

Planning & Control of Changes

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Procedure Authority: Quality Manager

Purpose: The purpose of this procedure is to describe and direct activities associated with planning and controlling changes that impact production processes and potential impacts on customer requirements.

Scope: This procedure applies to changes considered internally, customer requested changes and supplier changes as appropriate. The procedure is also applicable to temporary changes to process controls.

Responsibility: The Quality Manager is responsible administering this procedure.

Definitions: NA

Reference Documents: NA

Procedure:

- 1. The Quality Manager and a multidisciplinary team as appropriate, will plan and control changes that impact production processes and the potential impact on customer requirements.
- 2. The team will evaluate associated risks and determine the necessary verification and validation activities to ensure compliance with customer requirements and change objectives.
- 3. Appropriate validation will be made before there is permanent implementation of a change.
- 4. Associated verification and validation results will be documented and maintained in accordance with procedure PQ2, "Records Control".
- 5. When required by the customer, we will notify, obtain documented approval prior to the change, identify product as required and complete additional verification as required.
- 6. Regarding temporary change of process controls; the Quality Manger will facilitate to ensure process controls are identified and documented, including inspection, measuring, test, and error-proofing devices (including both the primary process control and the approved alternate method).
- 7. Execution of alternate methods will be determined collectively by the department manager and Quality Manager, and proper notification will be consistent with customer requirements.
- 8. During such times that alternate control methods are used, the process and associated product will be reviewed and verified a minimum of once per day. With an ultimate goal of returning to the normal process controls as soon as possible.

Procedure Continued:

- 9. Traceability records of the affected product from the alternate control method, will be maintained in accordance with procedure PQ2, "Records Control".
- 10. Periodic reviews will be conducted of any such alternate process control methods.

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