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To Our Valued Customers

Subject: NACE Compliances

For decades Meriam Process Technologies has supplied products for applications where stress corrosion cracking may occur. This document is intended to clarify our compliance to NACE MR0175 or MR0103 guidelines when required on a purchase order or contract.

NACE (formerly "The National Association of Corrosion Engineers") does not issue approvals or certifications for any specific product or process but rather issues guidelines to aid purchasers and manufacturers in specifying and selecting materials for stress corrosion cracking applications. Following NACE MR0175 or MR0103 guidelines can <u>reduce</u> the occurrence of stress corrosion cracking but cannot eliminate it completely.

When specified in the purchase order or contract, Meriam will supply materials that are purchased and processed as described in NACE MR0175 or MR0103. Due to the nature of our product designs and construction methods, we do not perform post manufacturing NACE testing for ordinary NACE requests. Customer requirements for post manufacturing testing per NACE MR0175 or MR0103 guidelines should be clearly identified in the request for quotation and any subsequent purchase order or contract.

Meriam will supply to the buyer, when expressly requested by the purchase order or contract, our standard written statement certifying our compliance with the guidelines indicated in NACE MR0175 or MR0103 as they relate to material selection, condition and processing. A separate statement of compliance will be issued for purchase orders or contracts expressly requesting post manufacturing testing of materials identified in NACE MR0175 or MR0103 guidelines.

Thank you for you past, current and future business,

Meriam Process Technologies