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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-028119**Date Inspected:** 06-Aug-2012**Project Name:** SAS Superstructure**OSM Arrival Time:** 700**Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**OSM Departure Time:** 1930**Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**Location:** Job Site**CWI Name:** Julian Razo**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:** 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 OBG 13W-PP121.6 @1900 drop-in top deck plate inside, QA randomly observed ABF/JV qualified welder Mike Jimenez continuing to perform CJP groove welding repair from location Y=0mm to Y=1000mm. The welder was observed welding in the 4G (overhead) position utilizing Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) with 3.2mm diameter E7018H4R electrode implementing welding procedure ABF-WPS-D15-1004-Repairs. The repair excavation was preheated to more than 325 degree Fahrenheit using Miller Proheat 35 Induction Heating System with the heater blanket put in plate on top of the deck prior/during welding. During the shift, ABF QC Julian Razo was noted monitoring the welder with measured working current of 135 amperes on 3.2mm E7018H4R electrode. At the end of the shift, repair welding at location mentioned above was partially completed and the welder performed the Post Weld Heat Treatment (PWHT) of 450°F where repair was completed and held it for one hour as required.

At OBG 13W-W2.1 @10,100 drop-in top deck plate inside, QA randomly observed ABF/JV qualified welder Rick Clayborn continuing to perform CJP groove welding repair from location Y=0mm to Y=1800mm. The welder was observed welding in the 4G (overhead) position utilizing Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) with 3.2mm diameter E7018H4R electrode implementing welding procedure ABF-WPS-D15-1004-Repairs. The repair excavation was preheated to more than 325 degree Fahrenheit using Miller Proheat 35 Induction Heating System with the heater blanket put in plate on top of the deck prior/during welding. During the shift, ABF QC Julian Razo

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was noted monitoring the welder with measured working current of 132 amperes on 3.2mm E7018H4R electrode. At the end of the shift, repair welding at location mentioned above was completed and the welder performed the Post Weld Heat Treatment (PWHT) of 450°F where repair was completed and held it for one hour as required.

At OBG 13W-W2.8@12570 drop-in top deck plate inside, QA randomly observed ABF/JV qualified welder Richard Garcia continuing to perform CJP groove welding repair from location Y=11800mm to Y=12570mm. The welder was observed manually welding in the 4G (overhead) position utilizing dual shielded Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW-G) with 1.6mm diameter electrode implementing Caltrans approved welding procedure ABF-WPS-D15-3110-4. This repair has been excavated and being welded with Caltrans approved Request for Weld Repair (RWR) #201208-001. The repair excavation was preheated to more than 225 degree Fahrenheit using Miller Proheat 35 Induction Heating System with the heater blanket put in place on top of the deck prior/during welding. During the shift, ABF QC Julian Razo was noted monitoring the welder with measured working current of 260 amperes, 22.5 volts. During the shift, repair welding at location mentioned above was completed and the welder has moved to another location Y=10200mm to Y=11800mm of the same butt joint. The welder was noted using the same process and implemented the same WPS on this new weld location. The welder performed the FCAW-G repair until the end of the shift wherein he partially completed the repair welding. The welder held the same preheat and held it for three (3) hours after welding as required.

At OBG 13W-WK- SK1 plate inside, QA randomly observed ABF/JV qualified welder Chau Tran continuing to perform CJP groove back welding fill pass on the K plate skewed butt joint. The welder performed back gouging using carbon air arc gouging and ground smooth the groove of the weld joint after gouging. ABF QC Julian Razo was noted performing Magnetic Particle Testing (MT) after the completion of the back gouging and grinding with no relevant defects noted. The welder resumed manual welding in the 2G (horizontal) position utilizing a Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) with 3.2mm diameter E7018H4R electrode and implementing Caltrans approved Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-1072. The plates were preheated to more than 200 degree Fahrenheit using Miller Proheat 35 Induction Heating System with the heater blanket put in place the back of the SK plate being welded. During welding, ABF Quality Control (QC) Julian Razo was noted monitoring the welding parameters of the welder with measured working current of 125 amperes. At the end of the shift, fill pass welding was still continuing and should remain tomorrow.

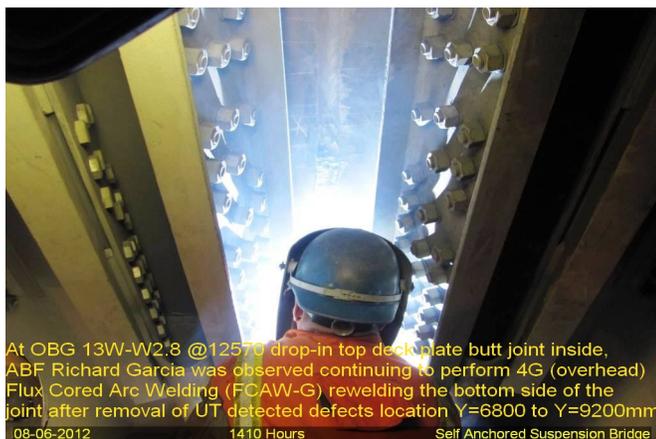
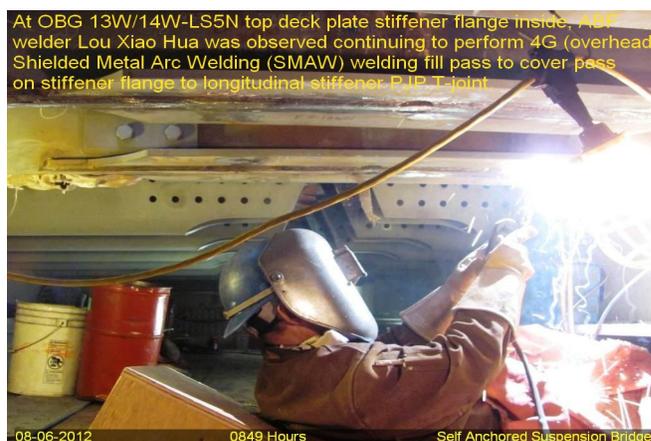
At OBG 13W/14W-LS5N deck stiffener flange inside, QA randomly observed ABF/JV qualified welder Lou Xiao Hua continuing to perform PJP groove welding root pass to fill pass on the deck stiffener flange T-joint. The welder was observed perform manual welding in the 4G (overhead) position utilizing a Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) with 3.2mm diameter E9018H4R electrode and implementing Caltrans approved Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-1162-4. The stiffener flange plate has a bevel groove being welded PJP T-joint to the longitudinal stiffener. The plates were preheated to more than 200 degree Fahrenheit using Miller Proheat 35 Induction Heating System. During welding, ABF Quality Control (QC) Julian Razo was noted monitoring the welding parameters of the welder with measured working current of 125 amperes. During the shift, cover pass welding was completed and the welder held the same preheat of >200 degree Fahrenheit for three hours after welding as required.

At OBG location 13W-PP122.5-W3 longitudinal diaphragm WT12 stiffener inside, this QA randomly observed ABF welder Lin E. Yun perform fillet welding on the above mentioned stiffener. The welder was noted welding in 3F (horizontal) position using Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) with 3.2mm diameter E7018 H4R electrode

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implementing Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-D15-F1200A. The vertical WT stiffener web is being welded to the longitudinal diaphragm on both sides of the web. The fit up was previously checked by ABF QC Julian Razo and randomly verified by this QA. During welding, the welder was noted preheating the plates to more than 150°F using propylene gas torch prior welding. ABF QC Julian Razo was noted monitoring the welding parameters with measured working current of 125 amperes during welding. At the end of the shift, fillet welding was completed on one side while the other side was still continuing.



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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