

Incident Summary (Reference #5610668)

	Incident Date			January 09, 2017
SUPPORTING INFORMATION	Location			Prince George
	Regulated industry sector			Boiler and Pressure Vessel system
	Impact	Injury	Qty injuries	Zero
			Injury description	N/A
			Injury rating	None
		Damage	Damage description	Longitudinal weld failed on Steam Distribution box of shell and tube heat exchanger.
		Da	Damage rating	Moderate
	Incident rating			Moderate
	Incident overview			The longitudinal weld failed allowing 65# steam to escape through the ruptured weld.
INVESTIGATION CONCLUSIONS	Site, system and components			A 65# Steam line connects to the top of the Steam Distribution Box and injects steam into the shell side of the heat exchanger.
	Failure scenario(s)			There was an over pressure event that occurred in the 65# steam line connected to the heat exchanger. This event over pressured the heat exchanger and the longitudinal weld failed because it was not full penetration as required by the original drawing. The steam distribution box had recently been repaired. The cause of the over pressure event is being investigated by the Owner's Operations group.
	Facts and evidence			Visual inspection was performed of the ruptured longitudinal weld and the weld metal was only partial penetration as documented by photo.
N	Causes and contributing factors			It is likely that the weld failed because it was not full penetration.

See attached photo package.