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Contract #: 04-0120F4Cty: SF/ALA Rte: 80 PM: 13.2/13.9File #: 1.28**WELDING INSPECTION REPORT****Resident Engineer:** Siegenthaler, Peter**Address:** 333 Burma Road**City:** Oakland, CA 94607**Report No:** WIR-017891**Date Inspected:** 02-Nov-2010**Project Name:** SAS Superstructure**OSM Arrival Time:** 630**Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**OSM Departure Time:** 1500**Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**Location:** Job Site**CWI Name:** See Below**CWI Present:** Yes No**Inspected CWI report:** Yes No N/A**Rod Oven in Use:** Yes No N/A**Electrode to specification:** Yes No N/A**Weld Procedures Followed:** Yes No N/A**Qualified Welders:** Yes No N/A**Verified Joint Fit-up:** Yes No N/A**Approved Drawings:** Yes No N/A**Approved WPS:** Yes No N/A**Delayed / Cancelled:** Yes No N/A**Bridge No:** 34-0006**Component:** Orthotropic Box Girders**Summary of Items Observed:**

At the start of the shift the Quality Assurance Inspector (QAI) traveled to the project site and observed the following work performed by American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises (AB/F) personnel at the locations noted below:

- A). Field Splice W5/W6
- B). Field Splice W7/W8
- C). Field Splice E7/E8

A). Field Splice W5/W6

The QAI performed a visual verification of the Complete Joint Penetration (CJP) groove weld bottom plate field splice identified as 5W-6W-D1 and D2. At the conclusion of the visual verification the QAI noted and marked six (6) areas of minor weld profile issues. The QAI contacted and informed QC inspector Jesse Cayabyab of these issues and later in the shift the weld profiles were corrected and appeared to comply with the contract documents. The initial inspection request was presented to the QAI by QC inspector lead personnel, Bonifacio Daquinag.

B). Field Splice W7/W8

The QAI observed the excavation of the unacceptable discontinuities on the deck plate field splice identified as WN: 7W-8W-A, repair cycle # R2. The rejectable discontinuities was discovered during the Ultrasonic Testing (UT) performed by the QC technicians, Steve McConnell and Tom Pasqualone and appeared to travel in the longitudinal direction of the weld axis. The excavations of the rejected areas was performed by AB/F personnel

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Ken Chappell utilizing a high cycle grinder to remove the defects and a rotary file to bring the excavated area into compliance with the Weld Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-1001 Repair, Rev. 0. At the conclusion of the excavations the QAI observed the QC inspector, Tom Pasqualone, performed a visual inspection and a Magnetic Particle Test (MPT) of the excavated areas and no rejectable indications were noted. At the conclusion of the VT and MPT, the welder commenced the welding of the repair which was identified with the following Y coordinates; Segment A1, Y=0 mm and Segment A3, Y=5000 mm. The welding was performed by Fred Kaddu ID-2188 utilizing the Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) process as per the WPS which was also utilized by the QC inspector to monitor the welding and to verify the DC welding parameters. The QC inspector verified the DC welding parameters as 138 amps and the minimum preheat temperature of 40 degrees Celsius and the maximum interpass temperature of 230 degrees Celsius appeared to comply with the contract documents. The welding was performed in the flat (1G) position utilizing a 3.2 mm low hydrogen electrode. The welding of the repairs was completed during the scheduled shift. The QAI also verified the dimensions of the excavations and were noted and recorded as follows; Segment A1, Y=0 mm, L=180 mm, d=20 mm, Segment A3, Y=5000 mm, L=170 mm, d=14 mm, Segment A4, Y=705 mm, L=100 mm, d=14 mm and Segment A5, Y=4150 mm, L=200 mm and d=20 mm.

C). Field Splice E7/E8

The QAI observed the continued automatic Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW-G) of the weld joint identified as Weld Number (WN) E7-E8-E2. The Complete Joint Penetration (CJP) welding was performed by welding personnel Song Tao Huang, ID-3794 utilizing the WPS ABF-D15-3042B-1, Rev. 0. The joint designation appeared to comply with AWS single-v-groove butt joint identified as B-U2a-G. The WPS was also used by the QC inspector William Sherwood as a reference to monitor the welding and to verify the DC welding parameters which were noted and recorded by the QC as follows: 260 amps, 23.1 volts and a travel speed measured as 342 mm per minute. The welding was performed in vertical position (3G) at approximate incline of 22 degrees. The QC inspector also verified the minimum preheat temperature of 60 degrees Celsius and the maximum interpass temperature of 230 degrees Celsius. Later during the shift the QAI observed, at random intervals, the QC inspector monitoring the in process welding, the surface temperatures and verifying the welding parameters. The welding of the side plate field splice, face "A" was not completed during this scheduled shift.

QA Observation and Verification Summary

The QA inspector observed the QC activities and the welding of the field splices utilizing the WPS as noted above, which appeared to be posted at the weld station. The welding parameters and surface temperatures were verified by the QC inspector and utilizing a Fluke 337 clamp meter for the electrical welding parameters and a Fluke 63 IR Thermometer for verifying the preheat and interpass temperatures. The ESAB consumables utilized for the SMAW welding process appeared to comply with the AWS Specification and AWS Classification. The QC inspection, testing and welding performed on this shift appeared to be in general compliance with the contract documents. At random intervals, the QAI verified the QC inspection, testing, welding parameters and the surface temperatures utilizing various inspection equipment and gages which included a Fluke 337 Clamp Meter and Tempilstik Temperature indicators.

The digital photographs on page 3 of this report illustrate the work observed during this scheduled shift.

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Summary of Conversations:

There were general conversations with Quality Control Inspector Bonifacio Daquinag, Jr. at the start of the shift regarding the location of American Bridge/Fluor welding, inspection and N.D.E. testing personnel scheduled for this shift.

Comments

This report is for the purpose of determining 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 Mohammad Fatemi (916) 813-3677, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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