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The injection of near-water-viscosity liquids into

For

- Solidifying sandy soil
- Controlling erosion of sand cliffs
- Stabilizing slopes and excavations
- Stabilizing foundations and tunnel headings
- Reducing the liquefaction potential of sandy soils
- Controlling or shutting off groundwater seepage



Chemical grouting is the injection of one or more near-water-viscosity liquids into a cohesionless soil to create an impervious sandstone-like mass, as shown in Figure 1. Because chemical grouting literally creates "instant sandstone" as tough as that of mother nature, it is one of the most successful techniques available today for stabilizing soils and controlling groundwater. The applications of chemical grouting are almost endless, and new uses are documented almost daily.

In many cases, chemical grouting offers substantial advantages over other techniques for stabilizing soils or controlling groundwater, e.g., economy, simplicity, flexibility, risk reduction, less noise, and minimal accessibility requirements.

The successful use of the technique requires knowledge and skill to analyze the soil and determine the optimum chemical system, pressure, gel time, and other variables. For more than 45 years, The Pressure Grout Company has provided chemical grouting services. We have designed our own specialized mixing and grouting equipment, conducted research on numerous chemical combinations, and developed more than 15 different chemical systems for a wide range of applications.

Applications

Chemical grouting is used for stabilizing foundations, underpinning structures, plugging tunnel leaks, creating impervious grout curtains, and other applications where the control or shutoff of groundwater or the solidification of sand or fissured rock is required above or below the water table in fresh-water or saltwater environments.

The Pressure Grout Company has successfully used chemical grouting for applications, such as

Solidification of sandy soils and fissured rock for

- ▲ Underpinning foundations
- ▲ Providing support for excavations
- ▲ Stabilizing tunnel headings
- ▲ Preventing surface settlement
- ▲ Stabilizing slopes
- ▲ Controlling erosion
- ▲ Reducing liquefaction potential
- ▲ Creating sandstone anchors for tiebacks and tiedowns

Groundwater shutoff for

- ▲ Structures
- Excavations
- ▲ Fissured rock
- ▲ Tunnels and tunnel linings
- ▲ Pipelines and sheet piling
- Dams and landfills



Figure 1

Underpinning Foundations

For existing foundations, chemical grouting can be used to increase the load-bearing capacity of an underlying soil, prevent settlement, or reduce the potential for soil liquefaction during a seismic event. The injected chemical grout combines with the soil to form a "sandstone" footing or a pier capable of transferring loads to lower strata, as shown in Figure 2. Such injections can form columnar piers, 3 to 5 feet in diameter, thereby underpinning existing foundations.

Anchoring Tiebacks

Chemical grouting is used to form "sandstone" masses that provide the necessary anchorage requirements for tiebacks or tiedowns in coĥesionless soils. The technique is also highly effective in producing large bulkheads that provide the load-carrying capacity for tiebacks.

Supporting Excavations

There are at least three general ways in which chemical grouting can be used to support excavations, i.e., by providing a gravity wall of solidified soil, by solidifying soil in conjunction with another method of lateral support, and through minimal grouting to prevent sand sloughing and/or water seepage through the lagging, as shown in Figure 2. If conditions permit, the sides of an excavation can be cut back to a suitable slope, and a grout blanket produced on the surface of the slope to prevent erosion and surface sloughing

Controlling Groundwater

Chemical grouting has been successfully used to shutoff the seepage of groundwater into tunnels, basements, excavations, and pipelines. Permanent or temporary shutoffs can be accomplished by using different chemical systems. The Pressure Grout Company has been involved in hundreds of water shutoff jobs, involving a wide spectrum of applications and conditions.

Other Applications

There are numerous other applications of chemical grouting, including a reduction in the liquefaction potential of sandy soils, seating interlocks of sheet piling, controlling erosion of sand cliffs, and seepage.

Equipment

The Pressure Grout Company has designed and built specialized mixing, pumping, and injection



GROUT INJECTIONS FOR WATER SHUTOFF, UNDERPINNING, SAND **SLOUGHING AND LATERAL SUPPORT**

Figure 2

equipment for chemical grouting. This equipment can be operated at distances several hundred feet from the injection site. The work of The Pressure Grout Company on a chemical grouting assignment



Figure 3

The Pressure Grout Company

The Pressure Grout Company can provide solutions to your soil and groundwater problems. If your project requires a unique application, our staff can help find a suitable grouting method and develop effective field applications. Our ideas, experience, and chemical systems can make the difference.

We have extensive experience in all types of chemical grouting for site development, new construction, and the stabilization of existing structures. We work closely with owners, engineering firms, contractors, and public agencies throughout the United States. We

- ▲ Build, operate, and maintain our own equipment
- ▲ Have one of the few research and development laboratories for grout materials and mixes
- ▲ Have a staff that includes engineers with extensive knowledge and experience in soils engineering
- ▲ Are licensed contractors and members of the Associated General Contractors
- ▲ Have broad, in-depth grouting experience that extends over a period of more than 45 years

We know and understand your problems, and welcome your inquiries:

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