1. **Committee and Subcommittee:** Committee 7, Timber Structures; Subcommittee 3, Construction, maintenance and inspection of wood bridges and trestles.

2. **Letter Ballot Number:** 07-19-06

3. **Assignment:** C3-1-14 Review and update Parts 4 and 5 and associated commentary of Chapter 7.

4. **Ballot Item:** Modify Paragraph 4.4 (i)

5. **Rationale:** Fasteners should be installed in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations. Some manufacturers allow driving screw type fasteners with a sledge hammer or other striking tool.

6. **Vote:** Approve_________ Disapprove_________ Abstain_________

   *Note: If you have a conflict of interest on the topic being considered, you must mark the ballot "Abstain."

7. **Comments:** Comments must be provided when voting to disapprove or abstain. Use additional space on back or attach sheet as necessary.

8. **Voting Deadline:** Please vote ONLINE. If you are unable to vote online, please e-mail your ballot to Stephanie Swanson at stephanie.swanson@bnsf.com. The deadline to vote is December 20th, 2019.

9. **Signature:** I have read the regulations Governing AREMA Technical Committees and have complied with all its requirements.

   Signed: ______________________ Name (Please Print): _____________________________

   Date: ________________________ E-mail (if changed): _____________________________

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Proposed changes as follows:

Deleted text noted by strikethrough.
Added text shown in red.

Revise Paragraph 4.4 (i) as follows:

SECTION 4.4 FRAMING OF TIMBER

i. Screw-type fastenings shall be screwed into place for the entire length of the fastening. Unless it is recommended by the manufacturer, driving with a sledge hammer maul or other striking tool should will not be permitted.