## **General Inspection Report**

(BC09) REPORT No.131 MAIN TOWERS N & S

DATE: 07/01/2003 TO 28/01/2003

THE TOWER STRUCTURES BOTH NORTH & SOUTH, WERE VISUALLY INSPECTED OVER AN INTERMITTENT PERIOD BETWEEN THE ABOVE DATES. BOTH TOWER STRUCTURES WERE INSPECTED BOTH INTERNALLY & EXTERNALLY. (EXTERNALLY ONLY WHERE ACCESS AVAILABLE & USING OPTICAL AID EQUIPMENT.)

**GENERAL CONDITION.**: THE TOWER STRUCTURES APPEAR TO BE IN A SATISFACTORY CONDITION,. ALTHOUGH ELEMENT DEFECTS HAVE BEEN RECORDED. GENERALLY THEY ARE OF A SLIGHT CORROSION, HOUSEKEEPING OR WATER INGRESS NATURE.

**PAINTWORK.**: GENERALLY THE DEFECTS ARE OF A MINOR CORROSION OR COSMETIC NATURE.THROUGHOUT ALL TOWER LEGS. REMOVAL OF OLD NOW SUPERCEDED WIRING, DISTRIBUTION BOXES & CABLE TRAYS HAS TAKEN PLACE SINCE LAST INSPECTION, LEAVING UNPAINTED SURFACES, PRIMARILY IN "D" CELLS. EXTERNALLY THE WORST AFFECTED AREAS APPEAR TO BE ON THE BOTTOM 15-20 feet OF THE TOWER LEGS. LIFTS.: N/W & S/E LIFTS OPERATIONAL AT TIME OF INSPECTION. WATER INGRESS.: WATER INGRESS AND OR RUST STAINING EVIDENT AT A NUMBER OF LOCATIONS. THE PLATE SHELVES & BASES OF CELLS ARE STILL AFFECTED. ALBEIT NOT AS BAD AS PAST REPORTS. THE WORST AFFECTED AREA NOW BEING THE CROSS GIRDER NORTH & SOUTH. **HOUSEKEEPING.:** ALL FOUR TOWERS (AT ALL LEVELS) HAVE DEBRIS. THIS IS MAINLY ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION WASTAGE. CORRODED DRILLING SWARF NOW CONTAMINATES FLOOR SURFACES AT A NUMBER OF LOCATIONS, "B" CELL BEING THE WORST AFFECTED. ELECTRICAL.: NEW POWER/ LGHTING/ FIRE & INTRUDER ALARM SYSTEMS INSTALLED SINCE LAST INSPECTION.

ALL DEFECTS DETAILED & ENTERED ON STRUCTURE REPORT PROGRAMME.

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