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UK NANDTB ADVISORY AD-015

SUBJECT: prEN4179 p6

BACKGROUND:

Following the initial harmonisation of prEN4179 and NAS410 in 2003, under the terms of a Memorandum of Understanding between AIA and ASD-STAN, the international harmonisation team have continued to jointly review and update these standards culminating in EN4179:2017 and NAS410 rev 4 and most recently, prEN4179 edition P6.

As is the way in the EU, a revision to an EN results in its publication by ASD-STAN as a prEN. The process of transference to CEN in order to be published as an EN can vary in time but no change of technical content to the standard is allowed to result from the formal vote process.

In order to ensure we keep harmonised and in step with the NAS410 revision process, it is imperative we embrace the prEN4179 p6 edition and prepare for its release as an EN4179:2020 standard later in the year.

STATEMENT:

In order to ensure that the UK remains compliant with the harmonised versions of EN4179 and NAS410, at a meeting of the UK NANDTB on 10th March 2020, it was unanimously agreed that prEN4179 edition P6 May 2020, on release will be the recognised standard for Qualification and Approval of aerospace NDT personnel applicable within the United Kingdom.

ACTION:

The UK NANDTB has agreed a period of six (6) months from 1st May 2020 to make prEN4179 edition P6 effective. This will become auditable on 1st November 2020.

It is expected that this will also coincide with the release of EN4179:2020.

Personnel certified to previous revisions of EN4179 need not recertify to the requirement of prEN4179 edition P6 until their current certification expires.

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Signed for the Board

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