GENERAL QUALITY REQUIREMENT FOR SUPPLIERS

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for

All **business partners, suppliers** and/or **service providers** (hereafter referred to as "**Supplier**")

Preamble

The BOS-JRG joint venture was established in 2025 with the aim of further expanding the global footprint of the BOS Group and tapping into the Indian automotive supply market. BOS-JRG is an automotive company that produces innovative mechatronic, kinematic and plastic systems for vehicles with a focus on comfort, safety, lightweight construction and efficiency. Furthermore, we are committed to the standards of IATF16949 and ISO14001. As a company with German roots, we are using the metric system and DIN/ISO standards in our 3D designs and 2D drawings. In addition to these standards, we adhere to the customer's specific requirements, ensuring that all DIN/ISO/IATF standards are procured and maintained by the supplier. As a values-driven company, it is imperative that all suppliers are acquainted with the Code of Conduct and adhere to its principles.

BOS-JRG sets the highest standards for innovation and quality of its products, aiming for the highest customer satisfaction. Our plants are IATF 16949 and ISO 14001 certified with the highest standards for sustainability and environment. BOS-JRG wants to meet this challenge with its supply base and collaborate on the continuous improvement of quality in order to meet the "Zero Defects" target for delivery items.

The conclusion of this General Quality Guideline for Suppliers represents an indispensable step and prerequisite for a joint business relationship and the supply of products to BOS-JRG.

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1 Introduction

1.1 Scope

This General Quality Guideline applies to suppliers, service providers and business partners and therefore applies to all products, processes, services and software delivered to or having an influence on BOS-JRG or designated third parties - hereinafter referred to as "Deliverables".

The requirements also apply to BOS-JRG plants that supply components to other BOS-JRG sites or to designated third parties.

For all mentioned guidelines, standards and other documented regulations, the respective version valid at the time of conclusion of the contract shall be taken as a basis.

1.2 Purpose

The purpose of this General Quality Guideline is to communicate and bindingly agree upon the requirements for suppliers, service providers, business partners and plants of BOS-JRG that deliver components to other locations of BOS-JRG or to designated third parties.

1.3 Basic Requirements

BOS-JRG' requirements for its suppliers are based on ISO 9001, IATF 16949 (~~requirements for~~ The requirements of BOS-JRG to its suppliers in the area of quality, are mainly based on ISO 9001, IATF 16949 (requirements for quality management systems), as well as ISO 14001 (requirements for environmental management systems), in the respective current version.

In addition to the respective customer-specific requirements, BOS-JRG takes a risk-based approach into account when defining its requirements for product, process development and services at the supplier.

The requirements of BOS-JRG and its customers for delivery items must be passed on, ensured and monitored by the supplier through the entire supply chain.

2 General Requirements

2.1 Continuous Improvement Process / „Zero Defects" - Strategy

BOS-JRG expects continuous improvement and the pursuit of a zero-defect strategy. To meet this requirement, the supplier must set essential performance targets and objectives according to priorities, monitor them and align its actions accordingly.

An "A rating" according to VDA 6.3 is required to demonstrate continuous improvement.

The supplier shall conduct an annual self-audit or an external audit (2nd party audit), which may also be conducted as a remote/web assessment if required, and present the result upon request by BOS-JRG. In case of a rating worse than A, the supplier must independently initiate suitable measures to achieve a renewed A rating.

2.2 Emergency / contingency Plans

BOS-JRG - Suppliers must prepare contingency plans based on a risk assessment in order to maintain parts supply to BOS-JRG and, therefore, the ability to deliver in the event of a situation not limited to the following events:

» Failure of essential production equipment

- supply interruption of externally provided products, processes and services
- recurring natural disasters
- fires
- pandemics
- interruptions to supply systems
- cyber attacks on information technology (IT) systems
- labor shortages
- Infrastructure disruptions
- returns from the field

Contingency plans shall be submitted to BOS-JRG upon request and shall be evaluated and tested for effectiveness by the supplier at least annually by an interdisciplinary team (simulation where applicable/appropriate after risk assessment).

Emergency plans shall provide for the development and implementation of appropriate employee training and awareness.

The supplier shall ensure that at least one competent employee with decision-making authority with regard to the processes for deliveries to BOS-JRG and one deputy are appointed. This applies in particular to decisions for special measures to ensure on-time deliveries to BOS-JRG. This contact person should also be available in the evenings, on holidays and on weekends, or be able to respond within a few hours. The emergency phone numbers are to be communicated to BOS-JRG Purchasing in writing, stored in the BOS-JRG Sourcing Portal and confirmed in the release audit. BOS-JRG commits to use the contact data provided only in emergency situation, when outside normal business hours.

Contingency plans must include provisions to ensure that manufactured product continues to meet customer specifications after an emergency in which production has stopped and regular shutdown processes have not been followed.

2.3 Delivery of Spare Parts / all-time demands

Suppliers must ensure the supply of spare parts to BOS-JRG until 15 years after the end of series production and series delivery, unless otherwise agreed in writing.

2.4 Product Safety and Regulatory Compliance

2.4.1 Regulatory Compliance

The supplier must familiarize himself with all applicable legal provisions, regulations and standards in the field of motor vehicle safety (e.g. 49 USC 301 et seq., TREAD Act, EU legal provisions on product safety) that apply in the countries in which the product is to be produced or used. The same applies to the applicable regulations from international and national environmental law.

2.4.2 Product Safety

The supplier must have documented processes for the management of product safety-relevant delivery items. Taking into account customer requirements, so-called Product Safety & Conformity Representatives (PSCR) are to be appointed and trained accordingly (e.g. Volkswagen, BMW).

The PSCR is to be named in the BOS-JRG Sourcing Portal with complete contact details, and the corresponding training records / certificates are to be uploaded.

2.4.3 Notification of potential safety deviations

The supplier must immediately notify the quality assurance department of BOS-JRG if he has detected a product deviation that impairs the product function so that, due to the design, construction or function of the delivery item, there is a risk to life and limb, or the risk of property damage increases unreasonably. The notification shall be made in writing.

2.4.4 Notification Obligations

The supplier is required to provide BOS-JRG independently and at short notice with copies of all data, materials and information which the supplier has submitted to authorities in connection with the delivery items supplied to BOS-JRG. This includes in particular test, production, vehicle use or warranty data.

The supplier is further obliged to inform BOS-JRG immediately if it has provided information to an authority regarding the recall of delivery items that are identical or similar in essential points, regardless of whether the recall is voluntary or ordered by an authority.

Identical or substantially similar motor vehicle equipment, under NHTSA, means motor vehicle equipment parts sold or used outside the U.S. [and its territories] that are identical or substantially similar to equipment parts sold or offered for sale in the U.S. [and its territories], provided the equipment parts, sold or offered inside and outside the U.S. [and its territories] use one or more identical components or systems and the component or system has the same function in vehicles or vehicle equipment sold or offered for sale in the U.S. [and its territories], whether or not the corresponding part numbers are identical.

2.5 Requirements for Testing Laboratories

2.5.1 Internal Laboratory

The supplier's internal testing laboratory must have documented procedures (e.g. a laboratory manual) describing the laboratory's scope of work, with respect to the requirements of IATF 16949.

2.5.2 External Laboratory

External testing laboratories must be accredited according to ISO/IEC 17025 or approved in writing by the common end customer.

2.6 Liability in the Event of Non-Compliance with Agreements

If there is fault acknowledged by the supplier, the supplier shall compensate the damage proven by BOS-JRG. The corresponding cost breakdown is an addendum to the General Quality Assurance Guideline. It can be viewed by all suppliers via the BOS supplier portal. The items described therein may not be updated more than once per calendar year. Any increase must be reasonable - more than a total of 10 percent is not permitted within a three-year period.

2.7 Information Security Measures

The supplier is required to carry out regular risk analyses for the area of information security in order to establish and comply with information security measures within the framework of a recognized standard, such as ISO 27001, BSI Grundschutz or VDA Information Security Assessment (TISAX), and to provide evidence of certification, in case this is required by a common end customer.

If further requirements are communicated and agreed upon by BOS-JRG for the area of information security, these must be demonstrably implemented.

2.8 Supplier On-Site Assessments

BOS-JRG reserves the right, if necessary, to make visits to the supplier's premises with a customer by prior arrangement. BOS-JRG shall announce this visit at least 48 hours in advance. The BOS-JRG representative and the joint customer shall be granted access for this purpose. The purpose of these visits may be reviews, audits and assessments of the QM system, processes and delivery items.

BOS-JRG and the joint customer will respect the intellectual property of the supplier at all times..

2.9 Warranty

BOS-JRG concludes a separate Framework Agreement which include the warranty agreement with its suppliers.

3 Quality Management System Requirements

3.1 General Requirements for Quality Management Systems

All suppliers currently or in the future working for BOS-JRG must be certified at least according to the latest standard ISO 9001. If a supplier is not certified to IATF16949, BOS-JRG will conduct an audit in accordance with the IATF MAQMSR (Minimum Automotive Quality Management System Requirements) at the supplier's facility and require appropriate action if necessary. All suppliers must upload copies of their current certificates to the BOS-JRG Sourcing Portal within 10 working days of receipt and keep this up to date (in exceptional cases this may also be forwarded to Purchasing).

If the supplier receives special status from a customer for example:

- General Motors New Business Hold
- VW Group C-Supplier
- Ford Q1 Revocation
- Daimler Q-H:ELP Level 3
- etc.

this must be communicated to BOS-JRG without delay.

Furthermore, (depending on the end customer) the customer requirements (e.g. Volkswagen Formula Q-konkret, Mercedes-Benz Special Terms) and the CSR "Customer specific Requirements" according to IATF have to be applied and complied with, and their application in the further supply chain has to be ensured.

Details of the OEMs' customer-specific regulations can be found at the following link: https://www.iatfglobaloversight.org/oem-requirements/customer-specific-requirements/.

Suppliers must also comply with the requirements set out in the VDA or AIAG reference manuals, depending on which the end customer requires. To this end, BOS-JRG suppliers are required to obtain the appropriate IATF 16949, VDA - and AIAG - reference manuals, as well as all related documents, as amended from time to time. The version valid at the time of the order shall apply in each case.

3.2 Prior to the award of business

When submitting an offer, the supplier must include a feasibility and manufacturability assessment and confirm therein by an interdisciplinary team that the requested delivery item can be manufactured, packaged and delivered in accordance with the technical specifications, as well as other agreements, in a process-safe manner in the required quality and quantity.

Prior to awarding a contract, a contract award meeting will be held with potential suppliers unless BOS-JRG waives this requirement. During this cross-functional meeting, issues and problems relating to engineering, quality, manufacturing, machinery, purchasing, logistics, and business processes that affect the project in question may be discussed. The prerequisite for placing an order is that the supplier accepts to all mutually agreed items. The agreements are documented in the kick-off protocol and on the drawing if design and specification issues are involved. The drawing and kick-off protocol are then signed by the participants in the award meeting.

3.3 Advanced Quality Planning to VDA „Maturity Level Assurance for new Parts“

The supplier shall develop a quality plan / schedule (SSR - Supplier Status Report) according to the following minimum BOS-JRG requirements and provide it regularly (usually every 2 weeks) to document the progress. The Quality Plan / Schedule (SSR - Supplier Status Report) shall include at a minimum the following activities and milestones:

- Feasibility and manufacturability assessment
- Tooling contract
- Nomination letter (fully signed)
- Capacity and logistics planning
- Drawings / specifications / design FMEA
- Process flow chart and process FMEA
- Production control plan (control plan) / test plan
- Identification and definition of special product and process characteristics and joint Coordination with the specifications of the drawing in the Special Characteristics Agreement (SCA)
- Gauges / test equipment
- Tool design incl. FMEA or similar
- Tools / New equipment
- Mechanical / manual machining
- Sampling and correction loop
- Test and trials (material and functional test)
- Machine, process and measuring equipment capability tests
- Packaging and emergency packaging (documented and released in packaging data sheet)
- Control of parts and services from suppliers
- Series start-up (VDA / PPF - AIAG / R@R) with capacity verification
- Safe Launch Plan with the BOS-JRG production plant
- Presentation of initial samples (EMPB/PPAP)

Suppliers with development responsibility must use reliability methods to ensure the required robustness and durability.

3.4 Special / Critical Characteristics and Verification

Special characteristics require special attention, as deviations in these characteristics can influence product safety, service life, assembly capability, function or quality - in short: customer satisfaction - as well as compliance with legal regulations.

Special characteristics are to be listed in a special characteristics agreement (SCA) related to the delivery item. The supplier is obliged to provide BOS-JRG with the agreed SCA within the scope of sampling.

The agreed tests shall be carried out and documented at least annually in the case of capable features. In the case of non-capable features, a 100% inspection shall be performed.

Special characteristics are defined by BOS-JRG taking into account customer requirements and/or result from the supplier's risk analysis, e.g. from the product and / or process FMEA.

In principle, all product and process characteristics are important and must be complied with.

The supplier is obliged to make himself familiar with the further use of the delivery item and, if necessary, to identify the special characteristics. The supplier shall also ensure that sub-suppliers know, understand and monitor its relevant special characteristics.

The supplier undertakes to establish a system of verification for delivery items with special characteristics.

3.5 Process Capability and Control

Unless otherwise required by BOS-JRG, the supplier must meet the process capability requirements as specified in the drawing and/or specification. The supplier shall ensure that monitoring activities are documented in the production control plan and that following process capability values are achieved:

Target Value (as per VDA 4)	**short term** 50 parts, consecutive	**mid-term (pre-series)** 125 parts of groups > 25 consecutive parts	**long-term (series)** 20 production days, min. 125 parts
Expectation - CC characteristics SC characteristics	**stable process** C_m , $C_{mk} \geq 2{,}00$ C_m , $C_{mk} \geq 1{,}67$	**stable process** P_p , $P_{pk} \geq 2{,}00$ P_p , $P_{pk} \geq 1{,}67$	**stable process** C_p , $C_{pk} \geq 1{,}67$ C_p , $C_{pk} \geq 1{,}33$
Explanation	- newly set up equipment at line manufacturer - prior to production part approval at supplier		- series production
expectation not fulfilled	**- 100% inspection until the process is stable & capable**		

3.6 Acceptance of Manufacturing Processes

Manufacturing processes must be approved internally by the supplier. The methods used must comply with the specifications of the automotive industry / BOS-JRG and the results must be submitted to BOS-JRG upon request.

BOS-JRG reserves the right to audit manufacturing processes at the supplier's premises and to carry out inspections. The method used will be communicated to the supplier in advance.

3.7 Tools and Gauges

The ownership badge provided by BOS-JRG shall be permanently fixed to all tools (molds, patterns, casting molds, special tools) and gauges of the supplier. Photo documentation shall be prepared and provided to BOS-JRG in the required form (SSR).

The supplier shall perform preventive/scheduled maintenance on all tooling and equipment. Evidence of the performance of maintenance shall be provided upon request. Furthermore, schedules for preventive/planned maintenance activities as well as tooling history shall be documented and made available to BOS-JRG upon request.

The Supplier shall not be entitled to sell, transfer, relocate to a place other than the agreed location or scrap any tools without the written consent of BOS-JRG.

Planned new purchases or repairs in case of wear and/or tear of tools shall be notified to BOS-JRG in due time, but at the latest when 85% of the guaranteed output quantity has been reached.

The change status of the gauge must always reflect the current engineering level of the parts and also indicate this on the corresponding badge.

3.8 Control and Monitoring of Subcontractors / Outsourced Processes

This is carried out by the supplier at his own responsibility. In doing so, the supplier must ensure that the requirements of BOS-JRG and its end customer are met at all times. Customer-specific requirements must be fully respected, communicated and complied with in the supply chain. BOS-JRG reserves the right to conduct visits and audits at the sub-supplier's premises in coordination with the supplier.

3.9 Sources of Supply mandated by BOS-JRG’s customer (“directed buy”)

If specified by BOS-JRG' customers, the supplier must obtain certain delivery items from sources specified by BOS-JRG. All requirements from this GQA must also be fulfilled by the supplier's subcontractors when directing the sources of supply specified by the customer. The supplier is solely exempt from the selection of the source of supply.

BOS-JRG shall ensure that only quality-capable suppliers within the meaning of section 3.1 of this GQA are specified.

3.10 Part Identification and Traceability

With the start of the first delivery of parts (including prototypes and pre-production series), the supplier must maintain a part history in which at least the following must be documented:

- all changes in manufacturing conditions
- material changes
- geometry changes
- functional changes
- software/hardware changes
- definition of a new generation status for each change
- the date of the first delivery of a new change status in each case.

The part history is to be sent to BOS-JRG for each update. In the prototype and pre-series phase, the current build status is to be attached to each part delivery. This shall be clearly legible on all sides of the container.

The parts identification and the associated traceability concept are to be designed and bindingly agreed with BOS-JRG in such a way that

- traceability of the parts to technical status (modification status, production date, batch, nests, process changes, process data, production locations and equipment as well as individual parts, etc.) is possible at any time,
- the assignment of documented test and measurement results (production process-related and complaint-related) to the respective parts is possible at any time,
- in the event of a complaint, it is immediately possible to clearly and plausibly isolate defective delivery items / batches.
- Clear identification of the parts as pre-series or prototype parts is ensured.

A functioning traceability system up to the subcontractor must be in place.

3.11 First Sampling / Release of Production Parts

All initial sampling of delivery items must meet the BOS-JRG requirements. The scope of sampling must be agreed and all documents uploaded to the BOS-JRG sampling portal (ISPO+). Sampling can be carried out on the basis of VDA or AIAG, after coordination. In the case of sampling according to AIAG, PPAP Level 3 is the standard requirement. BOS-JRG reserves a time frame of 4 weeks for the decision on a sampling submitted by the supplier.

The supplier's sampling documents must contain all cover sheets (VDA/AIAG) for all components (supplier and sub-suppliers used by the supplier). Sampling documents not requested by BOS-JRG for submission must nevertheless be available and approved at the production site, taking into account valid standards. These must be submitted to BOS-JRG upon request.

All associated PPF or PPAP initial sample parts must be clearly marked as such. A retaining sample shall be archived from each sampling run.

Full or preliminary PPF or PPAP approval must be received before deliverables are shipped to BOS-JRG for production. Deliveries received by BOS-JRG before the approval has been issued will not be accepted. Exceptions must be notified by the supplier and approved by BOS-JRG as a deviation. This special approval is to be applied for at the respective BOS-JRG plant; this will then be processed internally by BOS-JRG. After approval has been granted, it shall be enclosed as a copy to each packing unit.

3.12 Modification of Released Delivery Items and Processes

Suppliers and sub-suppliers are not entitled to make changes to a delivery item (e.g. to materials, components or sub-assemblies) without prior approval. This also applies to changes to manufacturing processes and/or relocation from or also within existing site(s) where delivery items are manufactured that have already received PPF or PPAP approval, as well as to changes to production control plans.

If the supplier intends to make changes to delivery items, the responsible buyer of BOS-JRG must be informed of this in good time before the changes are made.

The supplier must apply to BOS-JRG in writing for a change he intends to make to the delivery item using the official form "Request for Product or Process Change". This must be sent to the responsible contact person in BOS-JRG Purchasing. The change may not be made until the supplier has received written permission from BOS-JRG. Together with this permission, BOS-JRG informs the supplier about special requirements to be observed during the implementation of the change and during delivery acceptance. The

approved changes are to be documented by the supplier in a part and process history sheet and, if necessary, sampled (see trigger matrix VDA Volume 2).

In case of non-compliance with these requirements, the supplier will be held accountable for all damages, losses and liabilities resulting from an unapproved change made by the supplier or the sub-suppliers (e.g. rejection by the customer, costs for production downtime at BOS-JRG and/or at the customer, warranty costs, etc.).

3.13 Requalification

The supplier is obliged to carry out a requalification test. Unless agreed otherwise, the scope of this requalification required by BOS-JRG shall correspond to that of the initial sampling and shall be documented in the supplier's production control plan and in Annex 2 to VDA Volume 2 (PPF reconciliation).

The frequency of the requalification tests must correspond to the customer-specific requirements of the end customers. The date of the full initial sample release of the currently used construction status is decisive here.

The documentation on the requalification tests must be archived by the supplier and submitted to BOS-JRG upon request within one working day.

If deviations from the specifications occur during the requalification tests, the supplier must inform BOS-JRG immediately so that suitable measures can be decided and implemented. The requalification tests serve to permanently ensure the quality of the delivery items and are to be carried out by the supplier at no cost to BOS-JRG.

3.14 Requirements to safeguard delivery quality

3.14.1 Launch / Safe Launch Process

The safeguarding status for parts from a new production extends over the first ten series deliveries or the first 90 production days after the first delivery for series production at BOS-JRG. During this series start-up phase, BOS-JRG requires increased assurance of delivery quality (Safe Launch process).

In addition to the tests specified in the production control plan, the supplier must perform an intensified test outside of its series process, specify this in a Safe Launch Control Plan and document the results of the tests accordingly. If there are no complaints from BOS-JRG within the first ten series deliveries or within the first 90 days of production (whichever occurs last), the Safe Launch process may be terminated.

BOS-JRG can request the planning and documentation of these safeguarding measures from the supplier or check them directly on site.

3.14.2 Series Supply

During series production, the tests agreed with BOS-JRG in the product-related Special Characteristics Agreement (SCA) must be carried out and documented.

In case of possible delivery bottlenecks, the supplier is obliged to immediately inform the logistics of the BOS-JRG plant to be supplied as well as the responsible buyer.

3.14.3 Proof of Compliance to Requirements

The supplier shall maintain documented information on compliance with BOS-JRG requirements in its records and may be required to include such evidence with each shipment of specified parts or material. The supplier shall have a system in place to retrieve and provide requested quality evidence within 24 hours to BOS-JRG.

3.14.4 Archiving Requirements

The retention periods must comply with legal, regulatory and customer requirements. VDA Volume 1 is to be considered as a guideline here.

3.14.5 Requirements for Quality Deviations

In case of quality deviations, BOS-JRG sends a complaint report to the suppliers.

The problem must be solved according to a problem-solving method (e.g. 8D report), with the aim of finding the causes of defects and evaluating the effect of corrective measures.

Complaints are communicated to the supplier by means of a complaint report. Subsequently, the supplier must immediately initiate the following measures:

- Within one working day after notification of a complaint by BOS-JRG, an 8D - Report (points D1 to D3) with measures is to be submitted, which documents how the correction status affects all parts in the supply chain. This includes at a minimum the parts at the supplier, in transit and the supplied location of BOS-JRG or a designated third party
- to inform BOS-JRG at regular intervals about the correction – results
- to inform about the way in which delivery items are marked as quality controlled; as individual product and also in the packaging
- Interim report on the status of items D1 to D5 inclusive within five working days
- Provide on-site support to BOS-JRG and collaboration with BOS-JRG staff at BOS-JRG customers as requested
- Completion of the 8D- Report (items D1 to D8) within ten working days, unless otherwise agreed with BOS-JRG or requested in the Complaint Report.

BOS-JRG may issue a special status to the supplier in the following cases:

- if the supplier does not seem to be able to take appropriate and effective corrective actions
- if the corrective actions taken have not been successful; or
- if a particularly serious problem exists.

The notification of the special status to the supplier must be in writing.

In this case, the supplier will be informed in writing by BOS-JRG. The imposition of the escalation status requires an increased inspection effort at the supplier (100% inspection) and entails further steps, e.g. a quality discussion at BOS-JRG or an audit at the supplier's premises. Such an audit can take place with a notice period of 48h.

Escalation level 1 - supplier is not successful in solving his problems.

Escalation level 2 - supplier needs external help

Escalation level 3 - Supplier is unsuitable for BOS-JRG, New Business on Hold

BOS-JRG reserves the right to charge all costs incurred as a result of the deviation to the supplier causing the deviation. This includes costs for inspections carried out by an independent third party, e.g. inspection / sorting by external company. For the charging on of costs on the part of BOS-JRG (see paragraph 2.6), the “polluter-pays” principle is applied in any case.

3.14.6 Product- and Process Variations

As a matter of principle, BOS-JRG expects its suppliers to deliver parts that conform to specifications and drawings.

Deviations of any kind are to be reported to BOS-JRG immediately and require coordination of the further procedure. If the delivery item does not comply with the contractual requirements, the supplier shall immediately provide supplementary delivery, i.e., at the discretion of BOS-JRG, repair the defective delivery items or replace them with defect-free items. Further contractual (see Section 2.9) or statutory and contractual claims of BOS-JRG shall remain unaffected.

Insofar as the delivery items not in conformity with the contract can be processed by BOS-JRG, the supplier shall have the right to submit a written request to BOS-JRG in accordance with the form "Request Product or Process Deviation", on which BOS-JRG shall decide at short notice. An action plan to regain the required quality is mandatory. If the application is approved by BOS-JRG, the following deliveries will be considered as not ppm-relevant with regard to the original defect.

This special release is granted for a maximum period of three months. After expiry of this period, the supplier must be in a position to deliver the delivery item 100% in accordance with the contract. If he does not succeed doing so, he may apply for an extension of the construction deviation for a further maximum of six months. If the delivery item is still not delivered 100% in accordance with the contract after expiry of the extension, BOS-JRG may transfer the supplier to a supplier development program at the supplier's expense.

The request for a product- or process deviation shall be submitted in each case to the BOS-JRG plant supplied and shall be coordinated internally by BOS-JRG. If product deviations are caused by BOS-JRG, the supplier shall not be held accountable for them.

3.14.7 Shelf Life

For materials subject to a minimum shelf life, it must be ensured that a shelf life of at least six months is guaranteed upon delivery. If this is not possible for technical reasons, it shall be arranged separately with BOS-JRG.

3.15 Supplier Evaluation

The suppliers of BOS-JRG are informed annually about their quality & delivery performance. Based on an annual evaluation, suppliers are classified as A, B or C suppliers.

This classification forms the basis for setting special requirements and restrictions for suppliers.

- Suppliers have met the BOS-JRG requirements, but improvements are still possible if the rating does not reach 100% for a single item
- B- Suppliers have not yet met the delivery standard required by BOS-JRG and need to take further steps to improve the situation
- C- Suppliers do not meet the delivery standard requested by BOS-JRG and must submit suitable action plan for improvement in the short term. C- Suppliers are exempt from award for new products and are tracked in a monthly BOS-JRG supplier program.

If required, selected suppliers are informed monthly about their quality & delivery performance and, if necessary, measures for improvement are initiated. In line with the zero defect strategy, suppliers are expected to strive for a quality target of 0 ppm.

The supplier is further encouraged to check the current status of his performance in the BOS-JRG Sourcing Portal and to take action to improve the result, if necessary.

BOS-JRG reserves the right to include selected suppliers in a supplier development program after prior discussions with the supplier.

4 Environmental Requirements

4.1 Certification Requirements

A certified environmental management system according to ISO 14001 is expected from the supplier. Certified suppliers are requested to notify the BOS-JRG purchasing department of the initial and subsequent certifications within ten days of receipt of the respective certificate with a copy of the certificate.

4.2 Requirements for Product-Related Environmental Protection

The supplier is obliged to guarantee the following:

a. Compliance with the restrictions on the use of ingredients in materials in accordance with the Global Automotive Declarable Substances List GADSL (Link: www.gadsl.org) or VDA 232-101 and Directive 2000/53/EC (End-of-Life Vehicle Directive Annex II) in the respective currently valid version.

b. Material identification in accordance with VDA 260 or Commission Decision 2003/138/EC of February 27, 2003, as amended.

c. Preparation of an IMDS material data sheet in accordance with the current IMDS Recommendations in the course of sampling (Link: www.mdsystem.com) as well as updating in accordance with IMDS Recommendation 001, Chap.3 in case of product changes. The transmission and updating of the IMDS material data sheets is part of the scope of delivery. Alternative material data, especially for electronic parts, will not be accepted.

d. Fulfillment of the requirements according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 of 18.12.2006 (REACh, as amended) and ensuring that all materials / substances of the delivered products are registered for the intended use according to REACh. In particular, it must be ensured that the delivered purchased parts and materials do not contain any substances listed in the REACh authorization list (Annex XIV) and restriction list (Annex XVII) (Info: http://www.reach-helpdesk.de/).

e. Compliance with the requirements of the Packaging Ordinance and EU Directive 94/62/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 1994, as amended, on packaging and packaging waste.

f. Provision of the safety data sheet for hazardous substances.

g. Pursuant to the Dodd-Frank Act, Section 1502, suppliers are required to report annually whether or not conflict minerals are necessary to the functionality or production of any of their products, and if so, whether or not they originate in the Democratic Republic of Congo or adjoining countries

   i. report via CMRT template (Excel): http://www.conflictfreesourcing.org/conflict-minerals-reporting-template/ to conflictminerals@BOS-JRG.de or

   ii. via the iPoint CM platform: http://conflict-minerals.com.Provision of the safety data sheet for hazardous substances.

5 Sustainability along the Value Chain

The concept of sustainability encompasses all ecological, economic, social, ethical and societal effects that emanate from a company. BOS-JRG is aware of its

responsibility and is committed to standards that lead to consistency along the value chain. In this context, our suppliers and their subcontractors must also meet minimum economic, environmental, social and ethical requirements.

In particular, the guidelines must take into account the core labor standards of the International Labor Organization of the United Nations (ILO) and the Supply Chain Sourcing Obligations Act of the Federal Republic of Germany (LkSG). BOS-JRG reserves the right to verify compliance with the sustainability requirements by means of audits.

5.1 Economic Sustainability

BOS-JRG strives to establish a strategic partnership with all suppliers who provide products and/or services. In doing so, the application of the applicable laws must be ensured.

BOS-JRG requires that suppliers always review their operational processes against the background of optimization through new technologies and to implement them if they are cost-effective. BOS-JRG expects that suppliers do not tolerate any form of corruption and install preventive measures against it.

5.2 Ecological Sustainability

BOS-JRG demands from its suppliers to minimize environmental pollution and to continuously improve their environmental footprint.

It is assumed that suppliers, with regard to their operational processes, always consider the use and optimization of environmentally improved procedures and at all times observe the legal norms as well as the international standards for the protection of the environment.

5.3 Social and Ethical Sustainability

For BOS-JRG, it goes without saying, that our suppliers also promote equal opportunities and equal treatment for employees - regardless of their religion, social background, nationality, age, disability, rank, sexual orientation, political or religious conviction, membership of a trade union or other organization, or gender. The dignity, personal rights and privacy of the individual must be respected.

BOS-JRG requires all suppliers to accept their responsibility and to take care of the health and safety of their employees. In this context, risks must be minimized and optimal precautions taken to prevent accidents and occupational diseases.

Furthermore, the Supplier undertakes to,

- not to employ anybody against his will or force them to work.
- not to tolerate unacceptable treatment of workers. This includes psychological hardship, sexual and personal harassment and discrimination..
- to provide adequate remuneration and to guarantee the national minimum wages established by law.
- to comply with the maximum working hours laid down by law in the respective country.
- recognize the freedom of association of workers and neither favor nor discriminate against members of workers' organizations or trade unions.
- not to employ or tolerate the employment of workers who do not have a minimum age of 15 years. This does not apply to countries which, within the framework of ILO Convention 138, fulfil the criteria of developing countries. In these cases, the minimum age of 14 years applies.

6 Extended Requirements for Suppliers

6.1 Suppliers of automotive-specific, product-related software and / or products with integrated software

If and to the extent Supplier delivers goods or products with automotive-specific, product-related software or products for the automotive industry with integrated software to BOS-JRG or a third party designated by BOS-JRG, the supplier shall implement and maintain a process for quality assurance of the delivered goods or products.

In order to evaluate the software development process, the supplier must apply software development evaluation methods. The supplier must keep documented information on the results of self-assessments on the software development capabilities for at least 15 years and make it available to BOS-JRG upon request. This shall include prioritization by risk and potential impact to the customer. When selecting the assessment method, it must be ensured that it corresponds to the state of the art and is recognized by the customer. IATF 16949 refers in its appendix "B" to the assessment methods "Automotive SPICE" or "Capability Maturity Model Integration (CMMI)".

6.2 Suppliers of Volkswagen Group and BMW to appoint Product Safety & Conformity Representatives

This section refers to the requirements for naming a Product Safety and Conformity Representative (PSCR). The tasks and responsibilities are described on the homepage of BOS-JRG in the Supplier Portal.

6.3 Suppliers of Volkswagen Group (Formel Q konkret) for TLD Audits in Supply Chain

This section refers to the requirements to perform TLD audits on delivery items subject to documentation according to “Formel Q capability” in the supply chain by BOS-JRG and the supplier, as amended.

6.4 Modifications

Amendments or supplements to this contract must be made in writing, must be executed as an addendum and must be approved by BOS-JRG.

6.5 Jurisdiction

This contract is subject to German substantive law. The place of jurisdiction for all disputes arising from or in connection with this contract is Stuttgart (Germany).

6.6 Further applicable Documents

If BOS-JRG and the supplier have concluded a Framework Agreement which includes the warranty agreement, the General Logistics Agreement or a consignment warehouse agreement, these shall apply in addition to this General Quality Agreement for Suppliers. In the event of contradictions, The Framework Agreement shall take precedence over the General Quality Guideline for Suppliers. In addition, the General Purchasing Conditions of BOS-JRG, which can be found at www.XXX.de (wil be provided later), shall apply as agreed the supplier.

6.7 Other applicable industry documents

Publications are available from the Automotive Industry Action Group (AIAG), CLEPA and the German Association of the Automotive Industry (Verband der Automobilindustrie e.V.). (VDA) to obtain.

6.8 Salvatory Clause

Should individual provisions of this agreement be invalid or unenforceable or become invalid or unenforceable after conclusion of the contract, the validity of the remaining provisions shall remain unaffected. The invalid or unenforceable provision shall be replaced by a valid and enforceable provision whose effects come as close as possible to the economic objective pursued by the parties to the contract with the invalid or unenforceable provision. The above provisions shall apply accordingly in the event that the agreement proves to be incomplete.

7 Abbreviations

8D	8 Disciplines - Report / Process for reporting a problem solution
AIAG	Automotive Industry Action Group
SCA	Special Features Agreement
CLEPA	European Automotive Suppliers Association
EMPB	Initial sample report (PPAP or PPF)
FMEA	Potential Failure Mode and Effects Analysis
GQA	General Quality Agreement (this document)
IATF	International Automotive Task Force
IMDS	International Material Data System
ISO	International Standards Organization
LkSG	Supply Chain Security Obligations Act of the Federal Republic of Germany
MAQMSR	Minimum Automotive Quality Management Systems Requirements
NHTSA	National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
OEM	Original Equipment Manufacturer
PPAP	Production Part Approval Process
PPF	Production Process and Product Approval (VDA Volume 2)
PPM	Parts Per Million
PSCR	Product Safety & Conformity Representative / Product Safety Representative
PSW	Part Submission Warrant
VDA	German Association of the Automotive Industry

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