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Incident Title: Aichi EWP – failure of weld in boom support



Event Details: During periodic boom inspection and certification, the inspector identified a failure in a weld in the lower portion of the boom, with a crack like indication detected at the weld toe extending for approximately 220mm. Further inquiries are being carried out to determine the cause of the failure. The EWP, which is two years old, has been removed from service until repairs and/or replacement of the failed section has been initiated.

Immediate Action:

- EWP operators – please ensure a thorough pre-start inspection, paying particular attention to welds is completed on all EWPs, especially Aichi models. Any signs of rust or cracks in the vicinity of welds will require further action.
- Any irregularities identified during these inspections must be reported to your supervisor immediately and the EWP must be tagged Do Not Operate.

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