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Productivity Practices Working Group: Best Practices Sharing from the Industry Members

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1. Introduction to the Working Group

Objective

- ▶ Develop list of productivity good practices in identified areas which requires minimum resource investment to implement.

Members

- ▶ Plant owners: ExxonMobil, Mitsui Phenols, Shell, SRC
- ▶ Contractors: Mun Siong, PEC, Rotary, Sankyu
- ▶ ASPRI

Approach

- ▶ Members to share current practices vs benchmark
 - ▶ Understand/challenge existing constraints of implementation (both owner and contractor)
- ▶ Rank the practices; **prioritize 1 or max 2 practices** for each area
- ▶ Implementation is voluntary.

Focus Area

- ▶ Permitting, minimize break hours impact, reduce travelling time

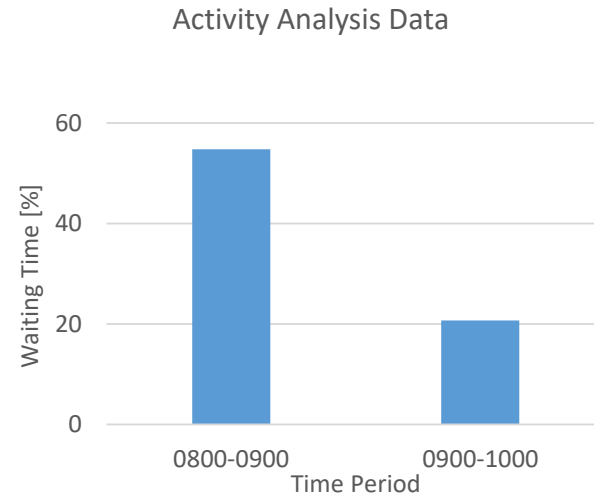
2. Practice 1: Permitting

► Opportunity

- Significant waiting time for Work Permits issuance (0800-0900)

► Permit Survey

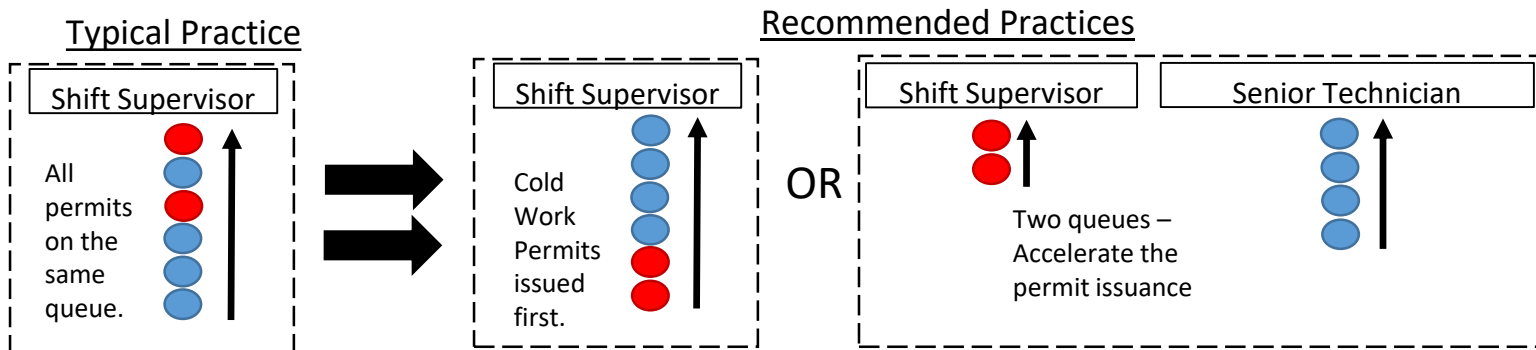
- Most plant owners with only one designated permit issuer per shift
- Hot Work/Cold Work permits on the same queue, long waiting time.
- Some plant owners with following good practices:
 - Structure in place to prioritize approving of non-critical cold work permit
 - Senior process technicians trained and qualified to approve permits



2. Practice 1: Permitting

► Recommended Practices

- Issuance of Cold Work Permit first before Hot Work Permits.
 - Cold work permits comprise bulk of permits, majority of workforce
- Qualify Senior Technicians to issue Non-Critical Cold Work Permits.
 - More than one permit issuer will shorten waiting time



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- Cold Work Permits
- Hot Work Permits

3. Practice 2: Tack Welding

▶ Opportunity

- 6G welding qualification a perceived requirement for tack welding during pipe fitting preparation work for the full weld
- Higher demand for 6G qualified welders in projects and turnaround
 - Significant waiting time spent by 6G welders during pipe fitting preparation work.
 - 6G welding resource not fully optimized.

▶ Pipefitting & Welding Survey

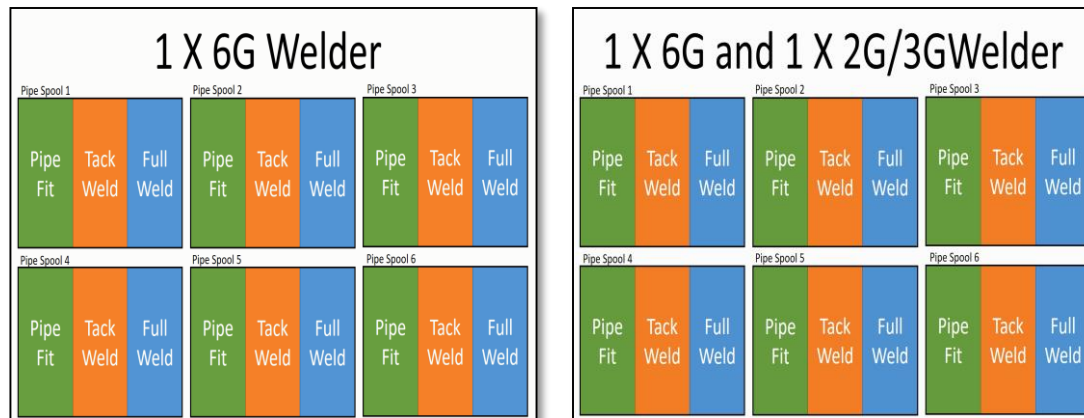
- No requirement from ASME B31.3 on 6G welding qualification for tack welds.
- Current Practice:
 - Plant Owners: 6G qualified welders for tack and full welding, conservative QC approach.
 - Contractors: Welders qualified for 6G; Most pipefitters can be qualified 2G/3G welders via multi-skilling.

3. Practice 2: Tack Welding

► Recommended Practices

- During TA/Projects which has significant volume of welding work:
 - 2G/3G welders to perform fit-up & tack weld, 6G welders to complete the weld
 - Robust QC overseeing

Current:
6G welder wait for pipe fit up completion to tack weld (~35% of his time), before the full weld



Comparison between current practice and proposed practice

Propose:
Piper fitter complete Tack weld during fit-up, 6G welder fully utilised on completing the full weld

4. Practice 3: Equipment Mobilization

▶ Opportunity

- Waiting time significant from 0800 to 1000 hrs
- Opportunity identified: “Worker waiting for equipment”
- Common equipment such as generator set, air compressor, welding machine a distance from job site

▶ Mobilization Survey

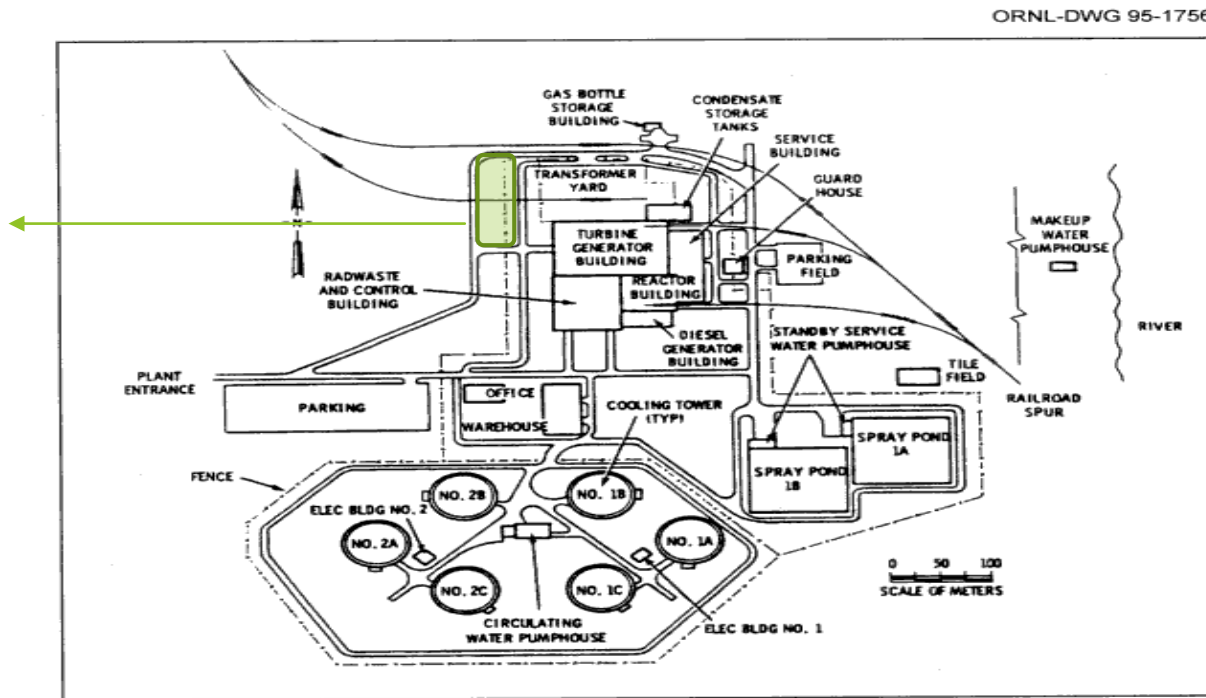
- 6 plant owners and 4 contractors, 9 responded
- Allocation of laydown areas near process unit varies:
 - Plant layout and emergency response requirements
 - Adhoc requests led to inconsistent evaluation
 - Poor housekeeping impact allocation
 - Scaffold material laydown area common
- Mobilisation time savings with laydown area near process unit

4. Practice 3: Equipment Mobilization

► Recommended Practices

- Plant owner: One time evaluation and allocation of designated equipment laydown areas near process unit
- Contractor: To implement robust and sustainable housekeeping program for laydown areas

Designated Laydown Area



Example of Site Layout, with a designated laydown area

5. Practice 4: Lunch Hours

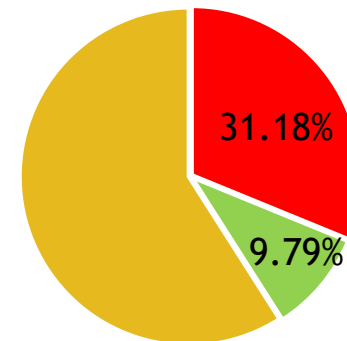
► Opportunity

- Significant waiting and travelling time to job site after lunch (1300 to 1400): 41 %
- Opportunities identified: Discipline lunch schedule and efficient mobilisation of workers back to job site.

► Lunch Hours Survey

- 6 plant owners and 4 contractors, 10 responded
- Timely mobilisation of workers back to site varies:
 - Contractor supervisor Oversight
 - Availability of Transportation
- 1 Plant Owner uses PA system:
 - Announce end of lunch time (1245)
 - Reminder to leave jobsite (1255)
- 4 plant owners receptive to using existing PA system
- Multiple trips to mobilise workers at larger sites

1300h to 1400h



■ Travelling Time ■ Waiting Time ■ Others

5. Practice 4: Lunch Hours

► Recommended Practices

- Using Public Address(PA) system to trigger worker movement after lunch
- Explore transportation options to achieve single trip



6. Success Story Sharing