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Corrective Action 1323
Carondelet Division - CA / PA / RGA Database
Corrective Action Type NCR
Date 7/27/2005
CA Originator C. Ruud
Applies to: Coil castings C-1, C-2, C-3, C-4 and A-1 and C 1 shim and four C coil and six A coil shims

Description of Defect / Non-Conformance

Phosphorus levels in material produced to date exceed specification limits. Both phosphorus and sulfur readings reported erroneously in certifications.

Certification reports have shown phosphorus and sulfur levels in the <.01% range. Independent laboratory data confirmed phosphorus in the .018 to .033% range and sulfur in the .005 to .022% range. Actual levels of some tests are above those in PPPL Specification NCSX-CSPEC-141-03-07 Rev 7.

Nonconformance was first suspected as a result of analysis of zoned attached test specimens volunteered by MetalTek International as response to PPPL questions on weighted average chemical analysis and quality of blending in the gating system. Nonconformance was verified on the bars used in the study and has been extended to evaluation of previously poured products.

Root Cause

Specification limits were set below the levels achievable through use of available raw materials. Spectrometer did not properly calibrate for phosphorus and sulfur at levels of specification due to equipment malfunction.

The chemical specification of EIO heats uses alloy CF8MNMn-Mod which incorporates a type standard calibration with a certified reference material (CRM) BS180. This enables the operator of the spectrometer to match the elemental concentrations of this alloy with corrective factors. These factors are determined by analyzing the CRM and having them compared with the calibration curves for each element. The phosphorus and sulfur content have very low measured intensities due to low concentrations. Intermittent failure of the spectrometer intensity measuring card caused higher intensity readings for phosphorus and sulfur. Subsequent checks with the CRM resulted in low corrective factors that were not detected. This in turn resulted in low reported concentrations for the EIO samples. All the major elements, which are measured on other intensity cards, have been closely monitored and matched very well with the CRM and thus were reported correctly.

Corrective Action

Modification to specification for phosphorus and sulfur will be requested. Limits will be set based on process capability and consistent with other stainless steel grades. Replacement of deficient card in spectrometer will be made upon delivery.

Subsequent immediate analysis of chemistry results, obtained by wet analysis, is attached and demonstrate top of specification for sulfur and over specification for phosphorus. The spectrometer manufacturer has performed an analysis to determine the cause of the malfunction and verified that the intensity card has an intermittent fault and must be replaced. The card has been ordered and scheduled for replacement on August 15, 2005.

Until the card is replaced we will be performing additional type standardizations to ensure accurate sulfur and phosphorus analysis. Additionally, for coils made until the card is replaced, an independent laboratory will perform a verification of the chemical analysis.

Verification of Corrective Action

Will be determined at a later date.

Preventive Action

In addition to spectrometer faults, we have identified that the specification ranges for sulfur and phosphorus is unattainable. Analysis and specifications for virgin charge materials predict sulfur at 0.040% maximum and phosphorus at 0.040% maximum. We have no way to remove phosphorus from the melt and do not intentionally add phosphorus. So, the confirmed coil analyses, along with analyses of virgin material heats, demonstrate sulfur in the range of 0.010% to 0.022% and phosphorus in the range of 0.018% to 0.033%. These results are consistent with our charge material analysis. We will request a deviation for phosphorus in the subject parts and also request a permanent specification change to 0.040% maximum for both phosphorus and sulfur, to allow us to provide non-discrepant material. This change will not affect, in any way, the physical properties or material performance because all coils and test material exhibited sulfur and phosphorus within the new ranges despite inaccurate reporting. Other actions: Specifications have been added to the BS 180 standard and the type standard will be measured against the criteria.

Estimated Completion Date

August 15, 2005

Actual Completion Date TBD

Signed: C. Ruud



CC: Jim Galaske, Barry Craig, Joe Edwards, E.J. Kubick

Guide to St Louis Testing Report Dated 7-26-05

Sample name	Sample origin
A1Z1	Cast on bar A-1 coil, zone 1
A1Z2	Cast on bar A-1 coil, zone 2
A1Z3	Cast on bar A-1 coil, zone 3
C1	Cast on bar C-1 coil
C2Z1	Cast on bar C-2 coil, zone 1
C2Z2	Cast on bar C-2 coil, zone 2
C2Z3	Cast on bar C-2 coil, zone 3
C3Z1	Cast on bar C-3 coil, zone 1
C3Z2	Cast on bar C-3 coil, zone 2
C3Z3	Cast on bar C-3 coil, zone 3
F1	Final analysis button from ladle for C-4 coil
F2	Final analysis button from ladle for C-4 coil
F3	Final analysis button from ladle for C-4 coil
P1	Preliminary analysis button from ladle for C-4 coil

Testing is underway of the heat used to pour the four C coil and six A coil shims.



Addendum to CA1323 8-17-05

Historical:

The proto type coil was poured on February 24, 2004. The chemistry specification at that time permitted a maximum of 0.04% for sulfur and phosphorus. The reported values for these elements were 0.01 and 0.02% respectively.

Prior to pouring the C-1 coil casting the specification was revised. MT failed to incorporate the revisions into our system. The contract review procedure did not detect the changes to the specification. Therefore normal change procedures were not implemented. This was reported in corrective action 1308 on June 13, 2005. The error was recognized when the material poured to cast C and A coil shims did not meet the revised specification.

An investigation was begun immediately to determine compliance of the C-1 and C-2 coils. It was determined that both the C-1 and C-2 met the revised chemistry, except for sulfur and phosphorus. To verify the analysis MT analyzed samples from the cast on bars taken from the coils. By this time the optical card had malfunctioned. This fact, in combination with the human error (believing that the type standard was also in the 0.002% range) led MT to believe that the sulfur and phosphorus were actually in the 0.002% range. As a result MT believed the coils to be compliant and no action was taken.

Current Activities:

Samples from A-1, C-4 and C-5 have been sent to Wisconsin Centrifugal, our parent company for independent analysis of all reported elements.

Repair to the spectrometer is scheduled for this week. In the mean time we continue our surveillance of the suspect elements during melt and chemistry analysis.

C. Ruud

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CC: Jim Galaske, Barry Craig, Joe Edwards, E.J. Kubick



Attachment to
CA 1323

Chemical, Metallurgical, Mechanical, Nondestructive, Environmental Testing, Analyses and Field Service.

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Attention: Chuck Ruud

REPORT OF CHEMICAL ANALYSIS

SAMPLE ID: A1 Z1, A1 Z2, A1 Z3, C1, C2 Z1, C2 Z2, C2 Z3,
C3 Z1, C3 Z2, C3 Z3, F1, F2, F3, P1

RESULTS: %

ANALYTE	A1Z1	A1Z2	A1Z3
Sulfur	.013	.005	.010
Phosphorus	.025	.023	.018

ANALYTE	C1	C2Z1	C2Z2	C2Z3
Sulfur	.014	.022	.018	.015
Phosphorus	.018	.024	.021	.025

ANALYTE	C3Z1	C3Z2	C3Z3
Sulfur	.013	.014	.012
Phosphorus	.024	.025	.021

ANALYTE	F1	F2	F3	P1
Sulfur	.014	.015	.012	.010
Phosphorus	.029	.033	.028	.030

Sulfur Test Method: ASTM E1019-03

Phosphorous Test Method: Colormetric

Identification of tested specimen provided by the client.

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Corrective Action 1347
Carondelet Division - CA / PA / RGA Database
Corrective Action Type NCR
Date 8/1/2005
CA Originator C. Ruud
Applies to: A-1Coil

Description of Defect / Non-Conformance

Wall thickness below model minimum. Localized areas were measured below the 1.375" minimum wall thickness during metrology. MetalTek independently verified wall thickness and confirmed condition.

Root Cause

Cannot be determined at this time. Under evaluation.

Corrective Action

Request "Use As Is" disposition on wall thickness related dimensions on A-1 coil.

Verification of Corrective Action

Not required. PPPL independently verified in conjunction with ORNL the design performance at a wall thickness of 1.05". Results were deemed adequate. Minimum measured dimension is 1.18" (to be verified).

Preventive Action

Several steps need to be taken to resolve and propose:

1. Validation of 3D Scanco data. MetalTek proposes to use Romer Arm with Laser scanner as validation technique. This instrument will be used to validate subsequent parts and minimizes measurement technique error. Date TBD.
2. Report to PPPL/ORNL. Understanding the concern that the wall not be thinner than measured and the limitations of the process, e.g. setting a large core into a mold with overhead crane, MetalTek will submit layout results to EIO and set teleconference to review remediations to tool. Date TBD.
3. Upon verification of 3D Scanco data, MetalTek will confirm results to EIO team to begin root cause determination. Additional layout may be required to assure compliance of tooling, depending on results of layout. Date TBD.
4. Modification to tooling. Limited tooling modifications may be performed without severely impacting schedule or negating previous engineering (solidification modeling, etc.). These will be evaluated and proposed, where appropriate.
5. Permanent deviation. Based on results of above, a permanent deviation may be required to dimensional tolerances in limited areas of the component. These will be known in greater detail later.

Estimated Completion Date TBD

Actual Completion Date TBD

Signed: C. Ruud

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CC: Roger Broman, Barry Craig, Joe Edwards, E.J. Kubick

NCSX Disposition to CA 1347

Analyses were performed to determine the effect of the thin section on deflections and stresses and are summarized below.

- Thin shell areas like that of A1 **has an extremely minor affect on the stresses and displacements in ANY of the coils or shells** with the thickness being either 1.18" as for A1 or even with the thickness being 1.05" which MTK projects is the minimum if the shell is not changed. Reasons:
 - a) The shape of the tee is not changed by this, and the tee provides most of the bending stiffness
 - b) Some EM forces are transferred to the shell B from the wing.
 - c) The thin wall region is not the location for the peak stress and much of the area will be machined away.

Run #	Configuration	Shell Type A		Coil Type A		All Coils	
		Max.	Max.	Max.	Max.	Max.	Max.
		Displacement - mm	Stress - Mpa	Displacement - mm	Stress - Mpa	Displacement - mm	Stress - Mpa
1	Baseline	0.98	168	1.246	239	2.711	239
5	Updated E	1.17	160	1.513	248	2.934	248
6	Updated E; thin sect. =1.18"	1.169	161	1.516	249	2.984	249
4	Updated E; thin sect. =1.05"	1.168	161	1.517	248	2.971	248

Since the effect has been shown to be extremely minor, the disposition for the A1 winding form is **Accept As Is**.

However, since the root cause determination is still underway, this NCR should be kept open. It is requested that EIO re-issue an amended CA with the root cause determination and preventive action; PPPL will disposition that portion of the NCR at that time.

Approved:

Phil Heitzenroeder
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Corrective Action 1371
Carondelet Division - CA / PA / RGA Database
Corrective Action Type NCR
Date 8/23/2005
CA Originator R. Suria
Applies to: A-1Coil

Description of Defect / Non-Conformance

Lack of fusion and porosity in weld repairs were observed during radiography of the R-2 through R-6 x-ray confirmation shots.

Root Cause

Porosity was caused by the use of fans in the welding booth. Lack of fusion was the result of poor operator technique and or fatigue. Some repair loops resulted from the original defects not fully being removed during excavation.

Corrective Action

Unplug fans during GMAW welding. Reviewed proper GMAW gun angles and excavation techniques with the welders.

Verification of Corrective Action

Re x-ray the defective welds.

Estimated Completion Date

8/31/05

Actual Completion Date

8/31/05

Signed: R. Suria

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CC: Barry Craig, Joe Edwards, E.J. Kubick

MetalTek International*Carondelet Division - CA / PA / RGA Database***Corrective Action****1324**

Corrective Action Type FOR CASTING DISCONTINUITIES

Date 7/18/2005

CA Originator C. Ruud

Pattern Number: A-1 Coil

Description of Defect / Non-Conformance

98 major weld defects found in the A-1 coil casting.

Root Cause : Casting defects primarily due gas and shrink.**Corrective Action:** Weld upgrade A1 casting. Welding will be performed following the approved procedure FOR WELDS <2" - WPS 10-SMAW-CF8MNMN MOD REV 1. FOR WELDS <8" - WPS 15-GMAW-CF8MNMN MOD REV 2.**Verification of Corrective Action:** All repairs will be verified by the inspection method used to discover the original defect.**Preventive Action:** We will use the xray information from the A1 casting to determine if changes are required to the tooling.**Verification Of Preventative Action:** Radiograph A-2 coil and compare results.**Estimated Implementation Date:** Prior to shipment.

Signed: CA Ruud

CC: EIO, Barry Craig, Joe Edwards, E.J. Kubick, Geoff Mergel, File

Disposition for CA 1324: Perform weld upgrades per MTM procedures.

Approved:

Tech. Representative

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29 August 2005

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SUBJECT: Subcontract S005242-F
Corrective Action 1324

Dear Ms. Horton:

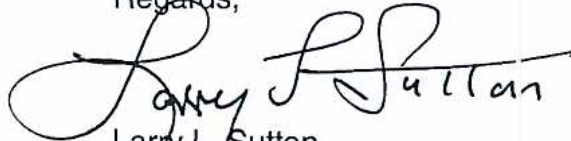
Attached is:

Corrective Action 1324 "For Casting Discontinuities," submitted 18 July 2005
by Mr. C. Rudd, MetalTek International, with

The Princeton Technical Representative's and the NCSX Modular Coil
Winding Form's Responsible Line Manager's approval, dated 25 August
2005 attached.

If there are any questions pertaining to this matter, I may be contacted at (609)
243-2441, telefax (609) 243-2021, or by e-mail lsutton@pppl.gov.

Regards,

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Larry L. Sutton
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