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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-027347**Date Inspected:** 19-Mar-2012**Project Name:** SAS Superstructure**OSM Arrival Time:** 700**Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**OSM Departure Time:** 1730**Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**Location:** Job Site

CWI Name: Bernie Docena
Inspected CWI report: Yes No N/A
Electrode to specification: Yes No N/A
Qualified Welders: Yes No N/A
Approved Drawings: Yes No N/A

CWI Present: Yes No
Rod Oven in Use: Yes No N/A
Weld Procedures Followed: Yes No N/A
Verified Joint Fit-up: Yes No N/A
Approved WPS: Yes No N/A
Delayed / Cancelled: Yes No N/A

Bridge No: 34-0006**Component:** 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.

At outer West external diaphragm drop in plate WD1-A46 weld joint #059 (1 and 2) and #060 (1). ABF welder Jin Pei Wang was observed perform root pass to fill pass welding on the PJP T-joint between the 45mm drop in plate and shear plate/tower skin plate and splice butt joint to diaphragm plate. The welder was noted welding at 1G (flat position) utilizing a dual shield Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW-G) with E71T-1M, 1/16" diameter wire electrode and implementing Caltrans approved Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-3160-1. The plates were preheated and maintained to required 325° temperature using Miller Proheat 35 Induction Heating System. The welder performed FCAW-G welding fill pass until the end of the shift where the welder has not completed the three (3) weld joints. The welder performed the post weld heat treatment (PWHT) after welding using the same preheat temperature and heating machine and held it for three hours as required.

At outer West external diaphragm drop in plate WD1-A60 weld joint #057 (1 and 2) and #058 (1). ABF welder Wai Kitlai was observed perform root pass to fill pass welding on the PJP T-joint between the 45mm drop in plate and shear plate/tower skin plate and splice butt joint to diaphragm plate. The welder was noted welding at 1G (flat position) utilizing a dual shield Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW-G) with E71T-1M, 1/16" diameter wire electrode and implementing Caltrans approved Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-3160-1. The plates were preheated and maintained to required 325° temperature using Miller Proheat 35 Induction Heating System. The welder performed FCAW-G welding fill pass to cover pass until the end of the shift where the welder

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has completed the three (3) weld joints. The welder performed the post weld heat treatment (PWHT) after welding using the same preheat temperature and heating machine and held it for three hours as required.

At Tower Base 9 meter South external diaphragm below drop in plates SD1-A55 and SD1-A53, ABF welder Han Wen Yu was observed continuing to perform fit up/tack welding on the two (2) stiffener plates to shear plate and vertical stiffener plate. The welder was noted using Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) with 1/8" diameter E7018H4R electrode. At the end of the shift, fit up tack welding of the stiffener plates for the South external diaphragm was completed.

At the request of Quality Control Field Supervisor, Bonifacio Daquinag, QA has randomly verified the QC MT of the Partial Joint Penetration (PJP) welding on root pass of T- joint weld #W128. The QA verification was performed to verify that the welding and the MT inspection performed by the QC inspector meet the requirements of the contract documents. At the conclusion of the QA verification it appeared that the weld and the QC inspection complied with the contract documents.

1. Tower Base 13 meter North external diaphragm W#128 root pass – QA MT verified.

At Tower Base 9 meter diaphragm, ABF welder Wai Kitlai was observed performing 1G Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW-G) fill pass welding on drop in plate WD1-A60 to shear/tower skin/diaphragm plates PJP t-joint and butt joint.



At Tower Base 9 meter diaphragm, ABF personnel were noted using the Miller Proheat 35 Induction Heating System to preheat the drop in/ shear diaphragm plates to required temperature of 325 degrees Fahrenheit prior/during/after FCAW-G welding.



At Tower Base 13 meter diaphragm, ABF QC Fred Von Hoff was observed performing Magnetic Particle Testing (MT) on the welded root pass of the PJP T-joint between the diaphragm plate and tower skin plate weld joint #W128.



At Tower Base 9 meter diaphragm, ABF welder Jin Pei Wang was observed performing 1G (flat position) Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW-G) welding fill pass on PJP T-joint and butt joint.



Summary of Conversations:

No significant conversation occurred today.

Comments

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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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Reviewed By:	Levell, Bill	QA Reviewer
