

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

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Contract #: 04-0120F4Cty: SF/ALA Rte: 80 PM: 13.2/13.9File #: 1.28**WELDING INSPECTION REPORT****Resident Engineer:** Casey, William**Address:** 333 Burma Road**City:** Oakland, CA 94607**Report No:** WIR-026280**Date Inspected:** 15-Sep-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

<b>CWI Name:</b>	John Pagliero and Steve Mc Connell			<b>CWI Present:</b>	Yes	No	
<b>Inspected CWI report:</b>	Yes	No	N/A	<b>Rod Oven in Use:</b>	Yes	No	N/A
<b>Electrode to specification:</b>	Yes	No	N/A	<b>Weld Procedures Followed:</b>	Yes	No	N/A
<b>Qualified Welders:</b>	Yes	No	N/A	<b>Verified Joint Fit-up:</b>	Yes	No	N/A
<b>Approved Drawings:</b>	Yes	No	N/A	<b>Approved WPS:</b>	Yes	No	N/A
				<b>Delayed / Cancelled:</b>	Yes	No	N/A
<b>Bridge No:</b>	34-0006			<b>Component:</b>	SAS Tower		

**Summary of Items Observed:**

Caltrans Office of Structural Material (OSM) Quality Assurance Inspector (QAI) Joselito Lizardo was present at the Self Anchored Suspension (SAS) job site as requested to perform observations on the welding of components for the San Francisco Oakland Bay Bridge (SFOBB) Project.

This QA continued root opening survey at the center and inner west diaphragms elevation 13Meters. The center diaphragm at 13Meters was noted having a minimum root opening of 0mm and maximum root opening of 7mm which deemed acceptable to Caltrans approved Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-3080-1 ABF plans to implement. The inner west diaphragm at 13Meters was noted having a minimum root opening of 2mm and maximum root opening of 18mm which suggest requiring battering to close the gap where more than 7mm was measured. Root opening measurements on other diaphragms still in progress.

At Tower Base Elevation Electro Slag Welding (ESW) T-joint N-041 location 'N' (inside), QA randomly ABF welder Jeremy Dolman continuing to perform 3G SMAW cover welding repair due to excessive grinding. The welder was observed welding in the 3G (vertical) position utilizing Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) with 1/8" diameter E7018H4R electrode implementing welding procedure ABF-WPS-D15-1000-Repair Rev. 2. The excavations were previously tested using Magnetic Particle Testing (MT) by ABF QC Steve Mc Connell and randomly verified by this QA with positive result. The repair excavations and the adjacent base metal were preheated to more than 300°F using the propylene gas torch. During the shift, ABF QC John Pagliero was noted monitoring the welder. Measured welding parameter during welding was 110 amperes on a 1/8" diameter E7018H4R electrode. At the end of the shift, repair welding was still continuing and should remain tomorrow.

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At Tower Base Elevation Electro Slag Welding (ESW) T-joint E-041 location 'R' (inside), QA randomly ABF welder Rory Hogan continuing to perform 3G SMAW cover welding repair due to excessive grinding. The welder was observed welding in the 3G (vertical) position utilizing Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) with 1/8" diameter E7018H4R electrode implementing welding procedure ABF-WPS-D15-1000-Repair Rev. 2. The excavations were previously tested using Magnetic Particle Testing (MT) by ABF QC Steve Mc Connell and randomly verified by this QA with positive result. The repair excavations and the adjacent base metal were preheated to more than 300°F using the propylene gas torch. During the shift, ABF QC John Pagliero was noted monitoring the welder. Measured welding parameter during welding was 110 amperes on a 1/8" diameter E7018H4R electrode. At the end of the shift, repair welding was still continuing and should remain tomorrow.

### Summary of Conversations:

No significant conversation occurred today.

### 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 SMR Nina Choy 510-385-5910, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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<b>Inspected By:</b>	Lizardo, Joselito	Quality Assurance Inspector
<b>Reviewed By:</b>	Levell, Bill	QA Reviewer

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