

**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-028456**Date Inspected:** 20-Sep-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

<b>CWI Name:</b>	William Sherwood and Steve Jensen			<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 OBG		

**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 12E-PP116.5-E5 deck access hole outside, QA randomly observed ABF/JV qualified welder Mike Jimenez continuing to perform CJP groove welding repair on a Seismic Performance Critical Member (SPCM) due to Ultrasonic Testing (UT) detected defect on welded butt joint. The welder preheated the repair area and its vicinity to >225°F using propylene gas torch prior excavation and then ground smooth the groove of the excavation. After its completion, ABF QC William Sherwood performed Magnetic Particle Testing (MT) on the removal of the defects with no relevant defect noted during the test. This QA also performed same test verification and noted same result.

The welder was noted using propylene gas torch to preheat the repair area and its vicinity to 325°F and as soon as the required temperature was attained the welder started performing the welding repair. Welder Mike Jimenez was observed manually welding in 1G (flat) position utilizing Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) with 3.2mm and 4.0mm diameter E7018H4R electrode implementing Caltrans approved welding procedure ABF-WPS-D15-1004 Repair. Welder Mike Jimenez was noted welding at location Y=600mm to Y=1500mm. During welding, ABF QC William Sherwood was noted monitoring the welder's welding parameter with measured working current of 130 amperes on the 3.2mm and 190 amperes on 4.0mm diameter E7018H4R electrodes. At the end of the shift, repair welding at the location mentioned above was completed and the welder performed the post weld heat treatment of 450°F on the completed repair using the Miller Proheat 35 Induction Heating System and held it for one hour as

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required.

Y-location Length Width Depth RWR# Remarks

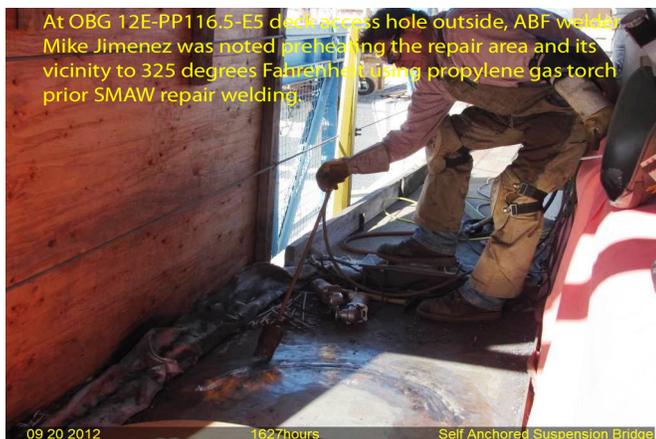
1. 600mm 900mm 25mm 12mm 201208-115 R2- completed.

FW Spencer:

At OBG 6E location Panel Point PP31 to PP35 grid line E5, this QA randomly observed FW Spencer qualified welder Damian Llanos continuing to perform Complete Joint Penetration (CJP) 6G (all position) Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) welding root pass to cover pass on the field splice butt joint of 2.5" and 4" domestic water and compressed air lines respectively. The system lines being welded are field weld joints along the grid line of E5 of the OBG. The welder was noted welding the root pass with 3/32" diameter E6010 electrode and followed by fill pass to cover pass using 3/32" diameter E7018H4R electrode implementing Caltrans approved procedure FW Spencer WPS 1-12-1. The welder was noted preheating and removing the moisture of the joint using a portable propane gas torch prior welding. During welding, ABF QC Steve Jensen was noted monitoring the parameters of the welder. At the end of the shift, the welder has completed the welding of the splice butt joints at the following;

Line Service Line/Pipe Size Panel Point Location Joint Designation

1. Domestic Water 2 1/2" 31 Northeast 15/2.5/31/NE
2. Compressed Air 4" 35 Northeast 17/4/35/NE



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At OBG location panel point 25 grid line C5, FW Spencer welder Damian Dlanos was noted preheating the 2 1/2" diameter domestic water line (DW) splice butt joint using portable propylene gas torch prior SMAW welding.



## 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 Gary Thomas (916) 764-6027, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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**Inspected By:** Lizardo, Joselito

Quality Assurance Inspector

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**Reviewed By:** Levell, Bill

QA Reviewer