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Attached is some explanatory information from the licensee regarding the code editions and addenda referenced.

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Harold,

The following is the clarification I promised you.

Clarification of the PBNP Relief Request addressing the tack weld issue:

As stated in the relief request:

RELIEF REQUESTED

NMC requests relief from Paragraph NB-4435 of the 1989 Edition of ASME Section III.

1989 is the Edition of the Code applicable to PBNP.

In addition to referencing the 1989 Edition, the "Code Requirement" section of the PBNP relief request also mentions the 1992 Errata. The reason for mentioning the 1992 errata is that, due to a clerical error, the code requirement regarding temporary nonstructural attachments was inadvertently omitted from the 1989 edition (even though this requirement continued to apply). The 1992 errata clarified the requirement that the 1989 edition must be treated as if the statement regarding temporary nonstructural attachments existed therein.

Discussion of the 1992 errata in the PBNP relief request was included only to provide clarification of the missing requirement (from the 1989 Edition) regarding temporary nonstructural attachments. The relief that PBNP is requesting is from 1989 Edition of the Code.