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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-022179**Date Inspected:** 28-Mar-2011**Project Name:** SAS Superstructure**OSM Arrival Time:** 700**Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**OSM Departure Time:** 1530**Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**Location:** Job Site**CWI Name:** G. Ehram**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). Longitudinal "A" Deck Stiffeners
- B). Deck Access Hole
- C). Pipe Supports
- D). QAI Verification

The QA Inspector observed the onsite inspection performed by the contractor's QC Inspection personnel. The inspection was performed on various Complete Joint Penetration (CJP) groove welds of the West Orthotropic Box Girders (OBG). The welding was performed utilizing the Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) process as per the Welding Procedure Specifications (WPS's) and was also used by the QC Inspectors to monitor the welding operation and to verify the welding parameters.

- A). Longitudinal "A" Deck Stiffeners

The QA Inspector observed the CJP welding of the longitudinal stiffeners located at the field splices W5/W6 and W6/W7 identified as WN: 6W-7W-A-LS3 and LS5. The welding was performed by the welders Jin Pei Wang ID-7299 and Wai Kitlai ID-2953. The CJP welding of WN: 6W-7W-A-LS3 was completed during this shift.

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B). Deck Access Hole at PP29.5

The QAI observed the welder, Wen Han Yu ID-6317, perform the CJP welding of the Deck Access Hole (DAH) located Panel Point 29.5 and identified as WN: 5W-PP29.5-W5-SW. The CJP welding of the DAH was not completed during this shift.

C). Pipe Supports

The QAI observe the field fit-up and tack welding of the pipe supports along the W5 grid line located on the "A" Deck of the OBG identified as W11. The QC inspection was performed by Steve Jensen utilizing the Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) identified as Fillet Murex to monitor the tack welding and to verify the welding parameters. The welding parameters were observed and recorded as 92 amps utilizing 2.4 mm electrodes with the welding performed in the 2F and 3F position. The tack welding was performed by F.W. Spencer welding personnel Rick Kiikvee ID-5319.

D). QAI Verification

At the the request of the QC inspector, John Pagliero, the QAI performed a random visual inspection of the Lifting Lug Holes identified as WN: 5E-PP35-E4, W1 and W3. The QAI inspection was performed to verify the welding and the visual weld inspection performed by the QC inspector meet the requirements of the contract documents. At the conclusion of the inspection it appeared that the welds and the QC inspection complies with the contract documents. The QAI verification was performed on the overhead welding of the weld joint.

QA Summary

The welding was performed in the vertical (3G) and overhead (4G) position utilizing low hydrogen electrodes. The welding parameters were verified and recorded by the QC inspector and appeared to comply with the WPS identified as ABF-WPS-D15-1012-3, Rev. 0 and ABF-WPS-D15-1010, Rev. 1. The welders utilized a slag hammer and a wire wheel attached to a 4" high cycle grinder to remove slag after the deposit of each weld pass. The 3.2 mm electrodes were stored in electrically heated, thermostatically controlled oven after removal from the sealed containers. The exposure limits of the electrodes identified as E7018-H4R and E9018-H4R appeared to comply with the minimum storage oven temperature of 120 degrees Celsius as per the contract documents. The WPS's were also utilized by the QC inspectors, Gary Ehram and Steve Jensen, as a reference to monitor the welding operation, to verify the welding parameters and verify the minimum preheat and the interpass temperatures. The welding parameters and surface temperatures were verified by the QC inspector's utilizing a Fluke 337 clamp meter for the electrical welding parameters and Tempil Heat Indicators for verifying the preheat and interpass temperatures. At the time of the observation no issues were noted by the QAI.

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

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Summary of Conversations:

There were general conversations with Quality Control Lead 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 Nina Choy (510) 385-5910, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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