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Following the privatisation of the Central Electricity Generating Board (CEGB), the suite of welding procedures contained in their Generation Operation Memorandum (GOM) 104 became the shared property of CEGB successor companies. In 1994, the successor companies, represented by the Electricity Generators Welding Panel (EGWP), confirmed that when implementing these procedures, the same level of technical and quality control would be exercised by each of the successor companies. Under what circumstances may SAFed member companies continue to accept GOM 104 procedures presented by CEGB successor companies for work carried out on pressure equipment at ex CEGB stations?

GUIDANCE

SAFed member companies may accept GOM 104 procedures presented by CEGB successor companies for work carried out on pressure equipment at ex CEGB stations provided that the following conditions are met:

- A. The EGWP member company can demonstrate conclusively that welding is under at least the same level of technical and quality control as that previously adopted by the CEGB. In particular, that their quality procedures identify the EGWP member company personnel responsible for welding tasks together with the level of competence and degree of involvement required in overseeing welding activities.
- B. All welding performed and approved by ex CEGB GOM 104 procedures is the complete responsibility of the particular EGWP member company in question and to this end documentation is available demonstrating, in particular, how control and authority is implemented on site.
- C. Welding certification has been updated accordingly to reflect any company name change and technical equivalence to the latest/current edition of the relevant welding standard.