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## Bill Spitzer & Associates Increased Grouting Efficiency to Save the Client Time and Costs

Date: July to September 2021

Location: Gulf Coast Texas Petrochemical Facility

#### Escoweld 7505E/7530 Epoxy Grout:

3-Component and highly flowable epoxy grout. This epoxy grout can be pumped and has one of the lowest thermal expansion rates of 14.6 x 10<sup>-6</sup>. For this project, compressive strengths surpassed 15,000 psi.

#### **On-Site Technical Grouting Guidance:**

A Bill Spitzer & Associates (BSA) subject matter expert was on-site to supervise the mixing and placing of Escoweld epoxy grout. Additionally, reviewed the site for compliance with API 686, ACI 351, and facility specifications. Hot temperatures were a concern; however, those were avoided by tenting and cooling the equipment system environment and grout. After one day, BSA realized wasted time in the grout mixing and placing process. A new procedure was introduced and followed to increase the efficiency and show the value of BSA on-site guidance for the contractor.

### **Bill Spitzer & Associates Values Provided**

- Escalated hourly units placed by 30%
- Saved 98.1 hours of labor
- Advised new grouting procedure
  - Broadened schedule flexibility
    - \* Created economical & efficient solutions
    - \* Reinforced jobsite safety & ergonomics

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