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SFOBB East-Span  
Seismic Retrofit  
Project (SAS)

Resident Engineer  
(Field)  
DAILY REPORT

Date: Week of August 18,  
2008

**Monday, August 18, 2008**

Attended Champions meeting and requested 1) an update on moving forward with a ME to complete the design of the traveler mechanism and 2) requested project management to take the lead in working through the various issues related to changes and obtaining permits for the tower elevator.

Meeting held with ABF and Oakland regarding the contractor's proposal to install dolphin fender piles at Pier 7 to aid in anchoring delivery ships and barges. I did not attend.

Routine Team China teleconference not held today. Rather, at 4:30pm, held a teleconference with Rickl Land. Pete did not participate as he was very sick with high fever. Reviewed tack weld crack issue, penetrations omitted from tower skin A, lift 1, and status of OBG dimensional control.

**Tuesday, August 19, 2008**

Learned later in the evening that ZPMC was proceeding with installation of "super" deck panels, despite the Department's directive to suspend operations related to installation of diaphragms on superpanels.

**Wednesday, August 20, 2008**

At focus leads core group meeting this morning, the following topics were discussed:

- Fabrication issues and in particular the deck panel tack weld issue.
- Review the status of the work from the various teams.

**Thursday, August 21, 2008**

Bi-weekly safety meeting followed by all staff meeting.

Forwarded an advance copy of State Letter 2576, regarding OBG dimensional control concerns, to ABF via email.

At Team China teleconference, discussed preparing a letter outlining the Department's contractual view of the tack weld crack issue.

**Friday, August 22, 2008**

Issued ATP to further define the scope of CCO 91, Additional NDT testing, and distributed advance copy to ABF via email.

Began preparing a draft letter regarding suspension of the work and contractual obligations related to tack weld cracks.

**Saturday, August 23, 2008**

Completed draft of letter related to suspension due to tack weld cracks and forwarded to Construction managers for review and comment.

  
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