

Seismic Requirements for Arch, Mech, and Elec. Components

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Presentation Outline

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Purpose

- **New Criteria (UFC)**
- **Plans and Specs conflict**
- **Design vs. Performance Spec**
- **Least design attention, Most RFI's**
- **Criteria conflict/confusion**
- **Circular references**
- **Roles & Responsibilities not clear**



Criteria Overview

- **UFC 1-200-01 (Gen. Bldg. Req.)**
- **UFC 3-310-01 (Structural Load Data)**
- **UFC 3-310-04 (Draft Seismic Design)**
- **IBC 2003**
- **ASCE 7-02**
- **UFGS**
- **FEMA, NEHRP, TI 809-04?**



UFC 1-200-01

- **“Design: General Building Requirements”**
- **20 June 2005 (supercedes 31 July 2002)**
- **Rescinds TI-809-04**
- **Directs IBC 2003 for Seismic**
- **Directs UFC 3-310-01 for site data and bldg category**
- **Directs Seismic design per IBC Chapter 16 as modified by UFC 3-310-04.**



IBC 2003, Chap. 16

- **Section 1621** “A/M/E Component Seismic Design Requirements”
- Directs to use **ASCE 7-02, Section 9.6**, “A/M/E Components and Systems”
 - Based on NEHRP 2000 (FEMA 368)



UFC 3-310-01

- **“Structural Load Data”**
- **25 May 2005**
- **S_s, S₁ values for CONUS/OCONUS installations**
- **New SUG IV and Occupancy Category V**



UFC 3-310-04

- “Seismic Design for Buildings”
- 24 June 2005 (*draft*)
- Modifications to IBC 2003, Chap 16
- In general, Supplemental Info and Optional Designs
- Provides criteria for new SUG IV “Strategic Assets”



UFC 3-310-04

- **App B: Modifications to IBC Chap 16.**
- **App C: Alternate, Simple Systems**
- **App D: Alternate, for SUG III**
- **App E: Design for SUG IV**
- **App F: Guidance for A/M/E Components**



UFC 3-310-04, App B

- **Modifications to IBC Chap 16.**
- **A/M/E Comp: Additions to ASCE 7, Section 9.**
- **Generally, adds wording for SUG IV requirements**
- **“All provisions for components having an $I_p=1.5$ shall also apply to SUG IV components.**



UFC 3-310-04, App C

- **“Simplified Alternative Structural Design Criteria for Simple Bearing Wall or Building Frame Systems”**
- **Simplifies Lateral Force Analysis Procedure**
- **No change for A/M/E components, same as conventional analysis**



UFC 3-310-04, App D

- **Alternate Design Procedure for SUG III**
- **Optional non-linear analysis**
- **May provide more economical designs**
- **Apply only with approval of authorizing design agency**
- **Modifies ASCE 7, Sec 9.6 equations considering MCE and SE, using NSP and NDP.**



UFC 3-310-04, App E

- **Design for SUG IV**
- **i.e. Key defense assets & NBC facilities**
- **Components remain elastic, operational, for MCE**
- **ASCE 4-98, “Seismic Analysis of Safety-Related Nuclear Structures”.**
- **A/M/E components based on in-structure response spectra, developed from models of primary structures and MCE.**



UFC 3-310-04, App E

- **Classify all components as MC1, MC2, or NMC**
- **MC1: Mission Critical, operable immediately. Certified.**
- **MC2: Mission Critical, minor damage (repair in 3 days).**
- **NMC: Non-mission critical, will not have falling hazards or impede egress.**



UFC 3-310-04, App F

- **Guidance for A/M/E Components**
- **The “Commentary to ASCE 7-02, Section 9.6”**
- **Details for veneer, floor mounts, suspended systems, and pipe supports**
- **Walk-down inspections and equipment qualifications (III, IV)**



UFC vs. ASCE

- **ASCE**: A/M/E Comp. design based on SDC and I_p .
- **UFC**: A/M/E Comp. design based on **SUG**
- **SUG**: I, II, III, IV (Bldg importance)
- **SDC**: A, B, C...SDC is a function of **SUG**, Site Class (A, B...), and Ground Motion (S_s , S_1)
- **I_p** : Component Importance Factor (1.0, 1.5)



UFC vs. ASCE

- **ASCE:** Ip of the component determines if design is necessary
- **UFC:** Implies that SUG III, IV of the bldg applies to the components as well.

Example: Fire station, Camp Dodge, IA
SUG=III, $S_s=0.07$, $S_1=0.04$, Site Class=D
>>>SDC=A<<<



UFC vs. ASCE

SUG	III	III	III	III
SDC	C	C	A	A
I_p	1.0	1.5	1.0	1.5
ASCE	Exempt	Design	Exempt	Exempt
UFC	Design	Design	Design	Design



Design Considerations

- **In-house, Government designer**
- **A/E designed**
- **Contractor designed**



Design Considerations

In-house, A/E Design

- Based on assumed equipment and layout
- Objective/defined
- One detail for all cases
- Consider for small/simple projects

Contractor (A/E hired)

- Based on as-built condition
- Subjective/debatable
- Can choose best for job
- Burden/cost for small companies



Project Documents

- **Coordinate with specs**
- **Coordinate with other disciplines**
- **What is intent of showing details?**
- **Fully designed, or suggested details?**
- **Add notes to cover contingencies**
- **Quality Assurance (see next track)**
 - **ASCE 7-02, Table 9.6.1.7**
 - **Walk down inspections**
 - **Component certification**
 - **Roles of inspectors/EOR/owner**



Specifications

- Currently reference TI-809-04, FEMA 302
- SUG, but not SDC
- Ip needs to be defined
- **01492**: Special Inspection for Seismic-Resisting Systems
- **13080**: Seismic Protection for Misc. Equip.
 - Used as baseline for 15070 and 16070.
 - Misc. Equipment or Architectural?
 - Items not covered: partitions, veneer, ceilings
- **15070**: Seismic Protection for Mech. Equip.
- **16070**: Seismic Protection for Elec. Equip.



Future Directions

- Review draft UFC (3-310-04).
 - Clarify SUG vs. SDC, Ip.
 - Tools, checklists, flowcharts (App G)
- Update Specs (13080, 15070, 16070).
 - Incorporate IBC & UFC
 - Establish multi-discipline proponents
 - Master Spec
- Communities of practice (CoP).
 - Arch, Mech, Elec, and Struct.



Questions?

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