I am designing a 12-story concentrically braced steel frame building. The Seismic Design Category is C. I'm taking R=3, so the AISC Seismic Provisions are not applicable. What's more economical: HSS field-welded braces or W-shape field-bolted braces?

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