AWS D1.1 Interpretation

Subject: Qualification Responsibility
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Inquiry: (1) Can a subcontractor use the manufacturer’s qualified WPS to perform welder qualification testing?
(2) Can the manufacturer’s Engineer, documenting a specific qualified WPS, accept subcontractor’s welder qualification test based on the same manufacturer’s specific qualified WPS including performance qualification to other standards?

Response: (1) Yes, for the purposes of welder qualification.
(2) Yes, per Section 4.21, and only if 1.3.1 is satisfied.