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United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Office of Inspection and Enforcement, Region IV
611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 1000
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Attn: Mr. Uldis Potapovs, Chief
Vendor Inspection Branch

Subj: Reply to VIB Inspection
Letter dated August 4, 1979
Inspection Report No. 99900023/79-01

Gentlemen:

Following is our reply to the subject matter referencing the items as they appear in your Notice of Deviations:

- A. This deviation states that the Welding Foreman did not enter the appropriate revision number of a welding procedure used on his copy of the data sheet for Shop Order No. 6010, Sheet F34-165.

To prevent recurrence, the Welding Foreman in both plants have been given an indoctrination and training session on the proper methods to be followed in selecting the welding procedure to be used.

At this time, however, even though the Welding Foreman neglected to enter the revision number of the welding procedure to be used, the proper revision would have been used. It is a NAVCO policy to have only one revision of any procedure in the shop at a given time. With our document control as it is, the proper revision number for all procedures will always be used.

It is conceivable that in the future if we would have overlapping contracts there could be more than one revision of a given procedure in effect at the same time. If so, adherence to the QA Manual would preclude any problem.

Implementation of the corrective action discussed at the indoctrination and training session began August 15, 1979.

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- B. This deviation states that the superintendent did not prepare a record of temporary attachment for the ring protectors welded to three (3) weld preps on a nuclear code fabrication on Shop Order No. 6010, Sheet F4-18.

Nonconformance Notice No. E-170 has been issued concerning this nonconformance and has been processed and resolved.

To prevent recurrence, the Plant Superintendent and the QC Department personnel were given an indoctrination and training session concerning the preparation and processing of the Record of Temporary Attachment form.

Implementation of this corrective action began August 15, 1979.

- C. This deviation states that the QC Inspector did not indicate conformance to a heat treatment operation by initialing and dating the appropriate space on the QC copy of the QC Data Sheet on Shop Order No. 6010, Sheet F21-31.

It has been our practice to review heat treat charts and initial and date the appropriate space on the QC Data Sheet at some time prior to release for shipment. The sheet in question has been signed off and the heat treatment charts have been reviewed and approved.

To prevent recurrence, we have prepared written instructions for processing of material requiring heat treatment. We plan to have an indoctrination and training session with QC and Production personnel and issue these instructions for implementation by September 7, 1979.

Very truly yours,

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