## **General Inspection Report**

(BC16) REPORT No.18 DATE: SUSPENDERS

12/12/1997 TO 08/01/1998

THE ROPES,SPACERS AND CASTINGS ON SIDE SPANS AND MAIN SPAN, BOTH EAST & WEST,WERE VISUALLY INSPECTED OVER AN INTERMITTANT PERIOD OF FOUR WEEKS,( 2 WEEK XMAS HOLS BETWEEN ). GENERALLY THESE ITEMS WERE FOUND TO BE IN A SATISFACTORY CONDITION WITH NO DEFECTS REPORTED ON THE STRUCTURE PROGRAMME.

## **NOTE:**

DURING THIS INSPECTION PERIOD A SUSPENDER SCREWED ROD FAILED AT PP30 SIDE SPAN NORTH EAST, THIS HAS BEEN RECTIFIED ALTHOUGH FINAL PULLDOWN OF THE CASTING & NEW SCREWED RODS IS STILL OUTSTANDING, (WORKS PROGRAMMED FOR 16/1/98)

WITH THE ABOVE FAILURE IN MIND A FURTHER HAMMER RING TEST WAS CARRIED OUT ON ALL OF THE SUSPENDER SCREWED RODS NOT FITTED WITH COLLARS, NO DEFECTS DETECTED. THIS TEST HAS RESULTED IN THE NEED FOR TOUCH UP PAINTWORKS ON ROD ENDS & NUTS.

**INSPECTORS:**