16		18B	109,268	182%
	18T1056	18A	112,784	188%
		18B	113,638	189%
	18T1068	18A	107,654	179%
		18B	105,615	176%

CHART 1: TTGT POSITION TENSILE TEST RESULTS



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