AWS D1.1 Interpretation

Subject: Nationally Approved NDT Qualification Schemes
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Inquiry: If NDT operators are qualified to other nationally approved NDT certification schemes, such as that of the South African Qualification and Certification Committee for NDT (SAQCC-NDT), and are operating within a manufacturer’s quality assurance program with its own section on NDT training, qualification and certification, would AWS consider that its requirements had been met?

Response: Refer to 6.7.8 of D1.1-90. The owner has the prerogative to compare the South African NDT requirements to ASNT-TC-1A. If their requirements meet or exceed the ASNT-TC-1A requirements, then it meets the intent of the AWS D1.1 Code.