

**American Railway Engineering and Maintenance of Way Association  
Letter Ballot**

**Title: Update to SECTION 3.1.7.1 Genral**

1. **Committee and Subcommittee:** Committee 30 – Subcommittee 3
2. **Letter Ballot Number:** 30-22-01
3. **Assignment:** 3.3 Tie Test and the Economics of Service Life
4. **Ballot Item:** In an effort to review and revise Section 3 of Chapter 30 Subcommittee 3 would like to submit this ballot proposing an update to 3.1.7.1 General. This change is for clarification.
5. **Rationale:** Subcommittee 3 believes that the current recommendations needs to be updated to currently protocols.

**3.1.7.1 General**

**CURRENT**

- b. Anti-splitting devices designed to control the splitting of ties should be applied prior to or at the time the ties are delivered to the treating plant.

**PROPOSED**

- a. **While anti-splitting devices designed to control the splitting of ties can be applied at any time, it is recommended they be applied prior to or at the time the ties are delivered to the treating plant, prior to air-seasoning our boultenizing in order to maximize their effectiveness.**