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**QUALITY ASSURANCE -- NON-CONFORMANCE REPORT**


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**Location:** Job Site**Report No:** NCR-000052**Prime Contractor:** MCM Construction, Inc.**Date:** 28-Feb-2008**Submitting Contractor:** MCM Construction, Inc.**NCR #:** NCR-000052**Type of problem:**

<b>Welding</b>	<b>Concrete</b>	<b>Other</b>	
<b>Welding</b>	<b>Curing</b>	<b>Procedural</b>	<b>Bridge No:</b> 34-0006
<b>Joint fit-up</b>	<b>Coating</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Component:</b> Shear rings at E19L-6
<b>Procedural</b>	<b>Procedural</b>	<b>Description:</b> Failure to maintain the minimum required preheat.	

**Reference Description:****Description of Non-Conformance:**

The QA Inspector observed MCM welding personnel James Lewis at 1600 failed to maintain preheat/interpass temperature at weld #3 for the shear ring to pile designated E19L-6. During the observation of the non-conformance production welding was being performed on the filler weld passes. The loss of preheat occurred at the entire length of the weld joint. The QA Inspector verified the preheat/interpass temperature utilizing the required temperature indicating markers and noted the temperature within the weld zone was greater than 225°F, but less than 250°F.

**Applicable reference:**

Caltrans Special Provisions Field Welding Note J.

AWS D1.1 2006, Table 3.2, Category C

**Who discovered the problem:** Caltrans QA Inspector William Clifford**Name of individual from Contractor notified:** MCM Welding Foreman Marco Torres**Time and method of notification:** 1615 in person**Name of Caltrans Engineer notified:** Caltrans Assistant Structures Representative Mark Baker**Time and method of notification:** 1620 by telephone**QC Inspector's Name:** Joselito Lizardo**Was QC Inspector aware of the problem:** Yes No**Contractor's proposal to correct the problem:**

Unknown.

**Comments:**

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**Inspected By:** Clifford, William

**Reviewed By:** Levell, Bill

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Contract #: 04-0120L4Cty: SF/ALA Rte: 80 PM: 1.6/2.7File #: xx.25A**QUALITY ASSURANCE -- NON-CONFORMANCE RESOLUTION****Location:** Job Site**Report No:** NCS-000037**Prime Contractor:** MCM Construction, Inc.**Date:** 06-Mar-2008**Submitting Contractor:** MCM Construction, Inc.**NCR #:** NCR-000052**Type of problem:**

<b>Welding</b>	<b>Concrete</b>	<b>Other</b>	
<b>Welding</b>	<b>Curing</b>	<b>Procedural</b>	<b>Bridge No:</b> 34-0006
<b>Joint fit-up</b>	<b>Coating</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Component:</b>
<b>Procedural</b>	<b>Procedural</b>	<b>Description:</b>	

**Date the Non-Conformance Report was written:** 28-Feb-2008**Description of Non-Conformance:**

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

See below under corrective action taken. In addition, the contractor has submitted a request for information (RFI) numbered 288.

**Corrective action taken:**

Restore the minimum required preheat of 300 degrees F, perform magnetic particle testing of the weld and continue welding.

**Did corrective action require Engineer's approval?** Yes No**If so, name of Engineer providing approval:** Per RFI response 288**Date:****Is Engineer's approval attached?** Yes No**Comments:**

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**Inspected By:** Foerder, Michael

Quality Assurance Inspector

**Reviewed By:** Levell, Bill

QA Reviewer