



SCOPE OF ACCREDITATION TO ISO/IEC 17025:2005

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MECHANICAL

Valid To: December 31, 2018

Certificate Number: 0214.35

In recognition of the successful completion of the A2LA evaluation process, accreditation is granted to this laboratory to perform the following tests on the following product types: Aerospace, Automotive, Avionics, Consumer Products, Electronics, Industrial, Medical, Military Telecommunication and Textiles.

**Test Technology:**

**Test Method(s):**

Plating Adhesion

IPC-TM-650 (Section 2.4.1); IEC 60664; IEC 61086

Strength/Compression

(Bond Strength, Lap Shear Strength, Shear Strength, Compression/Compression Strength, Tension/Tensile Strength, Tack, Tear Strength, Tear Resistance, Propagation Tear, Peel Strength, Scratch Resistance)

ASTM D638; IPC-TM-650 (Sections 2.4.8, 2.4.8.1, 2.4.18, 2.4.18.1, 2.4.21, and 2.4.44); MIL-STD-883, Method 5011; UL 796; IEC 60664

**Range:**

Up to 10,000 lbs  
 (-170 to 425) °C

Bow and Twist/Warpage

IPC-TM-650 (Section 2.4.22.1);  
 IPC-TM-650 (Section 2.4.22)

Failure Analysis using Techniques Included in Method O-17 or in the Chemical, Electrical and/or Mechanical Scope

BAL O-17<sup>1</sup>

Electronic Part Authenticity Testing/Counterfeit Detection

BAL O-27<sup>1</sup>;  
 SPOC-419 (*Excluding Paragraphs 9 to 13*)

Flammability

UL 94 (Sections 7 and 8)

Flexibility Endurance/Folding Flexibility

IPC-TM-650 (Section 2.4.3);  
 MIL-P-50884<sup>2</sup>; IEC 61086

**Test Technology:**

**Test Method(s):**

Fungus Resistance (Non-Nutrient Growth)

ASTM G21;  
IPC-TM-650 (Sections 2.6.1 and 2.6.1.1);  
MIL-STD-810;  
MIL-I-46058<sup>2</sup> Amendment 7 (Sections 3.7 and 4.8.4);  
IEC 61086

Hardness  
(Pencil, Shore A, Shore D, Shore O, Knoop,  
Vickers)

ASTM D3363; ASTM D2240;  
ASTM E92; ASTM E384;  
IPC-TM-650 (Section 2.4.27.2)

Temperature/Humidity Exposure/Damp Heat

IPC-TM-650 (Sections 2.6.11 and 2.6.15);  
Delphi/Delco Q-1000, Methods 105 and 106;  
MIL-STD-202, Method 108; IEC 60664; IEC 61086

Range:

(10 to 98) %RH  
(-170 to 500) °C

Corrosion of Flux using Temperature/Humidity  
Chamber

IPC-TM-650 (Section 2.6.15)

Hydrolytic Stability/Temperature/Humidity Aging

IPC-TM-650 (Sections 2.6.11 and 2.6.11.1);  
MIL-I-46058<sup>2</sup>

Life at Elevated Ambient Temperature

MIL-STD-202, Method 108

High/Low Temperature Exposure

IPC-TM-650 (Sections 2.6.11 and 2.6.15);  
Delphi/Delco Q-1000, Methods 105 and 106;  
MIL-STD-202, Method 108; IEC 60664; IEC 61086

Range:

(-75 to 180) °C

Shelf Life

MIL-I-46058<sup>2</sup>; IPC-CC-830

Microscopic Evaluation/Visual Examination/  
Microsection Analysis (Cross-Section)  
(3 to 10,000x)

Delphi/Delco Q-1000, Method: Cross-section Analysis,  
105, 106, and 201;  
IPC-TM-650 (Sections 2.1.1, 2.1.2, 2.1.5,  
and 2.1.10); IEC 60664; IEC 61086

Solder Slump

IPC-TM-650 (Section 2.4.35)

Thickness – Micrometer

ASTM D1005; MIL-I-46058<sup>2</sup>

Goniometer/Hydrophobic Contamination/  
Contact Angle/Surface Wettability

ASTM C813; ASTM D7334

Ultraviolet Exposure

ASTM G154

Xenon Arc Exposure

ASTM G155

**Test Technology:**

Shock  
(Thermal Shock, Air-to-Air, Liquid-to-Liquid,  
Thermal Cycling, Temperature Cycling,  
Rapid Change of Temperature)

**Range:**

(-75 to 180) °C

Solderability/Steam Aging

Rework Simulation/Thermal Stress/  
Solder Shock/Resistance to Soldering Heat

Water Absorption/Moisture Absorption

Water Vapor Transmission

X-Ray Radiography

Instrumental Color Difference Measurements for  
Exterior Finishes, Textiles, and Colored Trim

**Test Method(s):**

Delphi/Delco Q-1000, Method 101;  
IPC-TM-650 (Sections 2.6.7, 2.6.7.1, and 2.6.7.2);  
MIL-STD-202, Method 107; IEC 60664; IEC 61086

Delphi/Delco Q-1000, Method 202;  
IPC-J-STD-002; IPC-J-STD-003

IPC-TM-650 (Sections 2.4.13.1, 2.4.36, and 2.6.8);  
MIL-STD-202, Method 210; IEC 60664

ASTM D570;  
IPC-TM-650 (Sections 2.6.2 and 2.6.2.1)

ASTM E96

MIL-STD-883, Method 2012

SAE J545

Supporting the following documents: IPC-SM-840, IPC-CC-830, IPC-6012, IPC-6013,  
MIL-A-28870, MIL-I-46058, MIL-P-50884, MIL-PRF-31032, MIL-PRF-55110, IPC-J-STD-004,  
IPC-J-STD-005

This laboratory also uses customer supplied specifications and/or methods directly related to the testing technologies and parameters listed above.

Facility studies performed according to IPC-QL-653 "Certification of Facilities that Inspect/Test Printed Boards, Components and Materials."

<sup>1</sup> In-house Test Method.

<sup>2</sup> This laboratory's scope contains withdrawn or superseded methods. As a clarifier, this indicates that the applicable method itself has been withdrawn or is now considered "historical" and not that the laboratory's accreditation for the method has been withdrawn.



## *Accredited Laboratory*

A2LA has accredited

# **NATIONAL TECHNICAL SYSTEMS (NTS) BALTIMORE**

*Hunt Valley, MD*

for technical competence in the field of

## **Mechanical Testing**

This laboratory is accredited in accordance with the recognized International Standard ISO/IEC 17025:2005 *General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories*. This accreditation demonstrates technical competence for a defined scope and the operation of a laboratory quality management system (refer to joint ISO-ILAC-IAF Communiqué dated 8 January 2009).



Presented this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2017.

A handwritten signature in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

President and CEO  
For the Accreditation Council  
Certificate Number 0214.35  
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*For the tests to which this accreditation applies, please refer to the laboratory's Mechanical Scope of Accreditation.*