

## **Section 9.0            PROJECT QA/QC PLAN**

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## **PART 1 PROJECT QA/QC PLAN**

### **I. INTRODUCTION**

Our employees have over 40 years of history with EPC projects for the Power Generation industry. As a turnkey engineering and construction contractor, we have followed stringent quality guidelines throughout its history. The QA/QC Controls in place have been developed and fine tuned over these multiple and varied project experiences. The QA/QC plan that exists today is based upon experience in interpretation and application of codes and standards as well as practical knowledge learned in expeditiously bringing a project to successful completion.

The following sections will provide a detailed description of the Corporate Policy regarding Quality Assurance/Quality Control and a Project Specific Plan for the Quality Assurance/Quality Control management of the Power Project.

### **II. ORGANIZATION**

The Quality Assurance Manager acts as the point-of-contact for any non-conformance reports and initiates corrective action as required. He/she ensures that required inspections, tests, evaluations, reviews, audits and all other quality control measures are performed as necessary to strictly adhere to the corporate-approved Quality Control and Assurance program plan. The Quality Assurance Manager is assisted by a team of inspectors who conduct all manners of inspections and tests required, ensuring that the installed system conforms to the approved drawings and specifications.

An organization chart is furnished which shows the organization of the Quality Control and Assurance Team by position, title and name. All quality control team personnel will be assigned based upon individual and collective expertise as related to the specific areas of quality control necessary to support the contract work effort.

### **III. PLAN TASKS AND PROCEDURES**

#### **A. Construction Design**

##### **1. Design Documentation Review - Drawings**

Project Engineers are responsible for conceptualizing and engineering the project. To ensure that the design meets all requirements, inspections will be conducted throughout the design process. Prior to issuance of "Issue For Construction" package, all drawings will have the following signatures and dates.

Draftsman	Signature and Date in Drawn By Block
Checker	Signature and Date in Check Block
Project Engineer	Signature and Date in Design Block
Project Manager	Signature and Date in Project Manager Block
QA Manager	Signature and Date in QA Block

The Project Engineer responsible for the drawing design will initial his approval on all completed drawings. Fundamental configuration drawings (i.e., PFD, P&ID, Electrical One-lines, and Control Configuration drawings) will undergo peer review. Selection of the peer reviewer will be made jointly by the Senior Engineering Manager and the QA/QC Manager. The Quality Assurance Manager will check the drawing for all necessary signatures and initials and will then sign his name and date. The Drawing Review Sheet will be filed by the Quality Assurance Manager as a permanent project record.

Changes to approved drawings require the same review process. Changed drawings will be issued as revisions and will be labeled as such.

## **2. Design Documentation Review - Specifications**

A specification will be generated for each major piece of equipment to be purchased for this project. The Project Engineer responsible for the generation of each specification will initial the completed specification. Prior to each specification's attachment to a Request for Bid or a Purchase Requisition, this specification will undergo peer review by the Project Manager and the Engineering Manager. The Specification will then be passed to the QA/QC Manager for his review and will become a permanent part of the project record.

## **3. Drawing Control**

A Master Drawing Index of all drawings will be maintained. The index will be updated as drawing changes occur and will reflect the current status of each drawing. Only the latest applicable drawings, specifications, instructions and authorized changes thereto, will be issued for manufacturing, construction, inspection and testing. Reproducible copies or computer disk files of final revision levels of a drawing will be maintained for record.

## **B. Subcontracted Design**

The same approval and quality assurance procedures to which own design work is subjected will also be applied to all design work subcontracted to an outside source. Drawings and other design documents will be reviewed and examined for compliance with both the technical and format requirements of the contract specifications.

## **C. Material Procurement**

Responsibility for procurement of various equipment and supplies will be clearly defined prior to the initiation of any procurement. Purchasing Manager and staff will directly monitor all procurement efforts of major equipment under their immediate control.

Balance of Plant purchasing, i.e., Buildings, Mechanical, Electrical (conduit, fittings and wire), and Area Lighting will be the primary responsibility of the various subcontractors. Some of the project tasks will be purchased as a sub-system or system from different vendors or subcontractors. In order to ensure adherence to the project schedule, will direct scheduling and expediting of materials and equipment purchased by subcontractors.

### **1. Procurement Procedures**

Procurement Procedures are published in the Corporate Project Procedures Manual. The following sections detail Procurement Procedures for this project. We implements these controls for every large project to ensure that the client receives the best value in materials and equipment as well as a quality installation effort.

#### **1.1 Prequalification of Manufacturers / Vendors / Construction Contractors**

Select Manufacturers / Vendors / Construction Contractors based on our own Qualified Vendors List (QVL). The stated purpose of the QVL is to ensure the best value and the highest quality in workmanship, materials and equipment for and our clients. Each manufacturer / vendor / contractor listed on the QVL has been evaluated based on past performance using the following criteria:

- Proper documentation of and compliance with inspection/test requirements
- Quality of workmanship
- Efficient handling of Purchase Orders
- Adherence to shipping schedules
- Prompt resolution of non-conforming material problems
- Compliance in manufacture and supply with specifications
- Warranty Work
- Product or Product Lines
- QA/QC audit (if necessary)
- Price

New vendors / contractors with no previous history are evaluated based upon the following:

- Product Lines

- Project Histories for similar projects
- Discussion with former Client Contacts
- Financial Stability
- Staff Qualifications
- Capability to complete the project
- QA/QC Audit (Manufacturers / fabricators if necessary)
- Client List

## **1.2 Material / Equipment / Parts / Services Selection**

This section provides an overview of methodology in selecting materials, equipment, parts and services. Expediting procedures are included to ensure that the project schedule is not impacted by shipping delays.

The established twelve main stages in the procurement of materials, equipment, parts and services:

- Preparation of the Specifications for equipment and materials
- Identification of each item and preparation of purchase requisitions
- Issuing the Request for Quotation
- Quotation Review, Negotiations and selection of vendor or contractor
- Preparation and Placement of the Purchase Order
- Scheduling delivery of the Purchase Order
- Expediting the Purchase Order
- Receipt of Materials/Equipment/Parts and Inspection of same
- Inspection of Contracted Services and Approval of Same
- Resolution of any Non Conforming Material problems as well as any Corrective Action Items
- Field Purchase Orders

## **2. Equipment / Material Specification Preparation**

Procurement specifications originate in the Engineering Department. The Engineering Manager will task staff engineers with the generation of specifications. The Engineering Manager and the Project Manager will review the equipment specification for compliance with applicable codes/standards and contract specifications. If Client approval is required, the Project Manager will forward specification to Client, obtain approval signatures, and then return the approved specifications to the Engineering Manager.

Standard Specifications are divided into two (2) classes, "short form" and "book type." Short form specifications are used whenever good engineering practice and contractual arrangements permit. They are simple and flexible. "Book type" specifications are more formal, more expensive, and may be used on major engineered items of equipment, usually at the request of the Client.

## **2.1 Purchase Requisitions**

Purchase Requisitions will originate with engineering. The Purchase Requisition will be approved by the Project Manager or Engineering Manager prior to submittal to the Purchasing Department. The Requisition will be checked by either the Engineering Manager or the QA/QC Manager for compliance to specifications. The Purchase Requisition will then be forwarded to the Purchasing Manager. The Purchasing Manager will direct that the Request for Quotation (RFQ) be developed and sent to approved suppliers on QVL. The specifications developed by Engineering will be attached to the RFQ.

The vendor or subcontractor shall be given sufficient time to prepare their bid for equipment or services. The time frame for bidder response shall be so stated on the RFQ.

## **2.2 Quotation Reviews**

Each quotation will be reviewed prior to the issue of a Purchase Order. Major Equipment, Material, and Contracted Services purchases will be reviewed by a representative from the applicable engineering discipline and project management.

## **2.3 Purchase Order**

Following evaluation of quotations and completion of negotiations, an award will be made. The Purchasing Manager will generate the Purchase Order.

Purchase Orders include the following:

- Detailed description of products and services
- Required delivery date
- Test and Inspection requirements, if applicable
- Terms of payment
- Shipping information and point of contact
- Required documentation

A Purchase Order Log will be maintained at all times. Purchase Progress Reports will be updated weekly.

### **2.3.1 Expediting the Purchase Order**

Purchasing Manager will delegate an expeditor to track delivery of major equipment and materials for the project. The expeditor will closely monitor the progress in fabricating or gathering of materials from each vendor of equipment and materials which could impact the project schedule.

### **2.3.2 Closing out of Purchase Orders**

Documented receipt of equipment / materials in good order will be forwarded to the Administrative Manager and the Purchasing Manager. Contracted services will be inspected and signed off upon satisfactory completion. At this time, the Administrative Manager will sign these documents and direct the Purchasing Manager to forward same to Accounting for payment. Payment will be by terms agreed to on Purchase Order.

### **2.3.3 Field Purchase Orders**

Field Purchase Orders will require approval from Purchasing Manager. Field Purchase Orders will be documented, and a written Field Purchase Order Log will be maintained.

## **2.4 Material / Equipment Receiving Inspection**

Receiving Inspections will be performed on all major equipment / material for the project. QA/QC project staff will perform the inspection. Methodology is discussed in detail in the project QA/QC Section of this document.

All materials requiring Material Certifications and/or Material Test Reports (MTRs) will be checked for compliance to project specifications. Materials received without the proper certifications will be tagged and segregated until such required documentation is received.

### **2.4.1 Hazardous Materials Storage**

All coating materials, lubricants, flammable solvents, and other items identified by the Project Manager or the Owner as falling under Hazardous Material designation will be segregated from other project materials and equipment. These items will be stored in a secure location. All MSDS sheets will be posted in this area concerning each type Hazardous Material. An inventory will be maintained detailing receipt and issuance of any said material to installation staff and/or subcontractor.

If a subcontractor will directly receive or bring upon jobsite any materials in this category, they will be directed to comply with the established HAZMAT storage materials plan. This plan will be issued as a separate document and will be available at site for all personnel to review.



## **2.5 Corrective Action / Non-Conforming Equipment / Materials**

All equipment / materials which do not reflect compliance to project specifications, shipped without MTRs, damaged in shipment, etc. will be tagged and segregated until such time as vendors resolve the problem. Methodology for these processes is discussed in detail in the QA/QC section of this document.

### **D. Test Plans**

Test plans will be developed for testing each segment of the project both independently and collectively. Test plans will explain the purpose of the tests, define inputs, specify procedures, and acceptance criteria.

#### **1. Measurement and Test Equipment**

Measurement and test equipment used for inspection and acceptance testing shall be calibrated at established intervals against certified standards. All subcontractor and vendor test equipment used for vendor acceptance testing in connection with this contract shall meet the same calibration requirements.

#### **2. Documentation**

Inspection and testing documentation will be prepared in clear language. Test procedures will define all conditions and materials required for the test, specify test equipment and provide pass/fail criteria.

Reports will be prepared to document the results of each inspection and test performed. The records will identify the test equipment used, the observations made, the deficiencies found and the corrective actions taken.

#### **3. Definition of Test Types**

- a. Factory Tests are defined as tests performed at the location where the item is produced, fabricated, manufactured or assembled prior to shipment to the site.
- b. Field Verification Tests or Pre-Operational Tests are tests performed after installation. These tests verify that components and subsystems are installed and perform correctly.
- c. The Operational Systems Test is a comprehensive test of the installed system. The results of this test determine acceptance or rejection of the system.
- d. Performance tests are a series of tests to verify project-mandated performance guarantees.



**E. Corrective Action**

When problems or deficiencies are discovered in workmanship and/or materials during the inspection process, they will be documented. The inspector will prepare a Corrective Action Request (CAR) detailing the problem and submit it for resolution. The QA Inspector will forward the CAR to the QA Manager and the Project Manager. Corporate Project Management will investigate the problem and direct the proper course of action. All Corrective Action Requests shall be maintained for future reference or analysis as may be required.

**IV. INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS**

**A. Responsibilities**

Perform the inspections and/or tests required to substantiate that the materials and services conform to requirements. The Client may witness any of the inspections or tests. All errors and/or defects discovered during inspections and/or tests shall be documented.

**B. Classification of Test**

Test Classifications include factory testing of components and major subsystems, field testing, and on-site final acceptance testing of the complete system. Some of the individual component and subsystem testing may be performed concurrently with the Operational Test. Construction Inspections will be performed during the installation work.

**1. Factory Testing**

Factory testing will be accomplished as required to ensure compliance with the contract specifications. Prior to shipment from the factory, some components and/or subsystems may be tested to demonstrate their compliance with the specifications. These items shall be identified and noted on the purchase order.

**2. Operational System Test (OST)**

A test of the entire System in full operational mode will be conducted to verify correct operation of all subsystems and system components. All functional capabilities of the system will be demonstrated. Following completion of the test, we will prepare and submit a test report.

These test procedures will be developed during the project construction phase and will be delivered to the client for approval prior to Operational Testing efforts being undertaken.

**C. Test Documentation**

The Quality Assurance Manager will ensure that test procedures and test reports are prepared as outlined herein. Test documentation will be issued to the client. Test procedures will be developed for testing components, subsystems and the overall system. Testing shall demonstrate that the system design meets the requirements and that materials and workmanship are as specified. Test results shall be recorded and bound with the test procedures to form a permanent record.

## **V. PROJECT SPECIFIC INSPECTIONS AND TESTS**

The project warrants a wide variety of inspections and tests. The following sections briefly describe the project inspection and test requirements by function and/or discipline.

### **A. Site Preparation**

- Confirmation of site dimensions.
- Confirmation of topographical elevations on completion of final grading. Assumes existing elevation is within two (2) feet of final grading level.
- Confirmation of Water Run Off Control after Final Grading is achieved
- Review of complete soil compaction and associated tests.

### **B. Ground Grid**

- Confirm grid installed at correct depth and dimension with correct materials.
- Observe and confirm that junctions, splices, and taps are made with the correct Thermic weld type molds or pressure connectors and tools.
- Observe and confirm that correct wire and size are used with regard to ground rods.
- Perform ground grid resistance test.

### **C. Concrete Foundations, Walls and Slabs**

- Confirmation of correct locations and dimensions of concrete foundation and wall forms.
- Confirmation of correct size and spacing of rebar in concrete foundations.
- Confirmation of proper anchor bolt sizes and location.
- Verify procurement of correct concrete strength.
- Witness the taking of necessary concrete samples for "slump" and "strength tests."
- Obtain qualified testing lab for concrete strength tests.
- Confirm proper correct elevations and slope of all slabs, walls, etc.
- Document above items on concrete pour card.

### **D. Electrical**

- Confirm the receipt of each major item of electrical equipment. Verify specification compliance and inspect for transit damage.

- Confirm that receipt of all equipment and miscellaneous materials - conduits, cabling, etc., adhere to procurement requirements.
- After wiring is pulled and prior to connection, the wire will be Megger tested and all test results will be recorded on a Megger / Hi-Pot Test Record Form.
- Observe all conduits routing to ensure adequate turning radius for cable pulling.
- Perform detailed point-to-point wiring checks to verify power, control, and instrument wiring.
- Perform pre-operational tests on all electrical equipment and systems.
- Confirm tagging and labeling, verify and document as-built drawings.

**E. Structural Steel**

- Confirm correct size and type of structural steel.
- Confirm proper installation of anchor bolts, washers, and nuts installed, as required.
- Verify that qualified welders perform welding in accordance with applicable codes.
- Visually inspect all field welds to confirm they are complete and adequate.
- Verify paint and corrosion protection.

**F. Piping and Welding**

- Confirm correct size, rating, etc., of each piping system as applicable.
- Verify that qualified welders are utilized. Inspect piping fit up to ensure proper workmanship is utilized.
- Obtain qualified testing lab for welding radiography.
- Set up welding inspection and test procedures in accordance with applicable codes and standards.
- Set up a detailed welding documentation system to address individual pipe code, each weld, x-ray, welder, welding map, date, and inspector review.
- Establish a pipe cleaning procedure.
- Witness hydrostatic testing and test procedures, as required by various codes for each piping system.

**G. Instrumentation**

- Confirm all instrumentation and control equipment adheres to procurement requirements.
- Confirm instrumentation specification compliance, and inspect for transit damage.
- Observe individual calibration of each instrument, confirming range, accuracy, etc. in accordance with specifications and applicable codes.
- Perform functional loop checks and document same.

**H. Documentation**

Test and Inspection Documentation will be maintained on site throughout the project construction, commissioning and startup phase. The client will be allowed access to this data at any time.

Following Completion of Startup and Commissioning, the full battery of project Testing and Inspection Documentation will be delivered to the Client.

**VI. SHIPPING AND HANDLING**

Procedures for shipping and handling of materials will ensure that all shipments meet the requirements for identification, packing, packaging and data submittal. Contractor will be responsible for packing, shipping, receiving and installing the component parts and subsystems that comprise the complete system. The degree of protection and method of handling will be consistent with the anticipated hazards.

Contractor will ensure that the appropriate shipping and handling procedures will be followed. Should damage occur in transit, it will be repaired or replaced as appropriate.

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## **PART 2      PROJECT SPECIFIC TEST AND INSPECTION PROCEDURES**

### **I.      SCOPE**

The following civil, mechanical and electrical test and inspection requirements have been developed for the project.

The civil, mechanical and electrical tasks on this project shall comply with the standards set forth in this document to ensure both the safety and quality of the installation. This document stipulates the inspections and tests that will be performed on the project.

### **II.      STANDARDS AND CODES**

The following organization's standards and codes are applicable to design and construction practices for the project.

ANSI B31.3	Plant Piping
ASME IX	Welder Qualifications
AWS A3/0	Definitions of Welding Terminology
AWS B2.1-84	Standard for Welding Procedure and Performance Qualification
AWS D1.1	AWS Code for Structural Welding
AISC	American Institute of Steel Construction – Various sections
ASTM	American Society for Testing Materials – Various Sections
ASME	American Society for Mechanical Engineers – Various Sections
ISA S5.1	Instrumentation Symbols and Identification
NACE RP018890	Standard Recommended Practice: Discontinuity (Holiday) Testing of Protective Coatings
NEMA AB1	Molded Case Circuit Breakers
NEMA ICS1	General Standards for Industrial Control and Systems
NEMA ICS2	Industrial Control Devices, Control and Systems
NEMA ICS4	Terminal Blocks for Industrial Use
NEMA ICS6	Enclosures for Industrial Controls and Systems
MG1	Motors and Generators
PE5	Constant-Potential-Type Electric Utility (Semi-Conductor Static Converter) Battery Chargers
SG2	High Voltage Fuses
WC2	Rubber Insulated Wire and Cable for the Transmission and Distribution of Electrical Energy
NFPA70	National Electric Code
NFPA No. 1	Carbon Dioxide Extinguishing Systems
NFPA No. 37	Stationary Combustion Engines and Gas Turbines
OSHA CFR Title 29	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
(Note: Codes and Standards may also include Codes and Standards issued by other organizations as directed by Owner.)	

### **III. TESTS / INSPECTIONS - CIVIL**

Inspections will be undertaken throughout the civil portion of the project. The site dimensions will be confirmed. Topographical elevations will be confirmed following grading. All concrete slab and wall dimensions will be confirmed prior to concrete pouring. All concrete will be confirmed to be compliant with design specifications. A qualified third party inspection agency will be retained to conduct slump tests prior to and during concrete pours. All concrete will be strength-tested intervals per ASTM standards. Grouting of mechanical equipment skids will be performed per the developed specifications.

### **IV. TESTS / INSPECTIONS - GROUND GRID**

The ground grid will be inspected throughout installation to ensure that materials used are per design specifications and that installation splices, junctions, and taps are made properly. Depth and dimensional boundaries will be measured and recorded. At the conclusion of installation, the grounding grid will be tested using a test instrument specifically for the task to confirm acceptable impedance levels.

### **V. TESTS / INSPECTIONS - MECHANICAL**

Several elements of the project will require welding during fabrication and installation. These elements include:

- Structural Steel
- Fuel System - Natural Gas Fuel System Piping
- Fuel System - Liquid Fuel System Storage Tank and Piping
- Process Water Systems
  - Raw Water System Storage Tank and Piping
  - Waste Water System Piping
  - Firewater System Piping (HDPE piping Thermal Welding Inspections)
- Oily Waste System
- Lube Oil System

The welding inspection criteria for each of these tasks will be based upon the applicable codes and standards. The following paragraphs briefly describe each task and stipulate the specific code and/or standard(s) that apply.

#### **A. Structural Steel**

The structural steel aspects of the project will consist of the building related structural steel and various supports of racks. Design and erection of these assemblies shall be in accordance with the latest edition of the AISC. All welding will be visually inspected per AWS applicable codes and standards.



## **B. Welding Inspections/Tests**

All welders are required to have current certification of their qualifications. Current certifications should indicate the welder has been tested to the project welding procedures within one year prior to welding on project piping.

All visual-welding inspections will be performed by persons who have current certification from AWS or ASNT-TC-1A. All NDE will be performed and approved by persons holding current ASNT-TC-1A Level II certification for the specific test processes implemented. All visual welding inspections will be performed based on the criteria established in ANSI B31.1 and AWS D1.1.

Radiographic Testing (RT) where necessary will be performed in accordance with standards established by ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Article 2, Section V, except as stipulated in the applicable code, ANSI B31.3 (Pipe welding inside Plant Battery Limits).

All radiographs of full penetration welds must be accepted by a certified Level II inspector with current certification under ASNT-TC-1A. Accept/Reject criteria for all welds shall be in accordance with criteria established as well as applicable codes. Any rejections will require two (2) weld penalty shots on that welder. If in the judgment of the Site QA/QC Manager that a welder or welders have excessive rejections; may demand the welder be removed from the project or certified to weld on only non critical piping.

## **C. Natural Gas Piping**

Piping from the supply source to the Fuel Filter/Separators will be Carbon Steel. The piping on the downstream side of the filter/separators to the will change to Stainless Steel piping. All Natural Gas piping will be designed and constructed to ANSI B31.3.

A total of 100% of the pipeline welds (100% of each weld) will be subjected to Radiographic Testing (RT).

All radiographs of full penetration welds must be approved and accepted per criteria established in Section B above.

## **D. Liquid Fuel System**

All piping systems will be visually inspected by Craft Inspectors qualified to visually inspect these systems. 10% carbon steel piping welds will undergo RT, 100% of the weld. RTs will be examined and approved by a Level II or III ANSTC-1A qualified technician.

PE or RTR lines will undergo hydro or pneumatic testing. If Hydrotest is used, water as the test medium hydro will be 1.5 times design pressure up to a maximum of 150 PSI. If a pneumatic test is decided upon, the test pressure will be 1.2 times design pressure.

**E. Lube Oil System**

The Lube Oil system consists of a skid and interconnecting stainless steel piping to the Gas Turbine Package. All interconnecting pipe welds shall be in accordance with ANSI B31.3. All Lube Oil system welds will undergo visual inspection or testing in accordance with ANSI B31.3. Ten percent (10%) of these welds will undergo RT testing (100% of the weld)

**F. Hydraulic System**

The Hydraulic System consists of a skid and interconnecting stainless steel piping to the Gas Turbine Package. All interconnecting pipe welds shall be in accordance with ANSI B31.3. All Hydraulic system welds will undergo visual inspection or testing in accordance with ANSI B31.3. Ten percent (10%) of these welds will undergo RT testing (100% of the weld)

All radiographs of full penetration welds must be approved and accepted per criteria established in Section B above.

**G. Raw Water System**

The Raw Water System consists of Carbon Steel Piping.

Raw Water System piping welds will be visually inspected.

**H. Process Water Systems**

All welded steel piping will be visually inspected as welds are completed. All PVC piping joints will be inspected as they are made up. The Process water systems will be inspected prior to startup. All pumps will be balanced. Remaining components will be inspected and confirmed that they are supplied and installed per specifications.

**J. Pump Testing**

All pumps supplied will be balanced and confirmed as fully operational prior to startup.

**VI. WELDER QUALIFICATIONS**

Welders qualified according to the appropriate codes shall make all welds on the project:

- |                                   |               |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| • Structural Steel                | AWS CODE D1.1 |
| • Fuel System Piping              | ANSI B31.3    |
| • Lube Oil System Piping          | ANSI B31.3    |
| • Hydraulic Startup System Piping | ANSI B31.3    |

All welders will be required to provide certification of their qualification to the appropriate standard. Each welder's certified qualifications will be reviewed and approved by the welding inspector prior to the welder's beginning work on the project. Applicable welding procedure specifications (WPS) and Procedure Qualification Reports (PQRs) will be required. All reports and certifications will be in accordance with ASME Section IX Article II.

## **VII. AREA DESIGNATION**

Areas where combustible fluids, gases or vapors might be present shall be classified as hazardous areas or hot areas. Guidelines for welding in these areas will be drawn from ANSI Z49.1. Areas designated as safe areas will be those areas on site remote from hazardous areas and where no contact with combustible fluids, gases and vapors are present. Welding in these safe areas, as well as on-site welding fabrication, will be subject to the same standards and codes listed in the previous paragraphs. The welding inspector shall designate an area classification for the project.

## **IX. SUB-SYSTEMS MECHANICAL TESTS**

The test requirements for the various tasks on the project are defined in the following paragraphs. Tests are defined in this case to be "system" centered, i.e., hydrostatic tests, vacuum tests, etc., versus inspections which are "component" centered. All tests shall be performed in the presence of a QA/QC inspector or his designate. All tests shall be documented with a written test report. The test report shall include a description of the test, the item or items tested, the procedure used, the date and time of the test and the test results. All test documentation shall be signed by the inspector.

### **A. Fuel System Tests**

All fuel system piping shall be subjected to hydrostatic leak testing to 1.5 times the design pressure. Non-pipe components of the system shall be isolated from the test. The hydrostatic leak test pressure shall be held for a minimum of 1 Hour and then reduced in accordance with ANSI B31.3 to conduct examination for leakage. Pneumatic tests on the PE or RTR may be substituted at 1.2 times design pressure.

### **B. Lube Oil System Tests**

All Lube Oil System piping shall be subjected to hydrostatic leak testing to 1.5 times the design pressure. Non-pipe components of the system shall be isolated from the test. The hydrostatic leak test pressure shall be held for a minimum of 1 Hour and then reduced in accordance with ANSI B31.3.

### **C. Hydraulic Starter System Tests**

All Hydraulic Starter System piping will be subjected to hydrostatic leak testing to 1.5 times the design pressure. Non-Pipe components of the system shall be isolated from

the test. The hydrostatic leak test pressure shall be held for a minimum of 1 Hour and then reduced in accordance with ANSI B31.3.

#### **D. Process Water System Tests**

All metallic process water system piping will be leak service tested prior to commissioning. The piping systems under test will be brought up to Normal Operating Pressure and this pressure will be held for 10 minutes or as long as it takes to check each joint or fitting on the line under test. Test shall be conducted in accordance with ANSI B31.3 to conduct examination for leakage. Piping Systems which will be tested in this manner are the following:

- Cooling Water Systems (New Piping)
- Oily Water Piping

#### **E. Instrument Air System Leak Tests**

Instrument air piping systems will be subjected to a Pneumatic leak test following installation. Pressures will be raised to Normal Operating Pressures levels for each system and held for a minimum of 10 minutes.

### **X. SPECIFIC TESTS – ELECTRICAL**

#### **A. Ground Grid Integrity Test**

The new installed grounding cables/rods will be attached to the existing system. Installed Ground Grid will be tested using a suitable multimeter to measure integrity prior to startup. Continuity and resistance will be confirmed for the new installed cables/rods. The readings will be recorded for record.

#### **B. Cable Insulation Testing - Megger**

All 600 Volt and above wire and cable to be used on this project will undergo an insulation test or tests to ensure cable is suitable for intended usage and has structural integrity for installation. All low voltage cables, below 600 volts, will be tested for continuity prior to being energized.

All medium and high voltage cable and wire will undergo Megger testing. Cables will be tested to levels established not to exceed the rated voltage of the cables. Megger testing will be performed with a calibrated test instrument certified to national standards.

The results will be recorded and maintained for record. A cable failing a Megger test will be tagged, segregated and removed from the job site.

**C. Cable Insulation Testing - Hi Potential Test**

Medium and high voltage cables will undergo Hi-Potential testing to detect any insulation breakdown in these cables.

Testing will be accomplished with a calibrated instrument certified to national standards. Results will be recorded and maintained for record.

**D. Cable and Conduit Installation - Inspections**

All cable, conduit and associated fittings will be checked to ensure compliance to specifications developed for this project. Conduit, fittings and cable installation will be monitored during construction to ensure compliance to NEC codes.

**E. Point to Point Testing**

All installed cables shall be point-to-point tested prior to being energized. The point-to-point test shall confirm cables are installed as designed and phased properly.

**F. Switchgear, Motor Control Centers, Breakers, and other Electrical Components, Instrumentation**

All switchgear, motor control centers, breakers and other electrical components, will be inspected and tested prior to and following installation. Specific test procedures will be developed for each major piece of equipment to be installed. Electrical components will be inspected prior to installation and, in most cases, will be tested as part of a larger sub-system. Instrumentation will be inspected prior to installation and calibrated following installation. Instrumentation will be tested as part of a larger sub-system.

**XI. FACTORY ACCEPTANCE TESTS / INSPECTIONS**

The Client has the right to request the contractor an inspection of the equipment and witness all factory tests prior to shipment to the Project site if schedule allows. Tests will be undertaken at the manufacturer or fabricator's facility prior to being shipped to site.

**XII. STARTUP TESTING AND COMMISSIONING**

Startup testing and commissioning will involve integration of all sub-systems into a complete system-wide test of operation. Testing will involve operation of all sub-systems listed below:

- Process Water Systems – Raw Water Supply System and Firewater System
- Fuel Gas Delivery System
- Gas Turbine Startup
- Gas Turbine Electrical Transmission
- Breaker Operation
- Protective Relays, Breaker Testing

### **XIII. REPORTS**

A copy of all inspection and test reports shall be maintained in a file at the project site. These reports shall be made available for review and reference as may be required throughout the project. The original copies of all inspection and test reports shall be forwarded periodically to the Quality Assurance Manager for review and safekeeping. Quality related problems that cannot be readily corrected at the project site will be immediately referred to the Quality Assurance Manager for resolution.