

ANODE PERFORMANCE IN SERVICE CASE STUDIES

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Galvanic Systems

Key Points

- Primarily Used in USA
- Low Maintenance Requirements
- Various Systems Available
- Pre-Stressed Protection Simplification

Zinc Aluminium Indium Coating

- Completed in August 2003
- 320,000 Sq/ft
- 470 No. Pre-Stressed Beams
- 171 No. Pier Caps



San Luis Pass Galveston Texas USA

Zinc Aluminium Indium Coating

- Initial Current Density
4.4mA/m² to 6.9mA/m²
- 7 Year Current Density
0.49mA/m² to 1.27mA/m².
- Minor Defects
- CP Not Compromised
- No Corrosion Found



San Luis Pass Galveston Texas USA



Zinc Mesh Lifejacket & Metalized Zinc

Ketchikan, Alaska USA

- Completed in 2000
- Zinc Coating - Concrete Deck
- Zinc Mesh Lifejacket
 - Pile Caps Splash Zone/Upper Tidal
- Zinc Bulk Anode
 - Underwater Element of Piles



Sprayed Zinc & Lifejacket™



Typical Lifejacket™

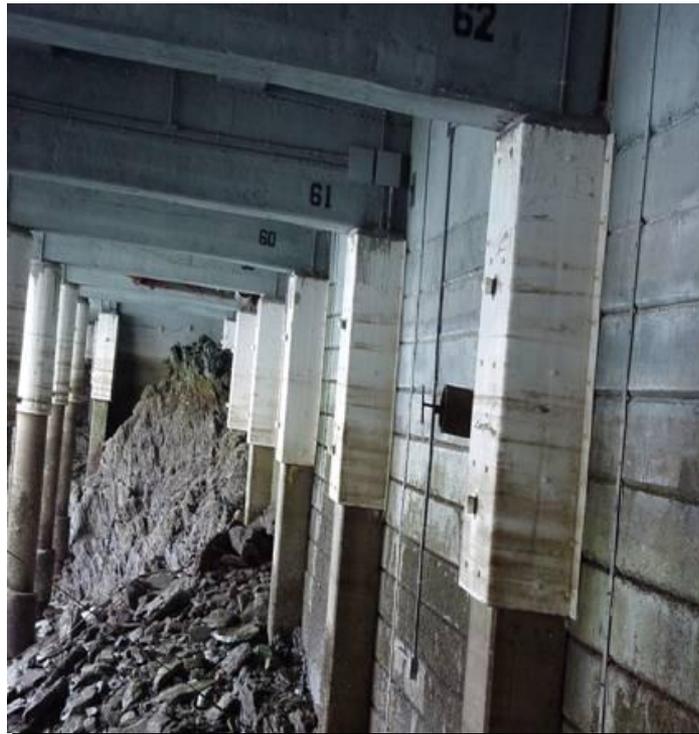
Zinc Mesh Lifejacket & Metalized Zinc

Location	Average Current Density	
	mA/m ²	mA/ft ²
Bulk Anodes		
Conventional Reinforced Piles	23	2.2
Pre-stressed Piles	2.5	0.24
Lifejackets		
Conventional Reinforced Piles	1.4	0.13
Pre-stressed Piles	0.58	0.054
Pile Caps	1.6	0.15
Thermal Sprayed Zinc		
Precast Conventionally Reinforced Deck	1.0	0.097
CIP Conventional Deck	0.36	0.033
CIP Conventional Deck w/Prestressed Beams	0.43	0.040

Initial Current Densities 2000

Zinc Mesh Lifejacket & Metalized Zinc

- Successful CP
- Low Maintenance Cost
- New Phase II of Works 2010
- No Corrosion Evident



Pilaster Lifejacket™

Impressed Current Cathodic Protection Systems Key Points

- Controllable Protection
- Monitoring System ALWAYS Installed
- Worldwide Acceptance
- Various Systems
- Long Term Durability

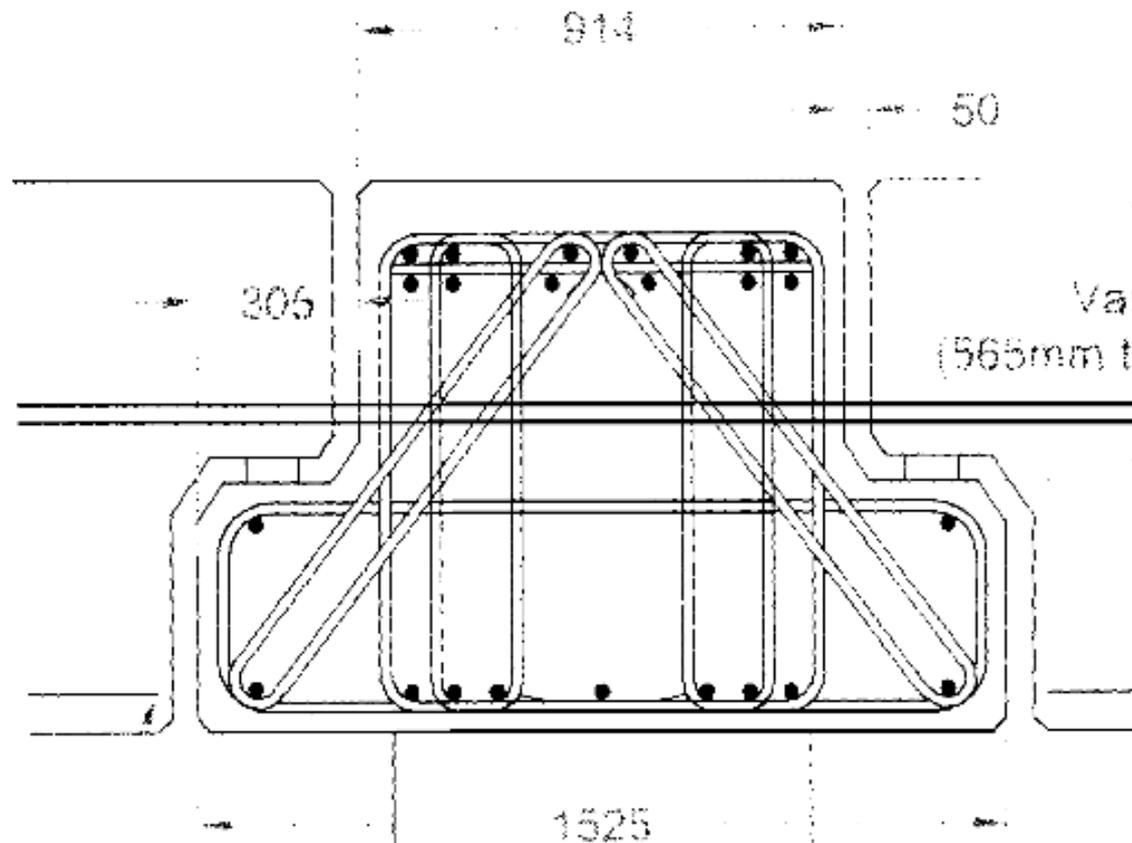
Titanium Mesh & Concrete Overlay

- January 2003
- High Chloride Levels 4.83% by weight of cement
- Three anode zones
Crosshead, Lower Column, Upper Column
- Type 300 Ti Mesh Crosshead
- Type 150 Columns
- 24 Reference Electrodes



Sedbergh Road Interchange Bridge UK

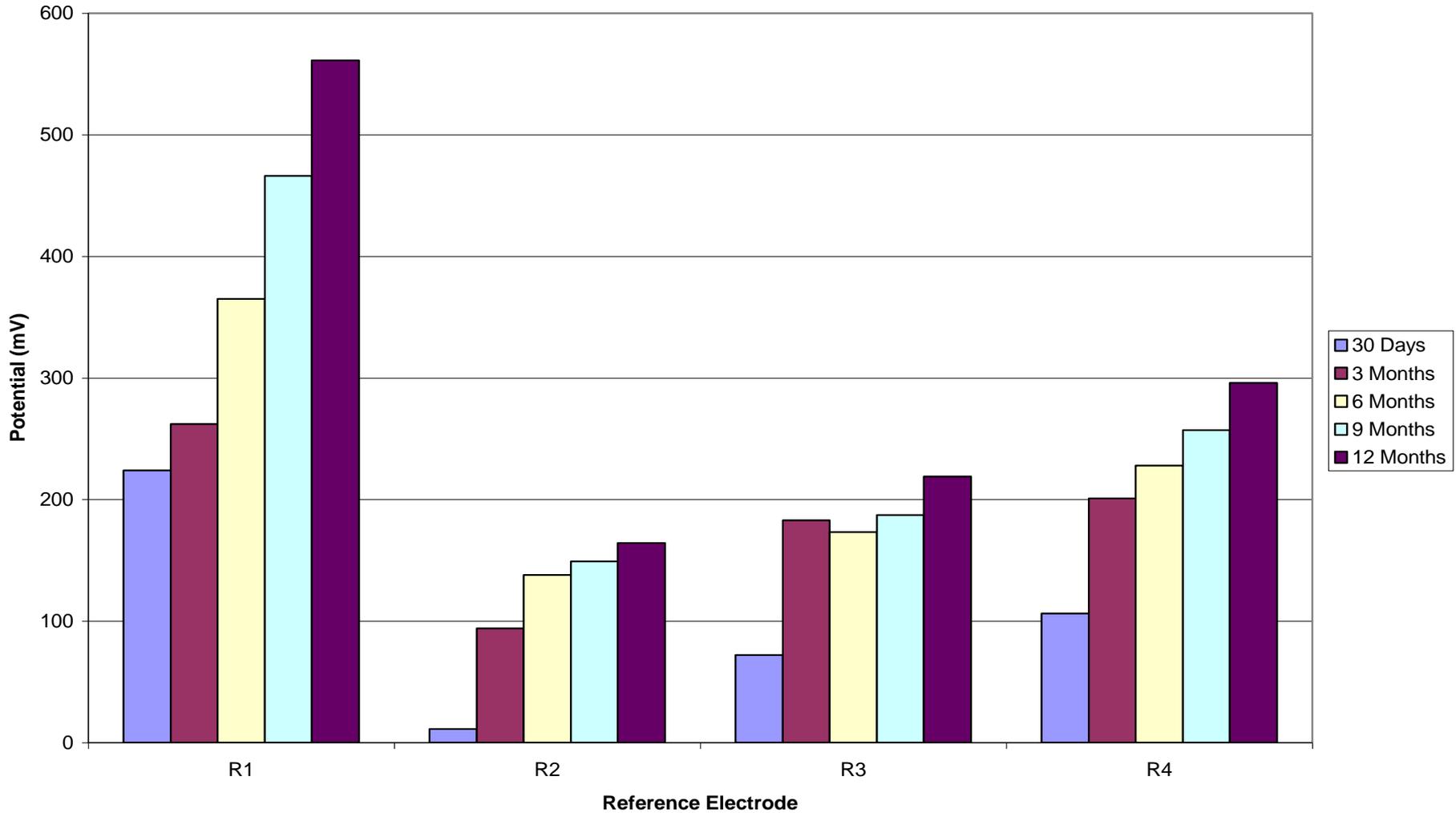
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- Inverted “T” Construction
- Steel/Concrete Area Ratio 5:1
- Protection Designed for Full Depth

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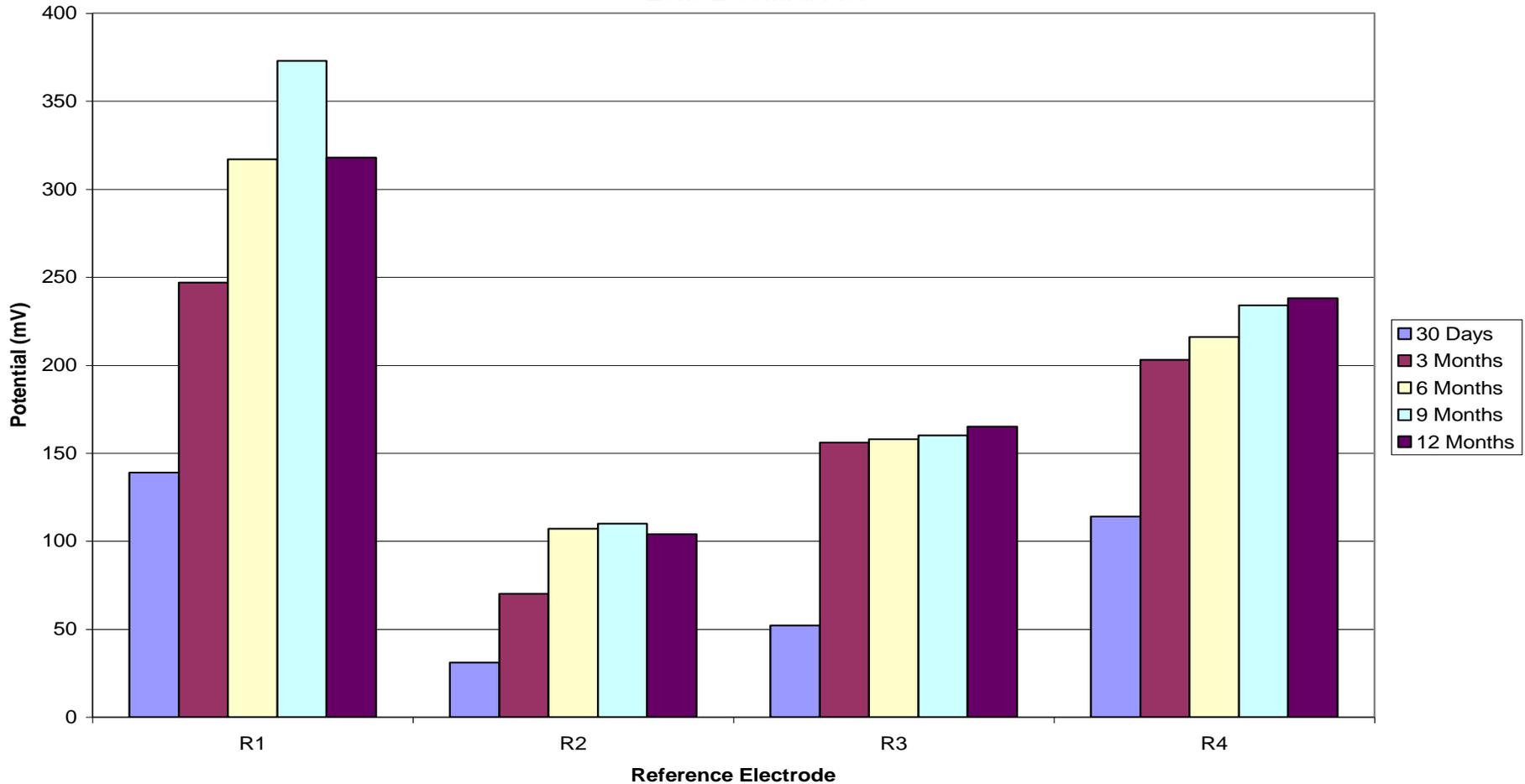
Polarisation Assessment Sedburgh Road Interchange
Zone 2 Central Pier



➤ R2 at 900mm Depth

Titanium Mesh & Concrete Overlay

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Titanium Mesh & Concrete Overlay



Seven Year Inspection of Anode System

- ✓ There are no reported defects in the anode system during the recent inspection carried out in 2010.
- ✓ Proven to be a very durable system based on design requirements and its atmospheric exposure

- Inverted “T” Construction
- Steel/Concrete Area Ratio 5:1
- Protection Designed for Full Depth
- Operating Current Densities High - Varied between 5.45mA/m^2 during the first year of operation and is now currently operating at 11.76mA/m^2

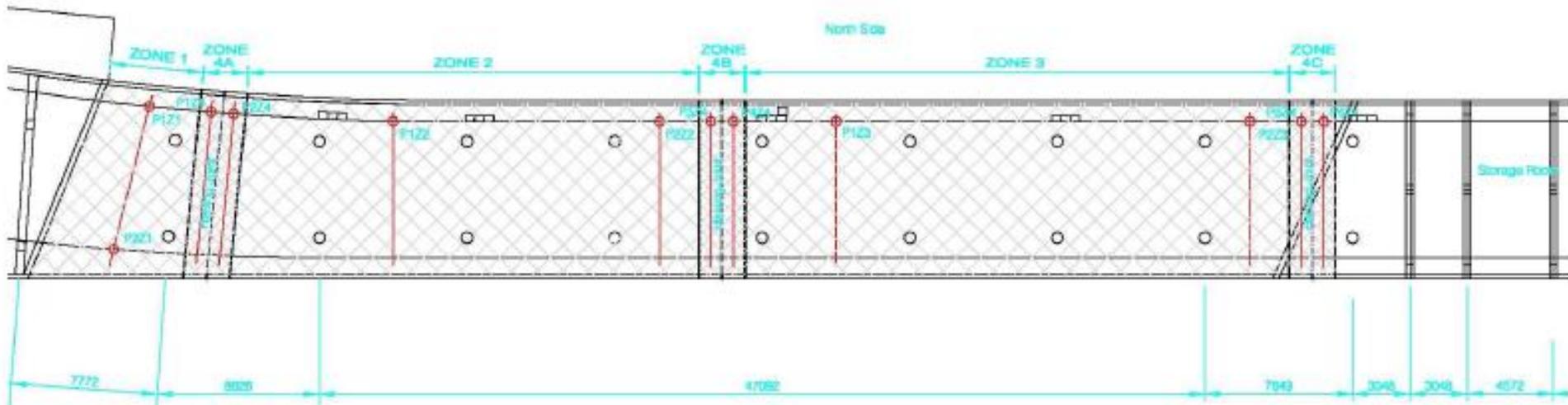
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Pier Approach Bournemouth UK

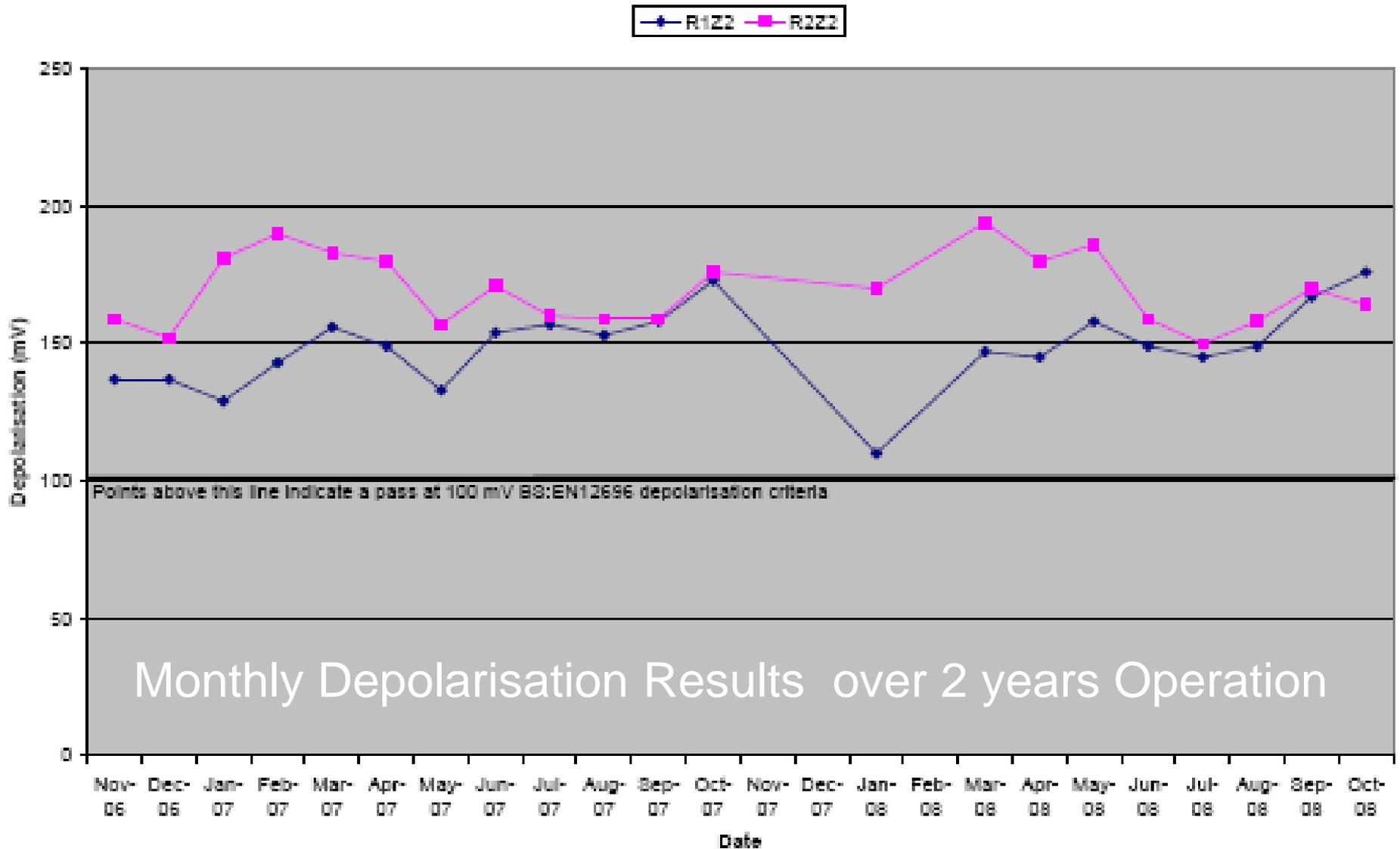
- December 2002
- Concrete Surface Area 616.7m²
- Four anode zones
- Anode Type LD25 Ti Mesh
- 8 Reference Electrode
- Marine Exposure

Titanium Mesh & Concrete Overlay



Zone Layout Across Construction Joints

Titanium Mesh & Concrete Overlay



Titanium Mesh & Concrete Overlay



Seven Year Surface Inspection of Overlay

- ✓ No defects in the anode system during the recent inspection carried out in 2010.
- ✓ Proven to be a very durable system based on design requirements and marine exposure

- ✓ Afforded adequate cathodic protection levels for the past 7 years.
- ✓ Current densities varied in the range of 1.45mA/m^2 during the first year of operation and are now currently operating at 13mA/m^2 .

Sprayed Zinc & Discrete Probe Anode



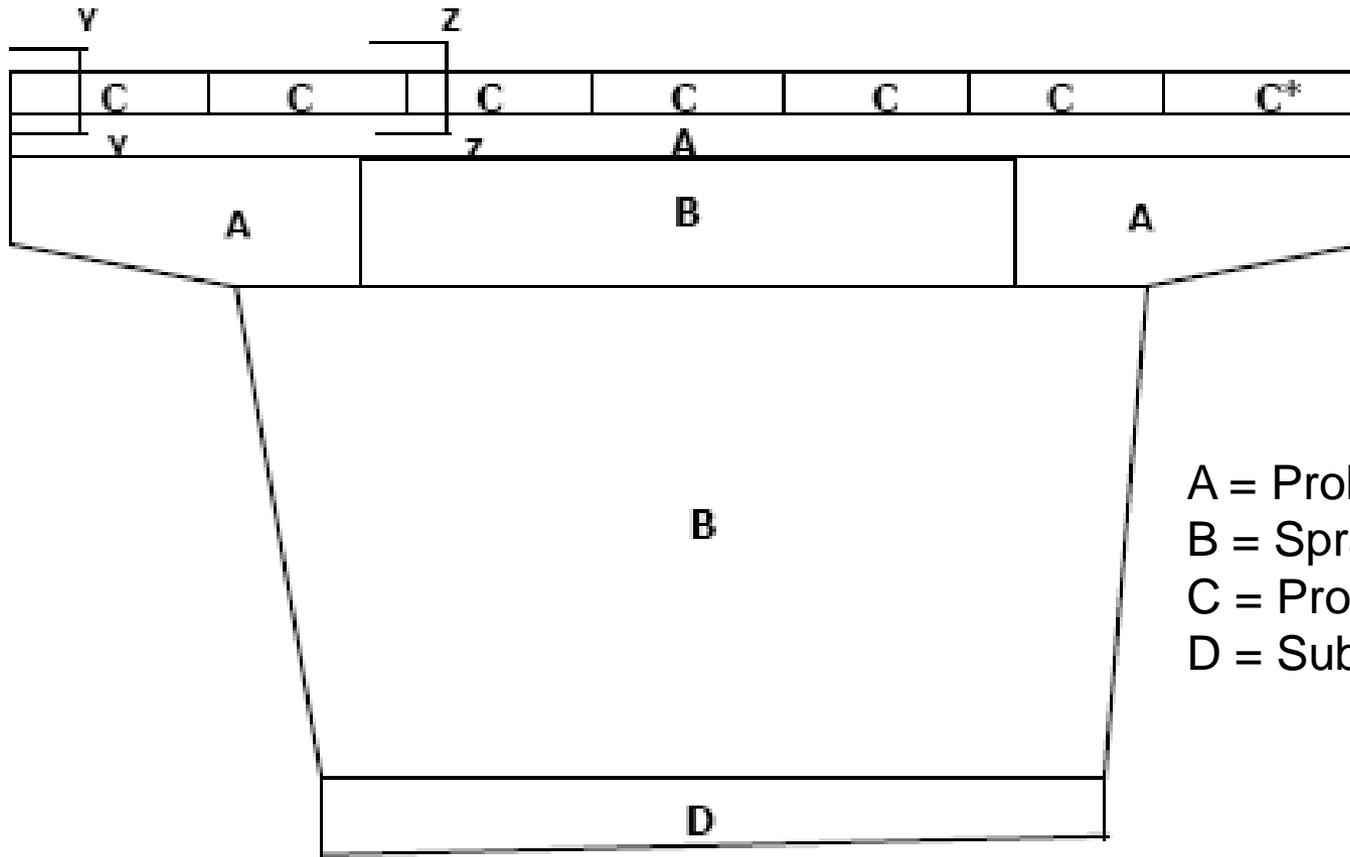
Golden Fleece Cumbria UK

- January 2003
- 4 Piers Protected
- 12 Anode Zones
- Various Anode Types
- 50 Reference Electrodes
- 32 Temperature & Humidity Sensors

Sprayed Zinc & Discrete Probe Anode

- CP Bearing Shelf/ Beam Ends by discrete anodes
 - A. Bearing shelf Ebonex 18mm x 200mm, 86 number
 - B. Beam Ends: Side Ebonex 18mm x 100mm, 100 number.
 - C. Beam End and Soffit: Ebonex 18mm x 75mm, 32 number
- CP Central pier by sprayed zinc.
- CP to Diaphragm by discrete anodes.
 - A. Ebonex Discrete anode 18mm x 100mm, 222 number
- Below ground section protected by tubular titanium ground bed anodes.
 - A. Total of 6 anodes at 25mm diameter x 250mm long rated at 2A continuously for 20 years per anode.

Sprayed Zinc & Discrete Probe Anode



- A = Probe Anodes
- B = Sprayed Zinc
- C = Probe Anodes
- D = Submerged Anode

Anode Zone layout Golden Fleece

Sprayed Zinc & Discrete Probe Anode



- Sprayed zinc thickness of $400\mu\text{m}$ - $500\mu\text{m}$.
- High purity zinc 99.9%
- Electric arc thermal spray.

- Constant current mode
- Current density of $5\text{mA}/\text{m}^2$.
- Current density reduced since energising



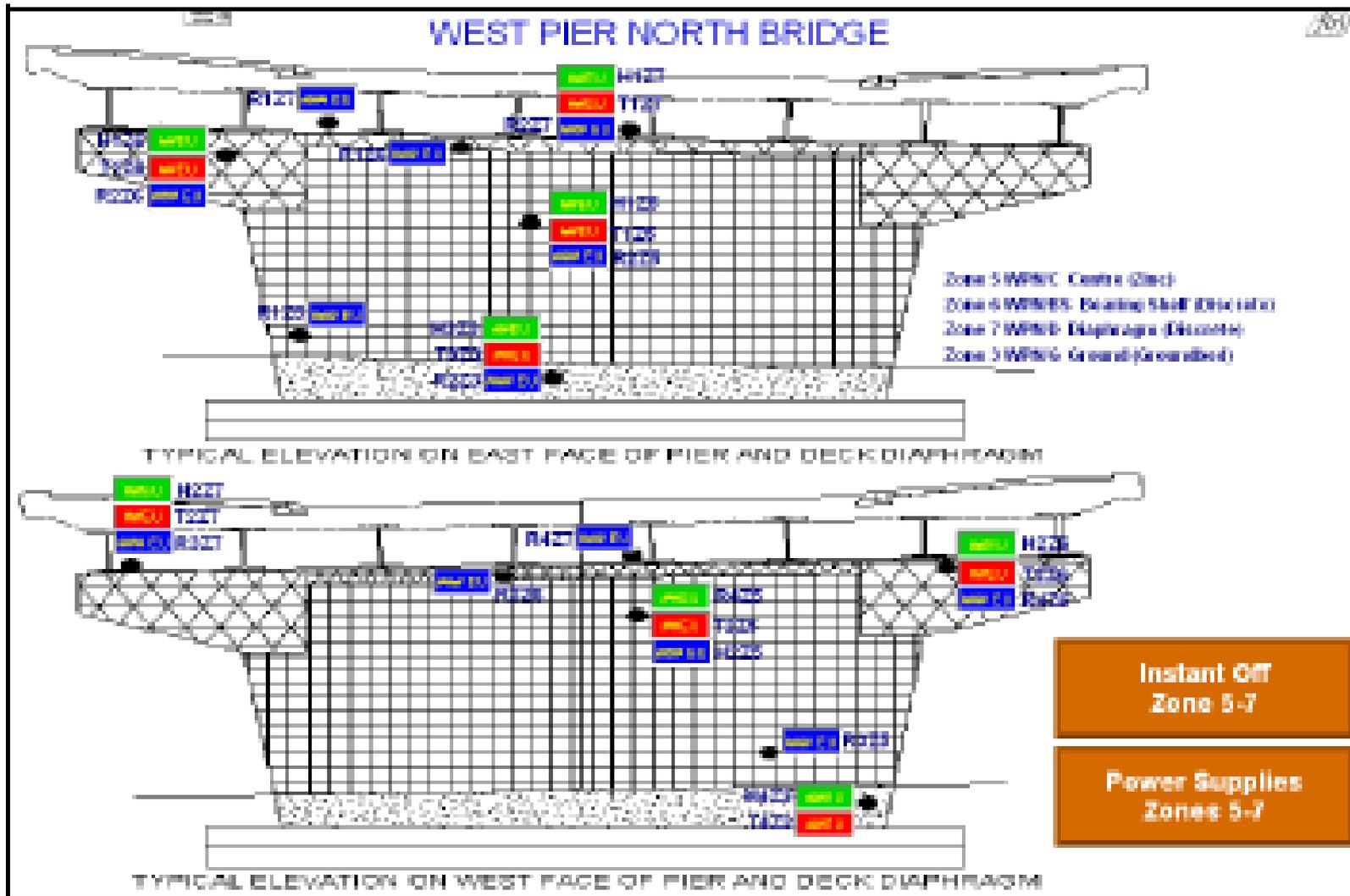
Sprayed Zinc & Discrete Probe Anode

Zinc		Discrete Anode	
Zone	mA/m²	Zone	mA/m²
1	1.53	2	3.51
5	4.76	4	0.97
8	0.75	6	3.11
10	0.54	7	2.31
		9	2.27
		11	3.91
		12	2.11

January 2010 Operating Current Density

- All Zones Requiring Lower Current Densities than at energising

Sprayed Zinc & Discrete Probe Anode



Screen Shot 1 Monitoring Probe Locations on West Pier North Bridge

Sprayed Zinc & Discrete Probe Anode



- Zinc De-bondment Found Caused by Low Resistivity Repair Material
- No Loss in Protection from De-bondment.
- No Noticeable Increase in De-bondment on Recent Inspection
- Probe Anode Extremely Effective
- Reduced Current Density Design Avoiding Acidification

Anode Failures Key Points

Engineering Design Essential
Product Sale NOT Appropriate
Can Be Avoided

Sends Wrong Message for Electrochemical
Repair Techniques

Anode Ribbon



- Marine structure
- Tidal Range 20ft
- Anode Ribbon Design
- Column Pile Protection



Anode Ribbon



Anode Ribbon

- Multiple Failures
- Poor Installation
- Low Cover Anode Connection $< 5\text{mm}$
- Major Acidification Due to Current Dumping
- pH of < 5 at Connection points
- Cover $> 40\text{mm}$ Connections Good



Surface Applied Zinc Sheet



- Coastal Structure
- Balcony Protection
- Chloride Problem
- Zinc Sheet Design
- Two Types of Covering Used. Tile & Deck Coating



Surface Applied Zinc Sheet



Deck Coating

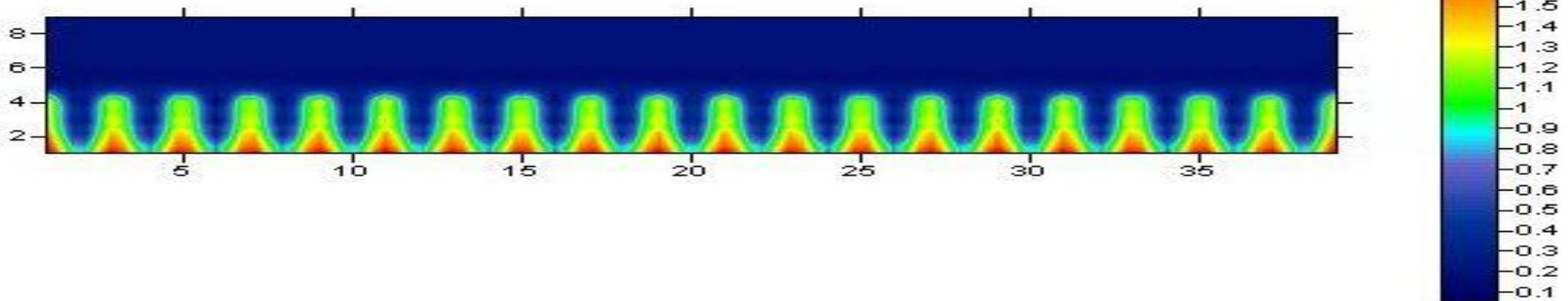
- Failure on Both Surface Finishes

Ceramic Tile



Surface Applied Zinc Sheet

- Blistering of Surface Coating
- Jacking of Surface Tiling
- Non Breathable System
- Large Moisture Vapour could not escape
- Product Sale
- Little to No Engineering Carried Out
- Current Mapping Not Understood



CONCLUSIONS

- ❖ A series of critical items need to be addressed when utilising cathodic protection for corrosion related damage.
- ❖ Ensure that the anode is suitable for its environment.
- ❖ Its Capable of being installed correctly
- ❖ And Maintained in accordance with international standards

- ❖ Qualified Engineers are used for design
- ❖ Qualified Installation Contractors are Used
- ❖ Allow Sufficient Cost for qualified QA/QC during Works