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Contract #: 04-0120E4  
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**QUALITY ASSURANCE - NONCONFORMANCE REPORT**

**Location:** E2West Foundation

**Date:** 04-05-07

**Prime Contractor:** Kiewit/FCI/Manson-KFM-JV

**NCR #154**

**Submitting Contractor:** Kiewit/FCI/Manson-KFM-JV

**Type of problem:**

- Welding**  **Concrete**  **Other**
- Welding:**  **Curing:**  **Procedural:**  **Bridge No.** 34-0006 L / R
- Joint fit-up:**  **Coating:**  **Other:**  **Component:** E2E foundation footing
- Procedural:**  **Procedural:**

**Description of Non-Conformance:**

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**Applicable reference:** AWS D1.5-2002, Section 6.26

**Who discovered the problem:** QA Inspector Rick Bettencourt

**Name of individual from Contractor notified:** Quality Control Manager, Kevin Carpenter

**Time and method of notification:** 04/05/07 at approximately 1330 via telephone notification

**Name of Caltrans Engineer notified:** Mark Vilcheck and Saman Soheilifard, Structure Representative and Assistant Structure Representative

**Time and method of notification:** 1425 hours April 5, 2007 in person (Soheilifard), 1200 hours April 6, 2007 (Vilcheck)

**QC Inspector's Name:** Dan Smith

**Was the QC Inspector aware of problem:** No

**Contractor's proposal to correct the problem:** Unknown

**Comments:** This report is for the purpose of determining general conformance with the contract documents and is not for the purpose of making repair or fit for purpose recommendations. Should you require recommendations concerning repairs or remedial efforts please contact Ryan Smith, (858) 232-6799, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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## Memorandum

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To: MARK VILCHECK  
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Date: February 21, 2007  
File: 04-0120E4  
E2/T1 Foundations

From: RYAN T. SMITH  
Structural Materials Representative  
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If you have any questions, or would like to discuss the issues, please call me at (858) 232-6799.

cc: Rafael Bolon  
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*closed by Rick JS on 6/15/07*

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