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To: All Employers Currently Participating in MCA Ontario's Standard
Provincial Welding Procedures Program

From: S Coleman, Executive Vice-President

Re: Recent Program Amendments/Update

We are writing to advise that a number of key policy amendments were adopted by MCAO in relation to this program (via the new MCAO/OPTC Provincial Collective Agreement); and that "costs" are now covered (by MCAO) under the program only in relation to MCAO's new Standard Provincial Carbon Steel Procedure (MCAO F3F4-07).

In summary, the program will continue to provide broad value and cost savings to all Contractor Participants as follows:

- **Eliminates the Cost/Time Burdens of Duplicate/Repetitive Testing**
(ie a participating Contractor (operating anywhere in the province) does not have to have a welder tested to one of the MCAO Standard Provincial Procedures – if that welder has already been tested to that procedure (anywhere else in the province within the past year).
- **Covers All Costs For Tests in relation to MCAO's Standard Provincial Carbon Steel Procedure (MCAO F3F4-07)**
(ie TSSA Fee, Test Facility & Materials Fees; Welder's time in completing the Test).

The Program currently includes the following procedures that have been fully approved by the TSSA. These procedures, in most instances, cover 85 – 90% of all member contractor welding requirements.

- Carbon Steel:

MCAO F3F4-07 (SMAW 6010/7018; .0625 to .688) – MCAO covers all costs re:
tests to this procedure only)

MCAO F6F4 (GTAW/SMAW; .0625 to .684)

MCAO F6F4CS (GTAW/SMAW; .0625 to .75)

MCAO F4-1 (SMAW 7018; .0625 to .688)

MCAS CS-2 (SMAW 7018; .0625 to .75)

MCAS CS-3 (GTAW; .0625 to .75)

MCAO F60FW (OFW; .0625 to .436)

- StainlesSteel:

MCAO F6F5 (GTAW/SMAW; .0625 to .308)

MCAO F6F5SS (GTAW/SMAW; .0625 to .75)

MCAO P8FW (GTAW; .05 to .10)

MCAS SS-1 (GTAW; .0625 to .75)

MCAS SS-2 (SMAW; .0625 to .75)

- Brazing:

MCAO BZCUCU (1.0 & up dia.; .0325 to .13)

MCAO BZCU1 (.25 to 3.5 dia.; .015 to .13)

(Note: MCAO's Welding Procedures Committee routinely reviews it's inventory of procedures; and welcomes recommendations regarding additions/deletions to it. We generally, however, do not add specialty/custom procedures to the program).

A copy of the new MCAO F3F4-07 Procedure has been enclosed (for your information/records); along with a memo clarifying the newly adopted "billings" process; and related/revised Employer Invoice Form.

Should you, at this time require copies of any of the other standard provincial procedures now in our inventory, please be sure to give us a call.