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QUALITY ASSURANCE - NONCONFORMANCE REPORT

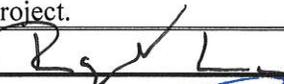
Location: E2W Pile Head Connection Plates (PHCP) 3A-3**Date:** 04-20-07 Fri**Prime Contractor:** Kiewit/FCI/Manson-KFM-JV**NCR #157****Submitting Contractor:** Kiewit/FCI/Manson-KFM-JV**Type of problem:****Welding** **Concrete** **Other** **Welding:** **Curing:** **Procedural:** **Bridge No.** 34-0006 L / R**Joint fit-up:** **Coating:** **Other:** **Component:** E2W foundation footing**Procedural:** **Procedural:** Loss of preheat temperature

Description of Non-Conformance: The Contractor failed to maintain the preheat temperature during the welding of E2W pile head connection plate (PHCP) as required by Caltrans Special Provisions, Section 10-1.31, Field Welding of Pile/Sleeve Connection Plates, Line F. The loss in preheat occurred on PHCP pile 3, plate A, weld-3 there were several subsequent weld passes which were deposited prior to the loss of heat. The Contractor elected to leave the weld passes in place, bring the weld up to the required minimum preheat temperature and perform magnetic particle testing prior to welding.

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Who discovered the problem: QC inspector Dan Smith**Name of individual from Contractor notified:** KFM Weld Superintendent, Dennis Winter**Time and method of notification:** 04/20/07 at approximately 1030 via verbal notification.**Name of Caltrans Engineer notified:** Caltrans Structures Representative, Mark Vilcheck**Time and method of notification:** 11:00 verbal**QC Inspector's Name:** Dan Smith**Was the QC Inspector aware of problem:** Yes**Contractor's proposal to correct the problem:** As noted above.

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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Quality Assurance Inspector

Reviewed By: Albert Carreon 

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July 19, 2007

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SAS T1 & E2 Foundations
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Letter No. 05.003.01-003308

Subject: Response to KFM Letter No. 286 (Request for Preheat Loss Investigation)

Dear Dan,

The Department has reviewed Kiewit-FCI-Manson (KFM) Letter No. 286 dated July 3, 2006, which provided a description of the occurrences, locations, causes and remedial measures taken by the Contractor, for two NCRs dated April 8, 2007, two NCRs dated April 20, 2007, and an NCR dated April 23, 2007, all for failures to maintain pre-heat during welding at Pier E2. KFM Letter No. 286 responded to the Department's Letter Nos. 3065, 3066, 3067, 3068, and 3069, all dated April 30, 2007. The Department understands that the Contractor has taken preventive measures to ensure that installation issues and equipment problems related to the Contractor's failure to maintain pre-heat. The Department considers the two NCRs dated April 8, 2007, the two NCRs dated April 20, 2007, and the NCR dated April 23, 2007, to be resolved.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mark Woods at (510) 622-5107.

Sincerely,

Mark P. Woods
Senior Bridge Engineer

For: Pedro J. Sanchez
Resident Engineer

cc: M. Vilcheck
P. Sanchez
M. Woods
R. Smith

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