

## **DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY**

LAND AND MARITIME POST OFFICE BOX 3990 COLUMBUS, OH 43218-3990

February 12, 2025

Russell Shepherd Element Materials Technology - Anaheim 1435 S. Allec Street Anaheim, CA 92805

Dear Russell Shepherd:

RE: Acceptable Laboratory Retention Information Submission; MIL-PRF-31032; MIL-PRF-55110; MIL-PRF-50884; and MIL-I-46058; FSC 5998; Reporting Period January 01, 2024, through December 31, 2024; VQ(VQE-25-039313); CN090646

We have received your data consisting of your submission of retention information, as required by *Laboratory Suitability Information* booklet. The information submitted was found to be acceptable for the timeframe of January 01, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

Your next report, reflecting January 01, 2025, through December 31, 2025, shall be submitted by January 31, 2026, to ensure continued laboratory suitability. The report shall consist of an internal audit report, a list of controlled documents and a testing summary. Laboratory suitability is valid until terminated by written notification from the Qualifying Activity.

Should you have questions, please contact Mr. Yinhe Wang at vqe.yw@dla.mil or at (614) 692-5014.

Sincerely,

RAYMOND L. KOLONCHUK Chief Electronic Devices Branch

## GENERAL CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH NON-GOVERNMENT TEST LABORATORIES ARE UTILIZIED FOR TESTING TO MILITARY STANDARDS/SPECIFICATIONS

- 1. Suitability is evidenced by a DLA Land and Maritime Sourcing and Qualification (VQ) suitability letter, which is issued for a specific military, or non-Government test method in the applicable referenced test standard. Unless the manufacturer or laboratory has a DLA Land and Maritime -VQ suitability letter for a specific test method, the manufacturer or laboratory is not suitable to perform testing to the specific test method.
- 2. The United States Government does not guarantee that all testing conducted by non-Government laboratories determined by the Government to be suitably equipped and staffed for testing under a particular specification will result in the inclusion of the product(s) tested on the Qualified Products List, or Qualified Manufactures List.
- 3. It is not intended nor should it be inferred that the United States Government guarantees that a non-Government laboratory will render satisfactory performance. Furthermore, the Government assumes no responsibility in the event that such a laboratory renders unsatisfactory service or furnishes non-acceptable data to any person or organization utilizing its services.
- 4. It is not implied that a suitably equipped and staffed non-Government laboratory is in any way superior to other laboratories.
- 5. DLA Land and Maritime suitability is for a definite period and is subject to periodic review by DLA Land and Maritime.
- 6. Any publicity, advertising, or any other promulgation of the fact that a non-Government laboratory has been evaluated and found suitably equipped and staffed, or that the United States Government in any way sponsors said laboratory, by any medium whatsoever, is expressly prohibited. However, a laboratory, which is determined by the DLA Land and Maritime to be suitably equipped and staffed for testing under a particular test method, may circulate to potential customers, by mail, a printed announcement indicating that it has been evaluated and determined adequate for testing to the specific test method. (A potential customer is defined as an industrial firm, which the laboratory knows to be a manufacturer or distributor of products, covered by the specification(s) listed on the face hereof.)
- 7. Any changes, modification, or replacement of test methods approved by DLA Land and Maritime via a suitability letter or the equipment and facilities upon which this suitability is based shall be reported to DLA Land and Maritime for final determination of suitability. Substituted equipment shall be equal or superior to the original equipment and is subject to review by DLA Land and Maritime.
- 8. The laboratory shall maintain its equipment in proper calibration to assure accuracy of results, and records of this calibration shall and made available to DLA Land and Maritime or any authorized Government representative(s) whenever asked.
- 9. Tests shall be monitored by a Government representative when specified. In addition, DLA Land and Maritime or any other Government representatives may call on laboratories at any time and observe the test operations currently under way for any testing related to military supply.
- 10. Any test, once initiated by a laboratory for the purposes of obtaining qualification, must be reported either directly to DLA Land and Maritime or to the manufacturer concerned, as specified in the DLA Land and Maritime authorization to test (ATT) letter. In cases where no ATT is issued, the laboratory shall have other procedures to properly identify and report to DLA Land and Maritime qualification lots. This is to apply whenever tests are run to completion or discontinued either because of early disqualification failures or for any other reason. In reporting qualification testing performed, the laboratory must forward the original recorded test data in complete detail and the original test report plus the number of additional copies of the test report specified in the DLA Land and Maritime ATT.
- 11. Anytime a specification, purchase order, contract etc. specifies or references a particular military test method then the manufacturer or test laboratory must fully comply with the military test method as stipulated in the DLA Land and Maritime-VQ laboratory suitability letter and in full conformance with the DLA Land and Maritime-VQ approved procedures. Any deviations, modifications, etc. would require a written waiver from the customer. Under no circumstances can a waiver be granted to the test laboratory for military (e.g., JAN branded, QPL, QML) products.