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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

March 26, 2024

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RE:

PETITION NO. 1557 – LSE Hercules LLC (NJR Clean Energy Ventures III Corporation) Declaratory Ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, for the construction, maintenance and operation of a 4-megawatt AC solar photovoltaic electric generating facility located at 95, 105 and 113 Raffia Road, Enfield, Connecticut, and associated electrical interconnection. **Compliance with Condition Nos. 3 and 7.**

Dear Attorney Soltesz:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) is in receipt of your correspondence dated March 26, 2024 regarding compliance with Condition Nos. 3 and 7 of the Declaratory Ruling issued by the Council on April 14, 2023 for the above-referenced facility. The correspondence includes the final structural design of the racking system, stamped by a Professional Engineer duly licensed in the State of Connecticut, in accordance with Condition No. 3 and notice of construction commencement, in accordance with Condition No. 7.

Therefore, the Council acknowledges that Condition Nos. 3 and 7 have been satisfied. This acknowledgment applies only to the conditions satisfied by the March 26, 2024 correspondence.

Please be advised that deviations from the standards established by the Council in the Declaratory Ruling are enforceable under the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes §16-50u.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Melanie A. Bachman Executive Director

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March 26, 2024

Attorney Melanie Bachman Executive Director Connecticut Siting Council 10 Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

Re: PETITION NO. 1557 – LSE Hercules LLC petition for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4-176 and §16-50k, Notice of Commencement of Construction Activities in Connection with the Raffia Farm Solar Project.

Dear Attorney Bachman:

In accordance with Conditions #3 and #7 of the Connecticut Siting Council's Declaratory Ruling of Petition 1557 (dated April 14, 2023), LSE Hercules, LLC ("LSE") hereby submits the final structural design for the racking system (Condition #3) and provides written notice to the Siting Council that construction activities will commence on or about April 8, 2024 (Condition #7).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

John A. Soltesz III

John A. Soltesz III Assistant General Counsel NJR Clean Energy Ventures III Corporation

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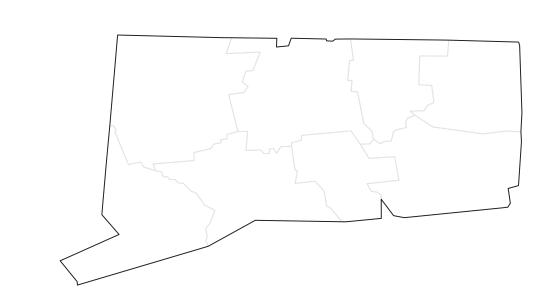
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USE WITH THE FOLLOWING PRINTS & PACKAGES. INCLUDE WITH SUBMISSION TO PERMIT/INSPECTION AGENCY:

- ✓ CALCULATION PACKAGE:

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- FOUNDATION DESIGN REPORT (SITE SPECIFIC, & ONLY WHERE REQUIRED BY EOR OR AHJ)



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PERMIT SET/ STRUCTURAL PACKET

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GOVERNING STRUCTURAL CODE/S

2021 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE

PACKAGE COVERAGE - LOADING AND SETUP RANGES & CONSTANTS

TILT ANGLES: 25°
MAX GROUND SNOW LOAD (PSF): 35
MAX WIND LOADS (MPH): 107
WIND EXPOSURE CATEGORY: C
MAX SEISMIC Ss: 0.174 g
MAX SEISMIC S1: 0.055 g

PV MODULE: HYPERION HY-DH144P8 OR SIMILAR

MAX. PANEL WIDTH: 44.65"

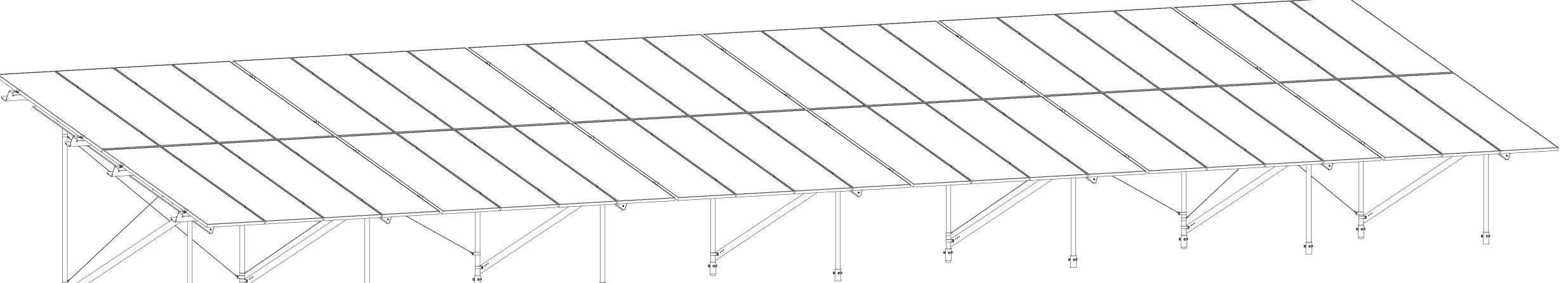
MAX. PANEL LENGTH: 89.69"

MAX. PANEL HEIGHT: 2.00"

MAX. PANEL WEIGHT: 74.00 LBS

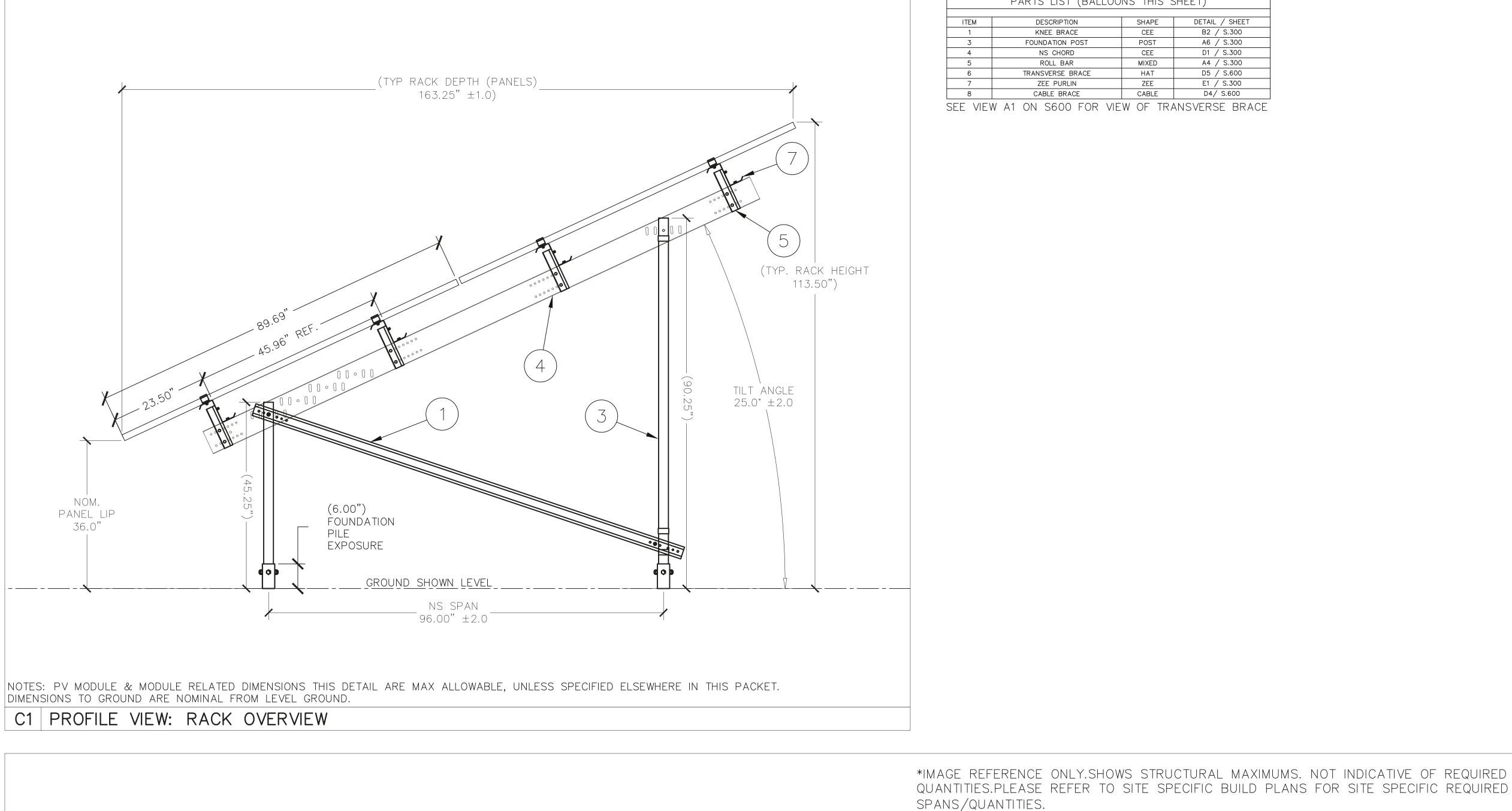
RISK CATEGORY: MAX FRONT LIP CLEARANCE:

SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC GROUND MOUNT



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IMAGE FOR REFERENCE ONLY



[13'-6"]

ORANGE ZONE

628"

[52'-3 3/4"]

PARTS LIST (BALLOONS THIS SHEET)					
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	SHAPE	DETAIL / SHEET		
1	KNEE BRACE	CEE	B2 / S.300		
3	FOUNDATION POST	POST	A6 / S.300		
4	NS CHORD	CEE	D1 / S.300		
5	ROLL BAR	MIXED	A4 / S.300		
6	TRANSVERSE BRACE	HAT	D5 / S.600		
7	ZEE PURLIN	ZEE	E1 / S.300		
8	CABLE BRACE	CABLE	D4/ S.600		
CEE VIEW A1 ON COOR FOR VIEW OF TRANSVERSE DRASI					

SEE VIEW A1 ON S600 FOR VIEW OF TRANSVERSE BRACE

REMAINING INTERIOR

GREEN ZONE ¹

NOTES:

- 1. STANDARD FRONT LIP HEIGHT AND TILT ANGLES MEASURED FROM LEVEL GROUND
- 2. FOUNDATION TESTING, WHERE REQUIRED, SHALL BE DONE ACCORDING TO THE "QUICK TEST METHOD" PER ASTM D1143 & D3689.
- 3. PRINT DIMENSIONS: DIMENSIONS SHOWN REFLECT POST HEIGHTS ON LEVEL GROUND. ON UNEVEN TERRAIN, REAR FOUNDATION POST HEIGHT WILL BE DICTATED BY FRONT LIP HEIGHT, PANEL TILT, AND NORTH/SOUTH POST SPACING.
- 4. <u>ADDITIONAL TOLERANCES</u>: POST PLUMBNESS SHOULD BE WITHIN ±2°
- 5. SPECIAL INSPECTIONS (WHERE REQUIRED):

SPECIAL INSPECTIONS ARE <u>NOT REQUIRED BY APA</u> SOLAR OR THE STRUCTURAL ENGINEER OF RECORD, THE JDI GROUP. WHERE REQUIRED BY OWNER, CUSTOMER, AND/OR AUTHORITY HAVING JURISDICTION, MÍNIMUM INSPECTION SHALL FOLLOW IBC OR LOCAL AHJ SPECIAL INSPECTIONS GUIDELINES.

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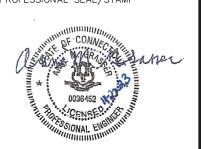
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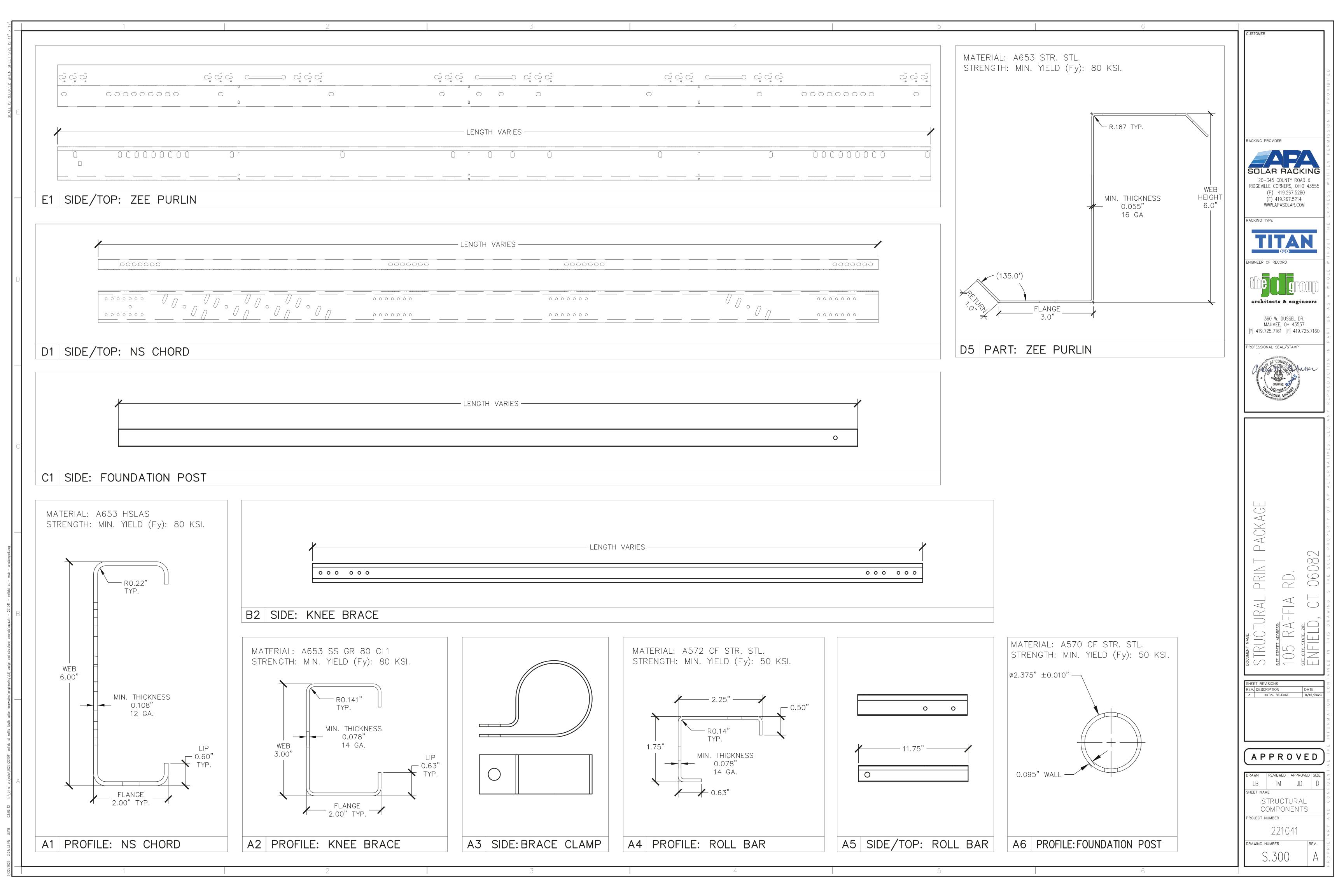
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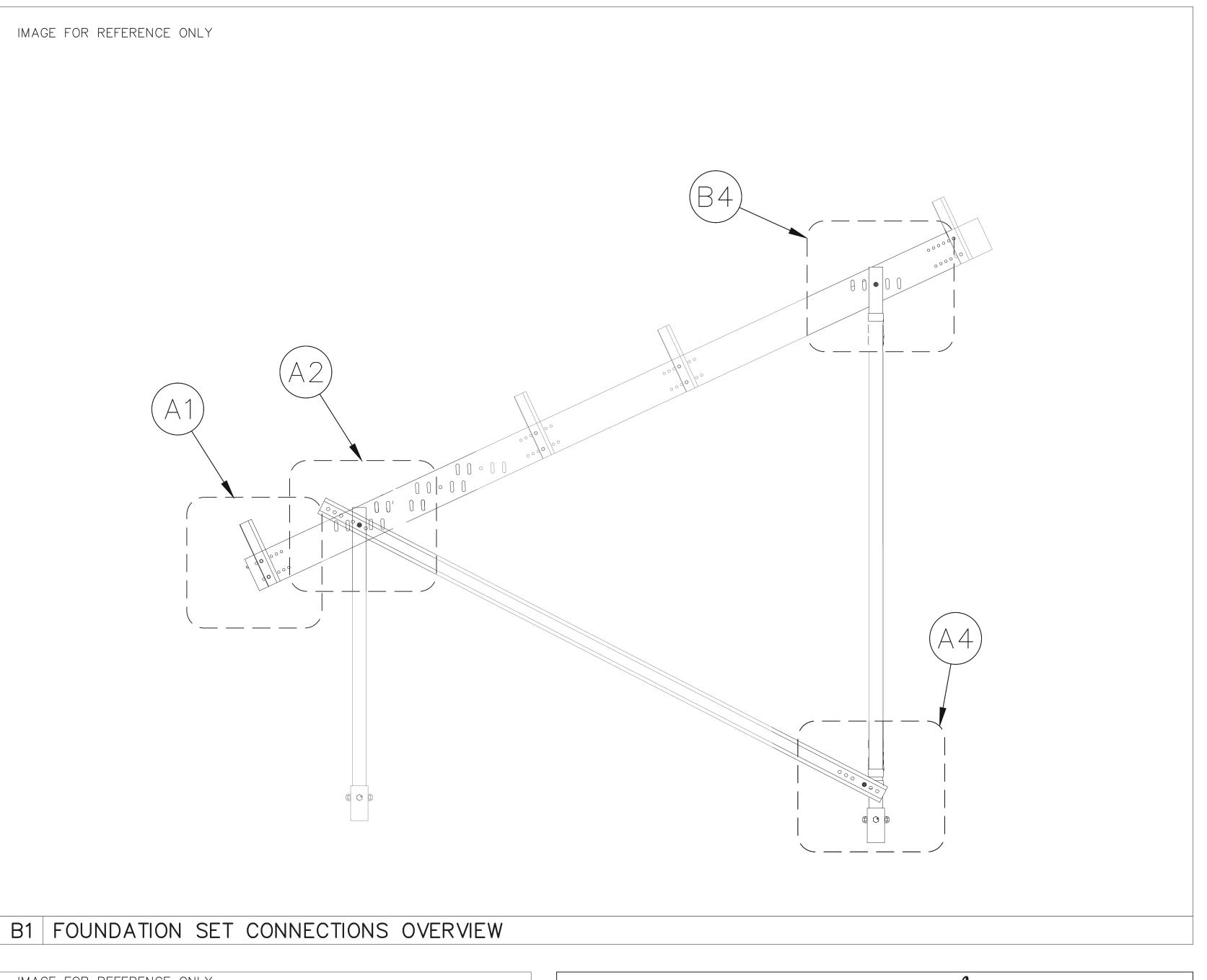
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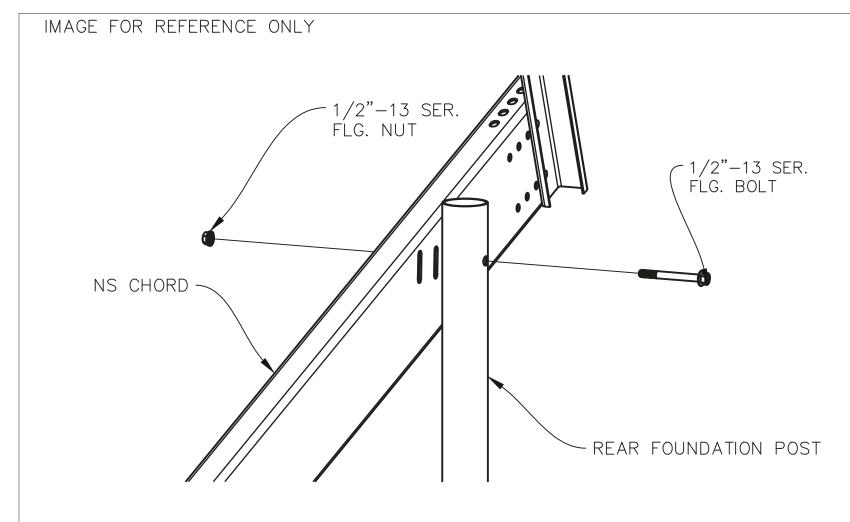
TYP. CANT. 68" (MAX CANT. 68") YELLOW ZONE SPAN _ 229.50" YELLOW ZONE SPAN _ 229.50" _ GREEN ZONE SPAN _ 229.50" ORANGE ZONE SPAN NOTES: MAX CANTILEVER MEASURED FROM EDGE OF PANEL TO POST CENTER. MAX SPAN MEASURED FROM PILE CENTER TO PILE CENTER. POST QUANTITY AS REQUIRED TO SATISFY CANTILEVERS, SPANS, ROW LENGTH, & PANEL QUANTITY 1. WHERE ALLOWABLE PER THE CALCULATIONS PACKAGE. EXTERIOR/CORNER AREAS SHALL REMAIN ZONED YELLOW. SEE EXPLAINATION IN CALC PACKAGE. SITE SPECIFIC BUILD PLANS SHALL DESIGNATE EXTERIOR/CORNER SPANS. A1 ELEVATION VIEW FROM FRONT (NORTH-FACING)

[38'-9 3/4"]

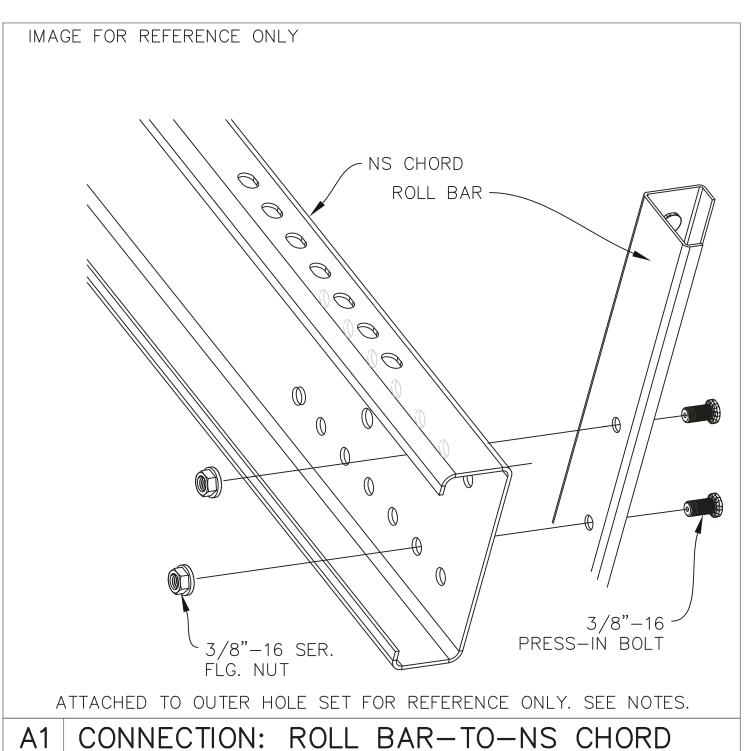
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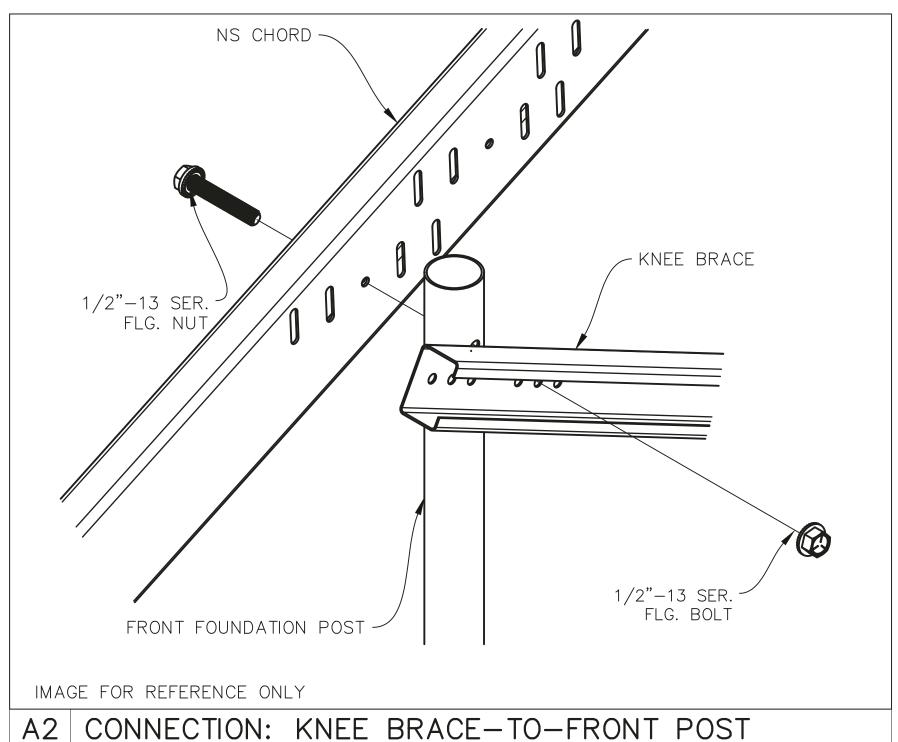


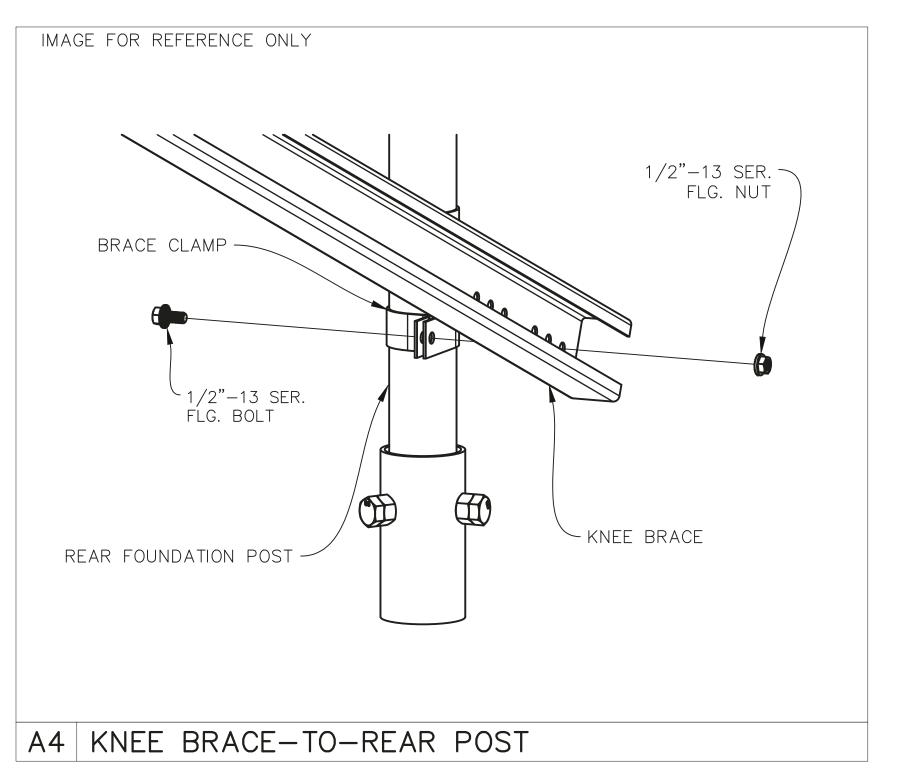




B4 CONNECTION: REAR POST-TO-NS CHORD







NOTES:

1. HARDWARE TORQUE VALUES:

3/8"-16 STAINLESS STEEL MIN.: 17.5 FT-LBS NOM.: 19.6 FT-LBS MAX.: 50.0 FT-LBS

1/2"-13 STAINLESS STEEL MIN: 25 FT-LBS

- 2. DEPICTED HARDWARE AND PART PLACEMENT NOT INDICATIVE OF PREFERRED OR REQUIRED POSITIONS.
- 3. HOLE/SLOT PATTERNS IN PARTS ALLOW FOR DEVIATION FROM NOMINAL DIMENSIONS, MULTIPLE PART POSITIONS, AND MULTIPLE TILT ANGLES.
- 4. SEE INSTALLATION MANUAL FOR SETUP INSTRUCTIONS.
- 5. SERRATED FLANGED BOLTS MAY BE REPLACED WITH EQUIVALENT PRESS—IN BOLTS. SEE NOTE 10 FOR MORE OPTIONS.
- 6. PRESS-IN BOLTS, WHERE PRESENT, TO BE INSTALLED TO MANUFACTURERS RECOMMENDED VALUES.
- 7. OTHER SPECIFIC CONNECTIONS ELSEWHERE IN PRINT SET.
- 8. ROLL BAR MUST CONNECT TO THE CORRECT HOLES IN CEE CHANNEL (INNER, OR OUTER TYPICALLY), AS DETERMINED BY PV MODULE MANUFACTURERS ALLOWABLE CLAMPING ZONE.
- 9. USE CORRECT NOMINAL HOLES IN CEE TO CONNECT TO FOUNDATION POST, AS INDICATED. ADJACENT HOLES AND SLOTS FOR FIELD ADJUSTMENTS.
- 10. SERRATED HARDWARE MAY BE REPLACED WITH EQUIVALENT HARDWARE WITH WASHERS IF NECESSARY.
- 11. IN ALL DETAILS, THE PRESENCE OF TWO SETS OF HARDWARE INDICATES THE REQUIREMENT OF TWO SETS OF HARDWARE.
- 12. STAINLESS STEEL HARDWARE MAY BE
 REPLACED WITH GALVANIZED STEEL HARDWARE
 OR CORROSION AND STRENGTH COMPARABLE
 HARDWARE MATERIALS AND FINISHES.
- 13. UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE, ALL HARDWARE MAY BE INSTALLED IN EITHER DIRECTION (NUT/BOLT MAY BE ON EITHER SIDE OF CONNECTION).
- 14. WHEN NECESSARY, ADDITIONAL HOLES MAY BE DRILLED TO COMPLETE CONNECTION.
 ENGINEERING SHALL BE CONTRACTED PRIOR TO FIELD MODIFICATIONS OF PARTS.

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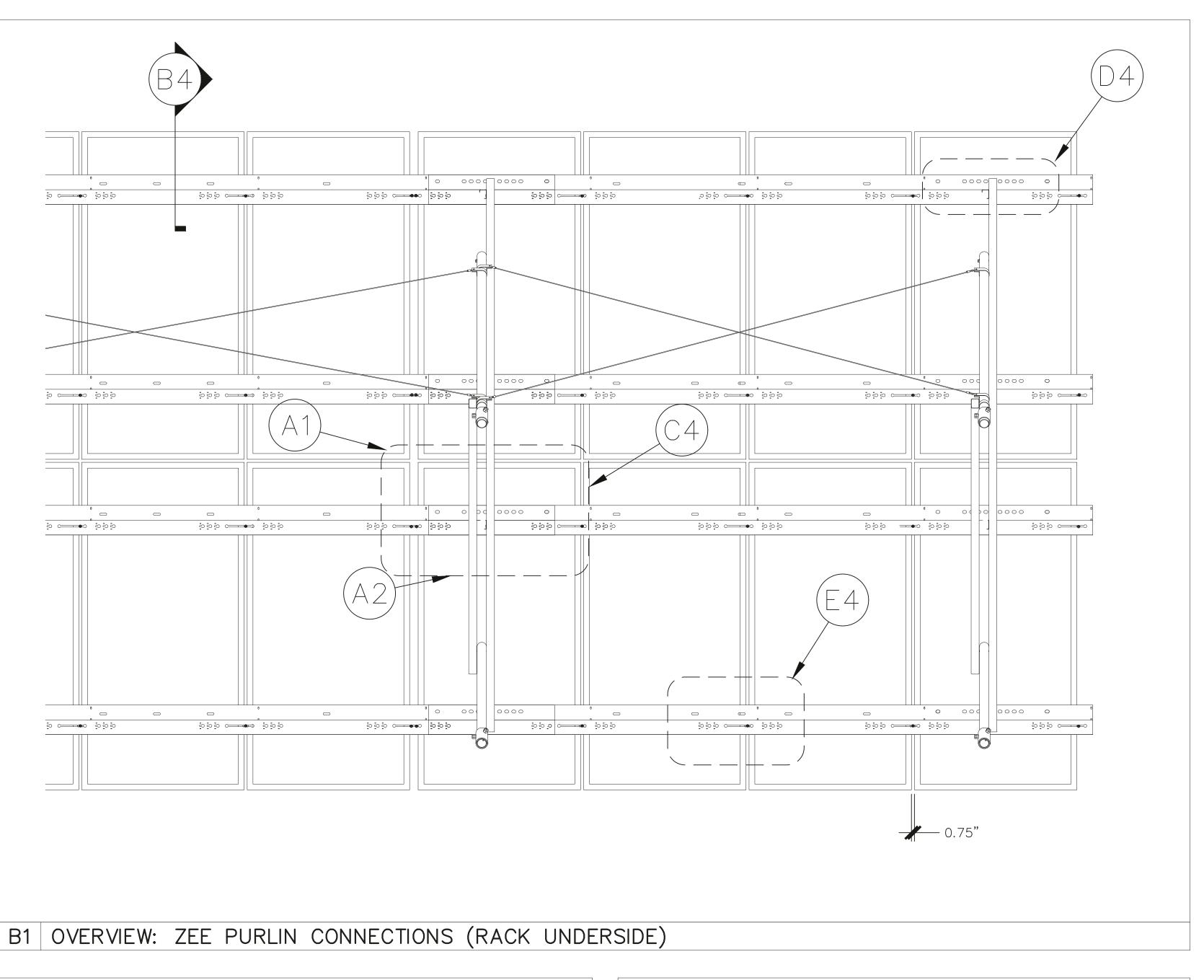
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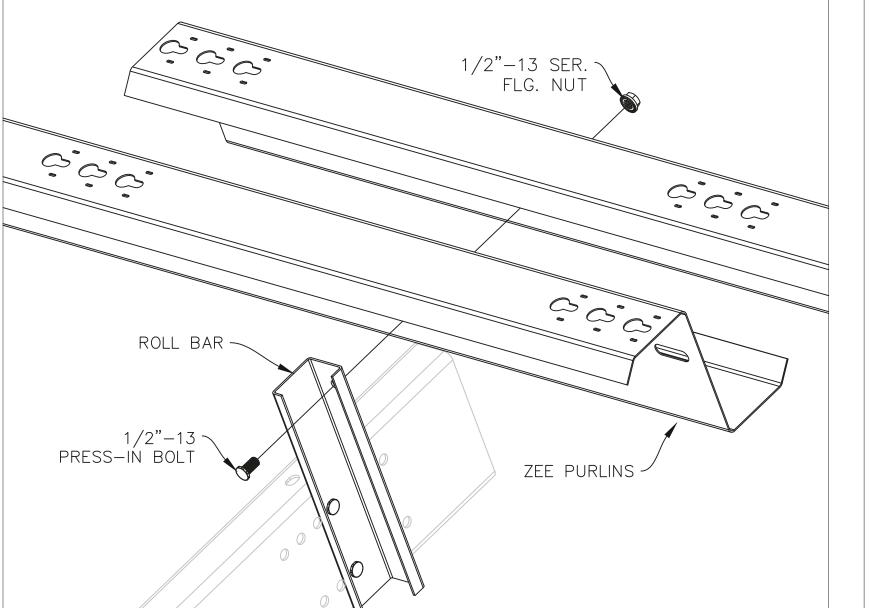
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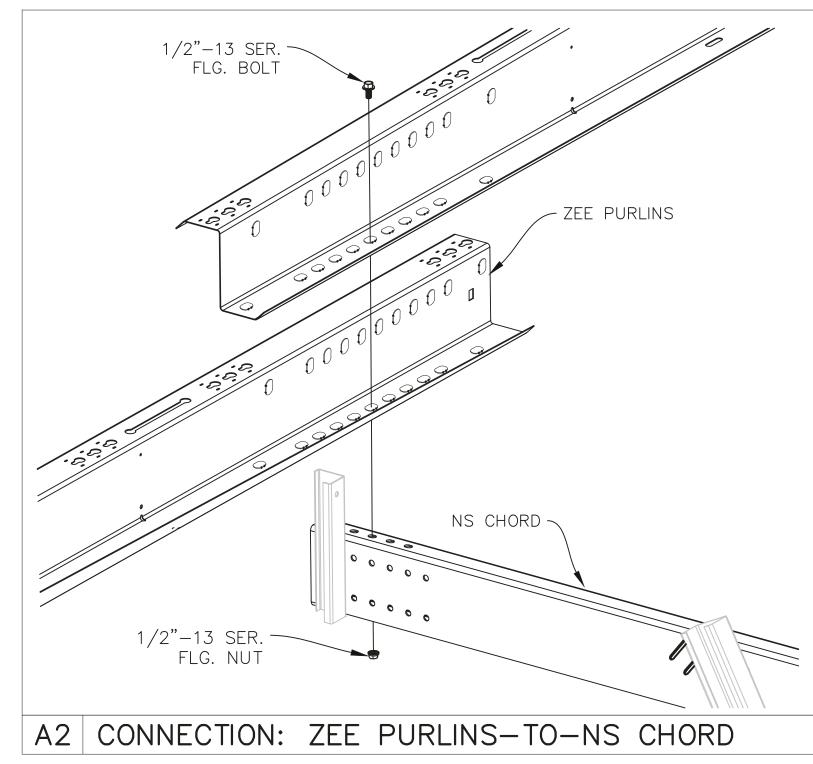
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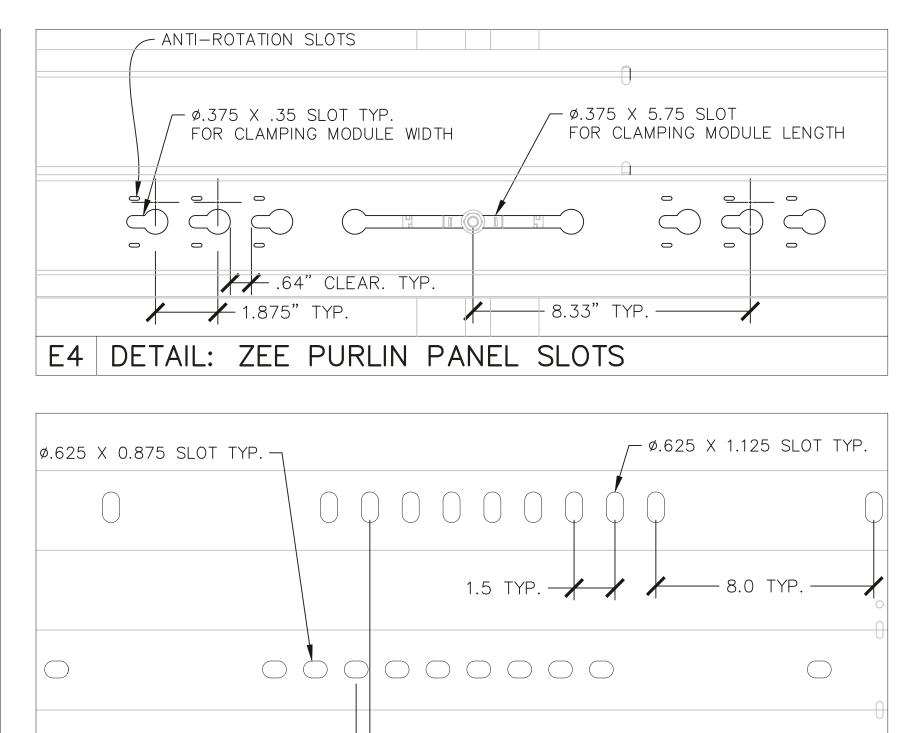
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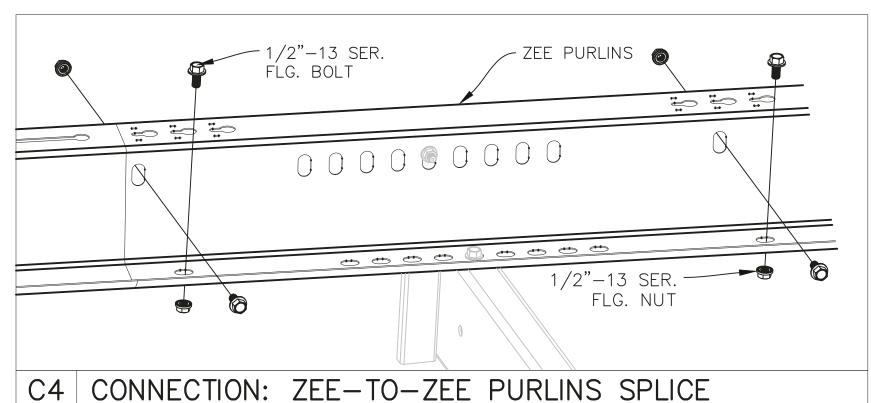




A1 CONNECTION: ZEE PURLINS-TO-ROLL BAR







2.0 TYP.

D4 DETAIL: ZEE PURLIN SPLICE SLOTS

1. HARDWARE TORQUE VALUES:

MIN.: 17.5 FT-LBS NOM.: 19.6 FT-LBS

- 2. DEPICTED HARDWARE AND PART PLACEMENT NOT INDICATIVE OF PREFERRED OR REQUIRED
- DEVIATION FROM NOMINAL DIMENSIONS, MULTIPLE PART POSITIONS, AND MULTIPLE TILT ANGLES.
- 4. SEE INSTALLATION MANUAL FOR SETUP INSTRUCTIONS.
- 5. SERRATED FLANGED BOLTS MAY BE REPLACED WITH EQUIVALENT PRESS-IN BOLTS.
- PRINT SET.
- 8. SERRATED HARDWARE MAY BE REPLACED WITH EQUIVALENT HARDWARE WITH WASHERS IF
- TWO SETS OF HARDWARE.
- HARDWARE MATERIALS AND FINISHES.
- 11. UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE, ALL HARDWARE MAY BE INSTALLED IN EITHER DIRECTION (NUT/BOLT MAY BE ON EITHER SIDE OF CONNECTION).
- 12. WHEN NECESSARY, ADDITIONAL HOLES MAY BE DRILLED TO COMPLETE CONNECTION. ENGINEERING SHALL BE CONTRACTED PRIOR TO FIELD MODIFICATIONS OF PARTS.
- UTILIZE LOWER SPLICE BOLTS. SEE
- MINIMUM 32", AS INDICATED, EXCEPT AT ENDS OF ROW, WHERE NO SPLICE IS REQUIRED.
- 17. SPLICE MAY OVERLAP IN EITHER DIRECTION.
- OR EXCEED OUR STANDARD PRODUCT WARRANTY.
- 19. ZEE PURLINS GALVANIZED TO CONFORM TO A MINIMUM THICKNESS DESIGNATION EQUAL TO G90 OR INLINE GALVANIZED TO COMPARABLE THICKNESS AS PER ASTM A1057.
- 20. TYPICAL ZEE PURLIN RETURN LIP ANGLE SHOWN. ACTUAL ANGLE MAY VARY.
- 21. SLOT DIMENSIONS FOR REFERENCE ONLY. FINAL SHAPE, FREQUENCY, AND DIMENSIONS MAY
- LOCATION WITHIN ARRAY.

3/8"-16 STAINLESS STEEL

MAX.: 50.0 FT-LBS

POSITIONS.

3. HOLE/SLOT PATTERNS IN PARTS ALLOW FOR

PRESS-IN BOLTS, WHERE PRESENT, TO BE INSTALLED TO MANUFACTURERS RECOMMENDED VALUES.

7. OTHER SPECIFIC CONNECTIONS ELSEWHERE IN

NECESSARY.

9. IN ALL DETAILS, THE PRESENCE OF TWO SETS OF HARDWARE INDICATES THE REQUIREMENT OF

10. STAINLESS STEEL HARDWARE MAY BE REPLACED WITH GALVANIZED STEEL HARDWARE OR CORROSION AND STRENGTH COMPARABLE

13. CONNECTION IN DETAIL A1 & A2 SHOWN IN NOMINAL POSITION. ACTUAL CONNECTION MAY BE ± 6 ".

14. WHEN CONNECTIONS IN DETAIL A1 & A2 ARE AT THEIR MAX/MIN POSITIONS $(\pm 2")$ INTERFERING SPLICE HARDWARE MAY BE RELOCATED TO NEXT NEAREST SLOTS.

15. WHERE PRESENT, TRANSVERSE BRACE MAY CONNECTIONS SHEET FOR MORE INFORMATION.

16. ZEE-TO-ZEE SPLICE SHALL ALWAYS OVERLAP

18. ZEE PURLIN MATERIAL AND FINISH ARE MANUFACTURED TO SPECIFICATIONS THAT MEET

22. LENGTH OF PURLIN VARIES BY PROJECT AND

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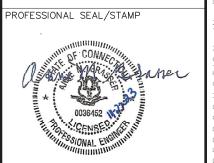
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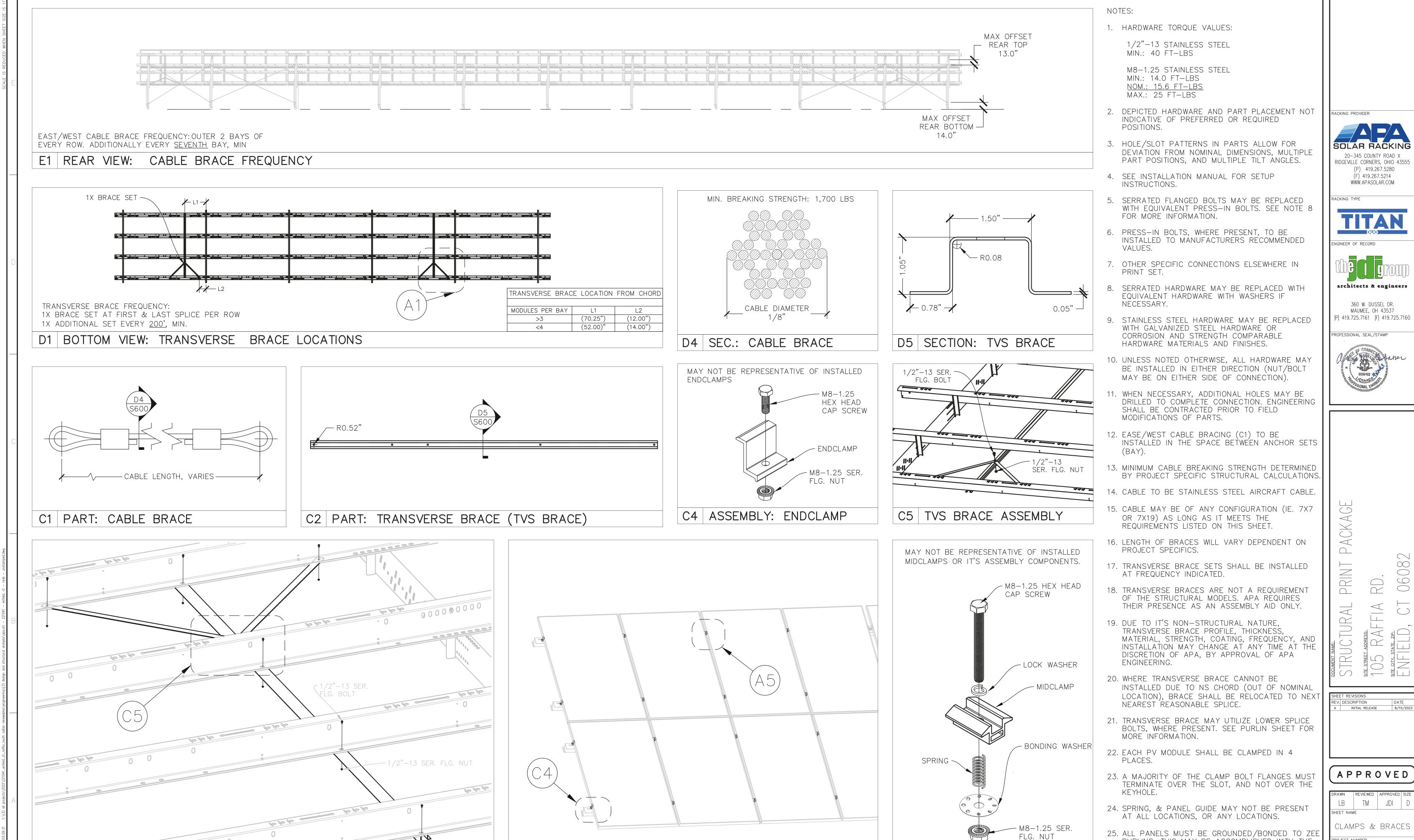


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A3 TOP (ISO) VIEW: PV CLAMP LOCATIONS

A1 CONNECTION: TVS BRACE-TO-PURLIN

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PURLINS. THIS MAY BE ACCOMPLISHED WITH THE

PANEL GUIDE, BONDING WASHERS, DYNOBOND

EQUIPMENT OR OTHER APPROVED GROUNDING

DEVICE.

A5 | ASSEMBLY: MIDCLAMP