AWS D1.1 Interpretation

Subject: Valid Level III Certification
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Code Provision: Subsection 6.7.8.1 and Commentary C6.7.8
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Inquiry: (1) In reference to 6.7.8.1 of D1.1-94, can a NDT Level III individual independently perform a nondestructive examination, if he was previously certified as a Level II technician and now has been certified as a NDT Level III by successfully completing the Basic, Method, and Specific examination as required by SNT-TC-1A?
(2) Is it the intent of subsection 6.7.8.2 of D1.1-94 to require that all NDT Level III personnel must have been certified by written examination by either successfully completing the written examinations administered by ASNT or by completing the examinations required by the SNT-TC-1A document?

Response: (1) Yes, Level III individuals may also perform NDT test provided they meet the requirements of NDT Level II. (This is from Commentary C6.7.8).
(2) Yes, the Level III must be qualified by written examination (see Commentary.)