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**Interpretation: XI-1-13-24**

Subject: IWA-2210 (2013 Edition) and Case N-823

Date Issued: January 23, 2014

File: 13-1241

Question (1): Is it the intent of IWA-2210 or Case N-823 that there are no illumination, distance, angle-of-view, and resolution demonstration requirements for VT-2 visual examinations?

Reply (1): Yes.

Question (2): Is it the intent of IWA-2210 or Case N-823 that there are no angle-of-view requirements for VT-3 visual examinations?

Reply (2): Yes.

**Interpretation: XI-1-13-25**

Subject: IWE-1230 (1992 Edition With the 1992 Addenda Through the 2013 Edition)

Date Issued: March 7, 2014

File: 13-2137

Question (1): Is it a requirement of IWE-1230 that the containment surface covered by thermal insulation be considered accessible for general visual examination in accordance with Table IWE-2500-1, Examination Category E-A?

Reply (1): No.

Question (2): Is it a requirement of IWE-1230 that the containment surface covered by thermal insulation be considered accessible for augmented examination in accordance with Table IWE-2500-1, Examination Category E-C, if these surfaces are subject to accelerated degradation and aging?

Reply (2): Yes.

**Interpretation: XI-1-13-26**

Subject: Case N-661-1, Para. 5(b)

Date Issued: March 7, 2014

File: 14-168

Question: Does Case N-661-1, para. 5(b), prohibit repairing through-wall leaks by installing a metal plug into the through-wall opening and seal welding?

Reply: No.

**Interpretation: XI-1-13-27**

Subject: Cases N-770-1 Through N-770-3, Paras. -1100 and -1210

Date Issued: March 10, 2014

File: 14-382

Question: Is it a requirement of paras. -1100 and -1210 of Cases N-770-1 through N-770-3 that the Case applies to Examination Category B-J branch connection welds in piping?

Reply: No. Cases N-770-1 through N-770-3 only apply to circumferential butt welds, as shown in Fig. 1 of the Case.

**Interpretation: XI-1-13-28**

Subject: Table IWB-2500-1, Examination Category B-K, Item B10.10 (1995 Edition With the 1996 Addenda Through the 2013 Edition)

Date Issued: April 1, 2014

File: 14-167

Question: Is it a requirement of Table IWB-2500-1, Examination Category B-K, Item B10.10, to perform a surface examination of the weld buildup on a nozzle associated with the vessel support if the weld buildup does not weld any attachment to the nozzle?

Reply: No.