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April 13, 2017

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SUBJECT: MIXED OXIDE FUEL FABRICATION FACILITY- NRC INSPECTION REPORT

NUMBER 70-3098/2017-001

Dear Mr. Del Vecchio:

During the period from January 1, 2017, through March 31, 2017, the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed inspections pertaining to the construction of the Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility. The purpose of the inspections was to determine whether activities authorized by the construction authorization and license application were conducted safely and in accordance with NRC requirements. The enclosed inspection report documents the inspection results. At the conclusion of the inspections, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

The inspections examined activities conducted under your construction authorization and license application as they relate to safety and compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your authorization. The inspectors reviewed selected procedures and records, observed construction activities, and interviewed personnel.

Based on the results of this inspection, no violations or deviations were identified. In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of NRC's "Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this letter and its enclosure may be accessed through the NRC's public electronic reading room, Agency-Wide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS) on the internet at <a href="http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html">http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html</a>.

Thank you for your response dated March 16, 2017, to the Notice of Violation (NOV) issued on February 2, 2017, (70-3098/2016-004-001). The Notice of Violation was in regard to the inspection conducted October 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016 at your Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility (MFFF). We acknowledge receipt of your reply to NRC Inspection Report No. 70-3098/2016-004. We have evaluated your response to the violation that was identified during the inspection and found that it meets the requirements of 10 CFR 2.201. Your proposed corrective actions appear to be adequate. The violation will remain open until we have verified implementation of your corrective actions during future inspections.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact us.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Michael Ernstes, Chief Construction Inspection Branch 3 Division of Construction Oversight

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## **U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

#### **REGION II**

Docket No.: 70-3098

Construction

Authorization No.: CAMOX-001

Report No.: 70-3098/2017-001

Applicant: CB&I AREVA MOX Services

Location: Savannah River Site

Aiken, South Carolina

Inspection Dates: January 1 – March 31, 2017

Inspectors: J. Hamman, Acting Senior Resident Inspector, Construction

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Construction Inspection Branch 3 Division of Construction Oversight

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

CB&I AREVA MOX Services (MOX Services)
Mixed Oxide (MOX) Fuel Fabrication Facility (MFFF)
NRC Inspection Report (IR) Number (No.) 70-3098/2017-001

The scope of the inspections encompassed a review of various MFFF activities related to Quality Level (QL)-1 (safety-related) construction for conformance to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) regulations, the Construction Authorization Request (CAR), the MOX Project Quality Assurance Plan (MPQAP), applicable sections of the license application (LA) and applicable industry codes and standards. This inspection included, as applicable, the following inspection attributes: Corrective action program, test control, special processes, procedures, and installation.

The following principle systems, structures and components (PSSCs) are discussed in this inspection report:

- PSSC-011, Electrolyzer Structure
- PSSC-021, Fire Barriers
- PSSC-024, Glovebox
- PSSC-026, Guide Sleeves
- PSSC-039, Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) Insulator
- PSSC-041. Process Cells

# **Routine Resident Inspections**

The inspectors routinely reviewed the applicant's weekly construction status package, reviewed the status of work packages maintained at various work sites, conducted daily tours of work and material storage areas, observed installation of mechanical equipment, and reviewed various corrective action documents to assess the adequacy of the MOX Services' corrective action program. Construction activities were performed in a safe and quality-related manner. No findings were identified. (Section 2)

#### **PSSC Inspections**

#### PSSC-021, Fire Barriers

The inspectors reviewed construction activities related to PSSC-021, Fire Barriers, as described in Table 5.6-1 of the MFFF CAR for item relied on for safety (IROFS) fire damper HVV\*DMPF0203D-03. This inspection was for the installation of concrete spacing material for the damper penetration. The inspection attribute reviewed was installation. The inspectors independently verified that concrete panel placement and orientation was in accordance with design drawings, proper torqueing of anchor bolts, torque wrench calibration, and QC installation verification measurements. No findings were identified. (Section 3.a)

PSSC-024, Glovebox

PSSC-011, Electrolyzer Structure

PSSC-026, Guide Sleeves

PSSC-039, Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) Insulator

The inspectors reviewed construction activities related to PSSC-024, Glovebox as described in Table 5.6-1 of the MFFF CAR. As these inspections were related to the installation of the

Electrolyzer glovebox as a whole unit and the installation of trolley rails in the NTM glovebox. The internal components and structure of the electrolyzer were also within the scope of the inspection. The electrolyzer structure included PSSC-011 and the internal components of the electrolyzer included PSSC-026, Guide Sleeves, and PSSC 39, PTFE Insulator, as described in Table 5.6-1 of the MFFF CAR. The inspection attribute observed was installation. The inspectors independently measured the installation of the electrolyzer glovebox KDB \*GB1000 in room C-322 and KDD\*GB2000 in room C-335 to verify whether the location, placement, and orientation of the glovebox was in accordance with design drawings. The inspectors also reviewed a sample of welds for the glovebox seismic feet. The inspectors reviewed work activities for trolley rail placement in glovebox NTM\*GB30000, including work package place keeping, QC hold point observation, foreign material exclusion controls, and material issue and control. No findings were identified. (Section 3.b)

## PSSC-041, Process Cells

The inspectors reviewed construction activities related to PSSC-041, Process Cells, as described in Table 5.6-1 of the MFFF CAR. The inspection attributes observed were procedures and installation. The associated IROFS component was drip tray LGF\*DRIP6900 in Room C-242. The inspectors reviewed work package content, place keeping, weld map, final weld size, and general channel layout. No findings were identified. (Section 3.c)

#### **REPORT DETAILS**

# 1. Summary of Facility Status

During the inspection period, the applicant CB&I AREVA MOX Services (MOX Services), continued construction activities of principal systems, structures and components (PSSCs). Construction activities continued related to closure of temporary construction openings (TCOs) of walls in the MOX Processing Building (BMP). Other construction activities included staging of process piping and installation of supports in the Aqueous Polishing Building (BAP) and BMP; installation of process piping in the BAP; installation of ventilation system ductwork and supports in the BAP and BMP; installation of drip trays in the BAP; installation of fire dampers in the BAP and BMP; and installation of various gloveboxes in the BAP and BMP. The applicant continued to receive, store, assemble, and test glove boxes and process equipment at the Process Assembly Facility (PAF).

# 2. Routine Resident Inspection Activities

a. <u>Inspection Procedure (IP) 88130, Construction: Resident Inspection Program for On-Site Construction Activities at the Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility</u>

#### (1) Scope and Observations

The inspectors routinely reviewed the applicant's construction weekly status meeting notes. The inspectors held discussions with MOX Services design engineers, field engineers, quality assurance (QA) and quality control (QC) personnel, and subcontractor construction personnel in order to maintain current knowledge of construction activities and any problems or concerns.

The inspectors reviewed the status of work packages (WPs) maintained at various work sites.

The inspectors reviewed various corrective action documents. The review included non-conformance reports (NCRs) and condition reports (CRs). The inspectors also reviewed the closure of NCR-17-7470. This NCR was related to loose flange bolts for emergency supply air ducts. Specifically, the licensee could not find objective evidence that the flanged connections received final QC inspection. The inspectors reviewed the completed action for the NCR, which was additional steps created for the work package that documented rework to assure snug tight requirements were met, construction engineer witnessing of snug tight requirements, and QC verification of snug tight requirements.

The inspectors routinely performed tours of the MOX Fuel Fabrication Facility (MFFF) work areas to observe ongoing work activities and communications.

## (2) Conclusions

Construction activities were performed in a safe and quality-related manner. No findings were identified.

# 3. PSSC Inspections

# a. PSSC-021, Fire Barriers (IP 88136, Construction: Mechanical Components)

# (1) Scope and Observations

The inspectors reviewed construction activities related to PSSC-021, Fire Barriers, as described in Table 5.6-1 of the MFFF Construction Authorization Request (CAR) for item relied on for safety (IROFS) fire damper HVV\*DMPF0203D-03. This inspection was for the installation of concrete spacing material for the damper penetration. The inspection attribute reviewed was installation. The inspectors independently verified that concrete panel placement and orientation was in accordance with design drawings, proper torqueing of anchor bolts, torque wrench calibration, and QC installation verification measurements.

## (2) Conclusion

No findings were identified.

b. PSSC-024, Glovebox (IP 88136, Construction: Mechanical Components)

PSSC-011, Electrolyzer Structure (IP 88136, Construction: Mechanical Components)

PSSC-026, Guide Sleeves (IP 88136, Construction: Mechanical Components)

PSSC-039, Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) Insulator (IP 88136, Construction: Mechanical Components)

## (1) Scope and Observations

The inspectors reviewed construction activities related to PSSC-024, Glovebox as described in Table 5.6-1 of the MFFF CAR. As these inspections were related to the installation of the Electrolyzer glovebox as a whole unit, the internal components of the electrolyzer were also within the scope of the inspection. The internal components of the electrolyzer include PSSC-026, Guide Sleeves, and PSSC-039. Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) Insulator, as described in Table 5.6-1 of the MFFF CAR. The inspection attribute observed was installation. The inspectors independently measured the installation of the electrolyzer glovebox KDB \*GB1000 in room C-322 and KDD\*GB2000 in room C-335 to verify whether the location, placement, and orientation of the glovebox was in accordance with design drawings. The inspectors also reviewed a sample of welds for the glovebox seismic feet. The inspectors reviewed the electrolyzer structure (PSSC-11) to ensure internal components of KDB \*GB1000 and KDD\*GB2000 were located and oriented in accordance with design drawings. The inspectors confirmed PTFE insulators were installed in accordance with design documents (PSSC-039). The inspectors also reviewed elementary tests on Glovebox KDD\*GB1000, which documented completion of electrical insulation checks on the glovebox, thereby verifying electrolyzer insulation (PSSC-026). The inspectors also reviewed a sample of sections of the glovebox receiving inspection report for individual electrolyzer glovebox components.

The inspectors reviewed in-process work activities for trolley rail placement in glovebox NTM\*GB3000, including work package place keeping, QC hold point observation, foreign material exclusion controls, and material issue and control. The inspectors also reviewed placement of a Quality Level 2 (QL-2) platform over Quality Level 1 (QL-1) glovebox NTM\*GB3000 for proper fit and clearance.

# (2) Conclusion

No findings were identified.

c. <u>PSSC-041, Process Cells (IP 88136, Construction: Mechanical Components)</u>

# (1) Scope and Observations

The inspectors reviewed construction activities related to PSSC-041, Process Cells, as described in Table 5.6-1 of the MFFF CAR. The inspection attributes observed were procedures and installation. The associated IROFS component was drip tray LGF\*DRIP6900 in Room C-242. The inspectors reviewed work package content, place keeping, weld map, final weld size, and general channel layout.

# (2) <u>Conclusions</u>

No findings were identified.

# 4. Exit Meeting

The inspection scope and results were summarized throughout this reporting period by the Senior Resident Inspector at an exit meeting with applicant management on April 5, 2017. Although proprietary documents and processes may have been reviewed during this inspection, the proprietary nature of these documents or processes was not included in this report.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

## 1. PARTIAL LIST OF PERSONS CONTACTED

- D. Del Vecchio, President and Chief Operating Officer
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- D. Gwyn, Licensing/Nuclear Safety Manager
- D. Ivey, Project Assurance Manager
- J. Keklak, QA Manager
- R. Morgan, System One
- E. Radford, Regulatory Compliance
- G. Rousseau, Executive Vice President, Deputy Project Manager
- J. Starling, Nuclear Safety
- B. Wood, Vice President, Construction and Project Management
- D. Yates, Licensing

# 2. INSPECTION PROCEDURES (IPs) USED

IP 88130 Resident Inspection Program For On-Site Construction

Activities at the Mixed-Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility

IP 88136 Mechanical Components

# 3. <u>LIST OF ITEMS OPENED, CLOSED, AND DISCUSSED</u>

Item Number Status Description

None

## 4. LIST OF ACRONYMS USED

ADAMS Agency-Wide Document Access and Management

System

BAP Aqueous Polishing Building BMP MOX Processing Building

CAR Construction Authorization Request CIB3 Construction Inspection Branch 3

CR Condition Report

DCO Division of Construction Oversight

ECR Engineering Change Request

GB Glovebox

HVAC Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning HVV HVAC, Shipping & Receiving Building

IR Inspection Report

IROFS Items Relied on for Safety

KDB Dissolution Unit

KDD Dechlorination and Dissolution Unit

LA License Application

LGF Laboratory Liquid Waste Receipt Unit

MFFF MOX Fuel Fabrication Facility

MOX Mixed Oxide

MOX Services **CB&I AREVA MOX Services** 

MPQAP MOX Project Quality Assurance Plan

NCR Non-conformance Report

Number No.

NRC **Nuclear Regulatory Commission** 

NTM Jar Storage and Handling PAF Process Assembly Facility

PP **Project Procedure** 

PSSC(s) Principle System(s), Structure(s), and Component(s)

PTFE Polytetrafluoroethylene QA **Quality Assurance** QC **Quality Control** Quality Level QL Quality Level 1 QL-1 QL-2 Quality Level 2 Region II RII Rev. Revision

**Temporary Construction Opening** TCO

WP Work Package

#### 5. LIST OF PSSCs REVIEWED

PSSC-011, Electrolyzer Structure

PSSC-021, Fire Barriers

PSSC-024, Glovebox

PSSC-026, Guide Sleeves

PSSC-039, Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) Insulator

PSSC-041, Process Cells

#### 6. **RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS REVIEWED**

# **Condition Reports**

10888-MOX-CR-16-181 QC hold point violation

10888-MOX-CR-17-066, (NRC Identified) Incorrect material storage level

10888-MOX-CR-17-083, Housekeeping and FME controls

10888-MOX-CR-17-086, Incomplete fusion of welds

10888-MOX-CR-17-092, Minimum weld size not met per code requirements

10888-MOX-CR-17-095, No objective evidence of QC inspection of HAS duct flanges in

room B360 following remedial action

10888-MOX-CR-17-099, Condition Report investigation review

10888-MOX-CR-17-114, Marking and use of stainless steel tools

10888-MOX-CR-17-116, Improper storage

10888-MOX-CR-17-117, Grinding to repair base metal damage

## **Drawings**

DCS01-HVV-DS-SCH-V-12511, Piping and Instrument Diagram HVAC Shipping and Receiving Building (HVV) Supply Air Handling Unit for 75 Deg F Rooms and Exhaust Fans. Rev 6 Sheet 1 of 1.

DCS01-KDD-MG-PLI-M-10150, KDD \*GB1000 Electrolyzer Glovebox, Rev. 2

DCS01-KDD-MG-PLE-M-02101, Electrolyzer KDD\*EZR1000 and KDD\*EZR2000 Electrolyzer EZR Subassembly View, Rev. 1

DCS01-KDD-MG-PLE-M-10100, KDD\*GB1000 Electrolyzer Glovebox General Arrangement, Rev. 2

DCS01-ZMU-MG-PLE-M-70674, Electrolyzer Glovebox Electrolyzer EZR Sub-Critical Geometry Drawing, Rev. 1

DCS01-ECB-DS-SCE-E-26009, MOX Fuel Fabrication Facility 480VAC AP Process Switchgear ECB-SWG-1300 & ECB-SWG-2300 One-Line Diagram, Rev 10

# **Engineering Change Requests (ECRs)**

ECR 0030608 Revision to Concrete Testing Requirements, Rev. 1

# Nonconformance Reports (NCRs)

10888-MOX-NCR-17-7406, Damaged Structocrete board

10888-MOX-NCR-17-7470, (Closure review) No Objective Evidence of QC final Inspection

# <u>Miscellaneous</u>

DCS01-AAS-DS-ANS-H-38393, Nuclear Safety Evaluation of NPH and EMMH Events Rev. 6

Status of the CBI/AREVA MOX Services, LLC Quality Assurance Program, Reporting Period 042, 1 July 2015 through 31 December 2015

Status of the CBI/AREVA MOX Services, LLC Quality Assurance Program, Reporting Period 042, 1 January 2016 through 30 June 2016

#### Other IROFS Specific Documents

## <u>Damper HVV\*DMPF0203D-03</u>

Work Package 16-BSR0207-PEN0001-V-7973 Calculation DCS01-BMF-DS-CAL-B-01385-0, Fire Damper Penetration Barrier, Rev 0

#### Glovebox NTM\*GB3000

Work Packet 14-CP-24-NTM-PE-M-1357-T53

Work Packet 15-NTM-GB-M-4592-T04

# Drip Tray LGF\*DRIP6900

Work Package 16-CP20-242DRIP-TRAY-C-8222-01

# **Project Procedures**

PP04-10, Rev. 4, ICN01, Hot Work Activities

PP09-39, Rev. 5, Verification of Subcritical Dimensions for Subcriticality Safety

PP10-37, Rev. 3, ICN03, Control of Issued Material

PP10-38, Rev. 2, ICN01, Storage and Control of Material

PP11-33, Rev. 0, Housekeeping and Work Area Cleanliness

PP12-40, Rev. 0, Preventive Maintenance of in-storage or Installed Equipment during

the Construction Phase

# **Specifications**

DCS01-BKA-DS-SPE-B-09330-8, Placing Concrete and Reinforcing Steel for Quality Level 1, 2, 3, and 4, Rev. 8

DCS01-BKA-DS-SPE-B-09325-6, Mixing and Delivering for Quality Level QL-1 and QL-2 Concrete, Rev. 6