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## <u>IMPORTANT NOTICE</u> BCA OF ALBERTA AND IBB LOCAL LODGE 146 COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT ENABLING ARTICLE 8.00 – WELDING TESTS

In accordance with Article 35.00, Enabling Clause of the Collective Agreement by and between the IBB Local Lodge 146 and the Boilermaker Contractors' Association of Alberta, the parties have agreed to amend Article 8.00 Welding Tests to include the following:

8.01 Any welder possessing a current Grade B Welder Certification of Competency, who is required to do additional testing by the employer, shall be paid for weld time to a maximum of four (4) hours per test (excluding the boiler ¼ Down Hand Plate will be paid a maximum of two (2) hours). Additionally, the prevalent Tank Constructor test consists of three plates welded in the vertical, horizontal and overhead positions and will be paid a maximum of four (4) hours total.

The amendments for Article 8.01 provide for a <u>standardized</u> reimbursement testing time and a new <u>maximum</u> payment for testing time (dependent on the weld test).

The current Article 8.07 will become Article 8.08 and Article 8.07 replaced with the following:

Any welder required to take additional welding qualifications for employment with a company and who fails the required weld test, QW-320 of Section 9 of the ASME Code will come into effect. At the sole discretion of the Weld Test Examiner, the welder may be granted the opportunity to take a second test or receive four (4) hours pay. If the welder fails a second test, he or she will not be eligible for payment of wages, including testing time and other allowances as set out in Article 8.00.

The terms and conditions outlined above will become effective immediately and will expire on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Upon expiration the language noted above will become null and void and the current language in the construction agreement will apply until such time as a new agreement is ratified.