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Supplier Quality Notification

Nondestructive Testing (NDE)

To our Valued Suppliers:

BAE Systems, Combat Mission Systems, (legacy Combat Vehicles), would like to **express notification** to our supply base of recent Nondestructive Examination (NDE) adherence deviations. Per the Supplier Quality Assurance Manual (SQAM) section 5.2, deviations from the Technical Data Package (TDP) requirements cannot be authorized without written acceptance from BAE Systems. Written acceptance and contract changes must be authorized through the Vendor Information Request (VIR) process prior to deviating from the TDP requirements.

Contract Deliverable Requirements (CDR) 014, requires that the supplier must adhere to the following. Deviation from this adherence must be approved through a VIR as stated above:

014 Nondestructive Examination Inspection Report

The Supplier shall furnish a certified test report prior to the shipment stating that the NDE requirement, per the TDP, has been performed, proving that the test procedure was completed and that the material is acceptable. The certification shall also include:

- Type of test and coverage
- Applicable procedure specification (title, number and revision)
- Applicable acceptance criteria (title, number and revision)
- Actual data as defined in the applicable procedure specification
- Name and address of the company that actually performed the testing
- Certificate of process compliance

The certification/data shall be submitted and approved prior to shipment of the item (s), in accordance with the Data Submission shall be made available to BAE Systems, upon request. Product NDT verification shall be completed by an American Society for Non Destructive Testing (ASNT) or National Aeronautical Standards (NAS) level 2 certified NDE technician or higher.

Thank you for your support!