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TO: PARTIES INTERESTED IN EVALUATION REPORTS ON NARROW-GAP IMPROVED ELECTROSLAG WELDING (NGI-ESW)

SUBJECT: Proposed Acceptance Criteria for Narrow-gap Improved Electroslag Welding (NGI-ESW), Subject AC411-0209-R1 (DP/BG)

Dear Madam or Sir:

On February 5, 2009, the proposed new acceptance criteria, Subject AC411-0209-R1, was held for further study by the ICC-ES Evaluation Committee. A description of the welding process was provided by the proponent during the public hearing. Staff noted that further discussions are needed with the applicant to define the scope of the product and/or process to be recognized. In addition, staff expressed concerns about keeping the scope of the acceptance criteria and subsequent evaluation report within a defined boundary that will enable the applicant and ICC-ES to be involved in any processes to ensure that they are properly performed and that resulting product(s) comply with the requirements set forth within the evaluation report. Therefore, staff recommended this item be held for further study to enable refinement of the criteria's scope and requirements. Staff expects to present a revised acceptance criteria for Evaluation Committee consideration at a later date.

If you have any questions, please contact David Pereg, Staff Engineer, at (800) 423-6587, extension 3275. You may also reach us by e-mail at es@icc-es.org.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kurt Stochlia'.

Kurt Stochlia, P.E.
Vice President

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cc: Evaluation Committee