PURCHASE ORDER QUALITY REQUIREMENTS

The following Quality Requirements (QR) apply to all AHM (AHM) Purchase Orders and Contracts, unless otherwise noted.

Q1 INSPECTION and TEST SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS
The supplier shall establish and maintain an Inspection and Test. The supplier’s Inspection and Test System is subject to audit, verification and approval and/or disapproval by AHM designated representative(s).

Q2 MRB AUTHORITY
Material review board authority is not authorized on this purchase order.

Q3 APPROVAL and CHANGES
The supplier shall notify the buyer of any proposed changes in the design, fabrication methods, or processes previously approved by the buyer and/or the buyer’s customer, and obtain written approval of the changes from the buyer and/or the buyer’s customer. Changed articles shall be clearly identified and in a different manner from the previous articles. When a proprietary item is procured by the buyer, the supplier shall notify the buyer of changes.

Q4 RAW MATERIALS
Raw materials shall be accompanied with certifications, chemical and/or physical test results. The supplier shall certify to the specific requirements defined on the face of the purchase order.

Q5 IDENTIFICATION AND DATA RETRIEVAL
Where and to the extent that traceability is a specific requirement, the supplier shall apply a unique identification to the individual product, material or batch. This identification data shall be recorded on and traceable to related suppliers records (see supplier quality records).

Q6 SUPPLIER QUALITY RECORDS
The supplier shall maintain suitable inspection and test records to serve as evidence of conformance with specified requirements. Such records shall be legible and traceable to the product involved. These records shall be maintained for a minimum period of seven (7) years from the date of final manufacture or as stated otherwise in the contract.

Q7 SUBMISSION and RESUBMISSION OF NONCONFORMING ARTICLES OR MATERIALS
Do not send nonconforming products or materials to AHM without prior written authorization. Nonconforming articles and/or materials returned by the buyer and subsequently resubmitted by the supplier shall bear adequate identification of such nonconformance, either on the articles, materials, or applicable suppliers’ records. The supplier shall provide evidence that the cause of the nonconformance has been corrected and that actions were taken to preclude any recurrence.
Q8 ACCESS to SUPPLIER’S FACILITIES
During Contract performance, the supplier shall grant reasonable access to all of the supplier’s facilities to representatives of AHM, AHM’s customers, US government and/or regulatory agencies for the purpose of evaluating supplier’s conformance to all PO/Contract requirements. When applicable, the access requirement shall be flowed-down by the supplier to the supplier’s sub-tier sources.

Q9 FIRST ARTICLE AT SUPPLIER ACTIVITY
Supplier shall perform a first article inspection in accordance with the requirements set forth Supplier shall forward one (1) copy of the first article inspection report to the buyer.

Q10 CERTIFICATE OF CONFORMANCE
Supplier shall provide evidence that the processes requested in this purchase order were performed by approved sources. Such evidence shall be maintained on file by the supplier. Included with each shipment to the buyer shall be a certificate of conformance indicating as a minimum the process description, process number, name and address of the process supplier, the purchase order and part number.

Q11 MATERIAL TRACEABILITY
Identification of each piece of material and each report is required by specification to provide traceability to heat, lot or batch number.

Q12 GRAIN DIRECTION IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED (where applicable)

Q13 CONTROL of SUB-TIER SOURCES
The supplier, as the recipient of the PO or Contract, is responsible for meeting all PO/Contract specified technical and quality requirements, whether the supplier performs the work, or the work is performed by the supplier’s sub-tier sources. When the supplier uses sub-tier sources to perform work on products and/or services scheduled for delivery to AHM, the supplier shall include (flow-down) on Purchase Orders or Contracts, to his sub-tier sources, all of the applicable technical and quality requirements of the AHM PO or Contract, including, when applicable the requirement to document and control ‘key characteristics’ and/or ‘key processes’, and to furnish certifications and test reports required by the applicable PO Quality Requirements.

Q14 SUPPLIER NOTIFICATION OF NONCONFORMING PRODUCTS DELIVERED TO AHM
When the supplier has determined that nonconforming product(s) have been delivered to AHM, the supplier shall notify AHM within twenty-four (24) hours of the initial discovery. The supplier shall use receipt acknowledgement e-mail or other positive notification method. The notification shall include the supplier name, AHM PO/Contract number, part number and description, affected quantity and serial numbers (if known), dates delivered (if known), brief description of the nonconforming condition.

Q15 REQUIREMENTS for QUALIFICATION of PERSONNEL
Where applicable, only qualified/certified personnel shall be used based on process specification requirements (NDT, etc.). Records shall be maintained of the personnel qualifications/certifications.