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To: All AMS 2759 Customers

Subject: AMS 2759 Surface Contamination Testing

Dear Customers:

As you are no doubt aware, AMS 2759 (various “slash” numbers, and MIL-H-6875) requires routine surface contamination testing on several different classes of material, including 440C, Greek Ascoloy, PH steels such as 17-4PH and 15-5 PH (when solution heat treated) and H-11. This test is a metallographic examination and requires a destructive test piece be metallurgically sectioned and mounted. Accordingly, the test typically requires 2-3 working days after completion of the heat treat to complete.

Currently, we are operating with a verbal understanding that in the interests of expeditious production throughput, it is acceptable to ship parts and paperwork prior to completion of this surface contamination testing. In the event of a failure (an extremely rare event) we would, of course, notify you immediately so you can cease any further operations on the parts in question.

This letter serves to formalize this understanding. If our current practice of parts release with surface contamination test pending is acceptable, please sign below. If you would prefer that we hold your parts pending the outcome of the surface contamination test, we can easily accommodate that choice as well - please so indicate below.

I prefer that you release my parts with surface contamination testing still pending. Notify us immediately if this test is unacceptable to specification requirements.

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Authorized Company Representative / Date

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Company

Please hold my parts @ O&W until completion of all required testing.

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Authorized Company Representative / Date

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Company