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PROCESS VALIDATION ASSESSMENTS (PVA)

- a) Buyer will perform Process Validation Assessments (PVA), during the design and manufacture of goods at Seller's facility. Upon receipt of this contract, Seller will promptly notify Buyer's Quality Assurance Representative that normally services its plant. If not presently serviced by one of Buyer's Quality Assurance Representatives, Seller will promptly notify Buyer's Authorized Procurement Representative.
- b) Buyer's Quality Assurance Representative may elect to perform random sampling or 100% inspections. Seller will not hold shipments for inspection unless specifically instructed to do so by Buyer's Quality Assurance Representative. Seller is allowed to ship goods without evidence of Buyer's source inspection.

<u>Note</u>: If clause Q071 is incorporated in this contract, First Article Inspection shall be performed by Seller at Seller's facility and shall be validated, as required, by Buyer's Procurement Quality Representative at Seller's facility prior to shipment of goods. This clause relieves Seller of the requirement stated in Q071 to include a copy of FAI/BFAI report with shipment of deliverable product.

- c) This clause does not apply to parts requiring serialization [e.g., Flight Critical Items (FCI), Fracture Critical Parts (FCP), and Critical Attached Hardware (CAH)], Douglas Process Material (DPM), or those orders where clauses Q105 [High-Strength Fastener Certification] or Q029H [Digital Product Definition (DPD) / Model Based Definition (MBD)] is imposed.
- d) Seller will retain the quality documentation/certifications. Seller is authorized to ship goods without having to provide copies to Buyer. If the contract does not specify data retention periods, Seller is required to retain purchase orderrequired quality documentation/certifications for a minimum of eight (8) years after shipment. Prior to destroying any quality documentation/certifications, Seller will contact Buyer's Authorized Procurement Representative to request disposition of the documentation/certification in question. Documentation/ certifications will be provided to Buyer at no cost upon request.
- e) Seller is responsible for all inspections and/or tests necessary to ensure product conformance. To assure product integrity, Seller will determine the necessity for in-process inspection. When in-process inspection is deemed necessary, Seller will establish, coordinate, document, and maintain the mandatory in-process inspection points. Seller will perform all final inspections and/or tests prior to shipping goods.
- f) Goods will be tagged or bagged, with indication of acceptance status [e.g., application of Seller's inspection/acceptance stamp or symbol] and PC/PO number-PVA [i.e., PC/PO #######-PVA or Purchase Contract/Order ####### PVA], in addition to the minimum identification requirements of the part.