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# APPENDIX K. ITEM 3 - TYPE NLS CONNECTOR NLS6GTXX-XXXX

DISPOSITION & RATIONALE

(A) DESIGN, (B) TEST, (C) INSPECTION, (D) FAILURE HISTORY:

#### (A) DESIGN

LOW SILHOUETTE, HIGH DENSITY, MINIATURE, CIRCULAR, ELECTRICAL CONNECTORS DESIGNED TO BE ENVIRONMENTALLY SEALED WITH EACH CONTACT INDIVIDUALLY SEALED TO PREVENT MOISTURE ENTRY AND EXCLUSION AFTER MATING. CONTACTS ARE INDIVIDUALLY REMOVABLE TO FACILITATE REPAIR AND REWORK. SOCKET CONTACTS ARE SHROUDED TO PREVENT DAMAGE DUE TO ELECTRICAL PROBING AND SELF ALIGN WITH PIN CONTACT. TO ASSIST MATING AND PREVENT BENT PIN CONTACTS. CONNECTOR COUPLING IS ACHIEVED BY A 1/3 TURN BAYONET COUPLING MECHANISM WITH A TACTILE DETENT WHEN FULLY MATED AND CAN BE INSPECTED THRU THREE INSPECTION HOLES.

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#### (B) TEST

#### QUALIFICATION/CERTIFICATION

CERTIFICATION TESTING AND ANALYSIS ARE COMPLETED AND AFPROVED. TESTS INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

TEST		CAUSE CONTROL						
		ь	c	a	e	£		
PERFORMANCE	х	х		· -	x			
THERMAL CYCLING (-250°F TO 392°F)	. '	1				Х		
DURABILITY (250 CYCLES MATE/DEMATE)	X		l					
VIBRATION (1.0 G <sup>2</sup> /HZ)	X	Į.	X	· .		-		
PHYSICAL SHOCK (75 G)	X	ĺ	х					
TEMPERATURE LIFE (392°F FOR 1000 HRS)	X	l		ļ		X		
INSERT RETENTION (75 PSI)	Х	l		1	X			
MOISTURE RESISTANCE (100% HUMIDITY)	l	X			}			
VACUUM (1x10 <sup>-8</sup> MM OF MERCURY)	X	l				ĺ		
CORROSION (5% SALT FOG, 48 HOURS)	l	X				l		
OZONE (0.01% FOR 2 HOURS)	X	X				i		
CONNECTOR MATING AND UNMATING FORCES	х	l			X	ĺ		
CONTACT RETENTION	X				X			

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## APPENDIX K, ITEM 3 - CONT'D

#### QUALIFICATION/CERTIFICATION, CONT'D

		CAUSE CONTROL							
TEST	а	ъ	С	a	e f				
DIELECTRIC WITHSTANDING VOLTAGE (1500 VAC AT 2 MILLIAMPERES)	x	Х	х	х	х				
INSULATION RESISTANCE (5000 MEGOHMS)	x	X	X	х	x	٠.			
CONTACT RESISTANCE (LESS THAN 65 MILLIOHMS)	X	Х	Х		X				
EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERE (2 GAS MIXTURES WILL NOT INITIATE EXPLOSION)	x	X			х				
SHELL CONDUCTIVITY (LESS THAN 50 MILLIOHMS)	x	Х	x		x				

# ACCEPTANCE AND SCREENING

ALL CONNECTORS ARE SUBJECTED TO A 100% ACCEPTANCE PRIOR TO DELIVERY AND INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

	CAUSE CONTROL					
TEST	·a	Þ	С	a	e	
DIELECTRIC WITHSTANDING VOLTAGE (1500 VAC)	х	x	х	х	. х	
INSULATION RESISTANCE (5000 MEGOHMS AT 500 VDC)	х	х	х	х	x	
CONTACT ENGAGING AND SEPARATING FORCES (VARIES BY SIZE)	х	x		ļ	x	
EXAMINATION OF PRODUCT (DIMENSIONAL/VISUAL)	х	x			х	
INSERT BOND INTEGRITY (VERIFIES ADHESIVES) SHELL CONDUCTIVITY	X	X			X	
(LESS THAN 50 MILLIOHMS)			,			

#### APPENDIX K, ITEM 3 - CONT'D

## ACCEPTANCE TEST AT NEXT ASSEMBLY:

TEST	c	CAUSE CONTROL						
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EXAMINATION (VISUAL) DIELECTRIC WITHSTANDING VOLTAGE (1500 VAC)*	x	X X			x x			
CONTINUITY (VERIFIES CIRCUIT PATH)	x	x	i		х			

<sup>\*</sup> NOTE: PIGTAILED COMPONENTS AND MINOR HARNESS REWORK MAY NOT BE SUBJECT TO THIS TEST.

#### (C) INSPECTION

## SUPPLIER INSPECTION (FAILURE CAUSE a,b,e)

ALL RAW MATERIALS INSPECTED AND RECORDED UPON RECEIPT. CRITICAL PROCESSES (MOLDING, BONDING, PLATING) WITNESSED AND TESTED BY INSPECTION PERSONNEL.

# CONTAMINATION CONTROL (FAILURE CAUSE b)

CONTAMINATION CONTROL PROCESSES AND CORROSION PROTECTION PROVISIONS ARE VERIFIED BY INSPECTION. CONNECTOR IS CLEANED AS REQUIRED DURING AND AFTER ASSEMBLY.

# ASSEMBLY/INSTALLATION (FAILURE CAUSE a,b,e)

ALL RAW MATERIALS ARE INSPECTED UPON RECEIPT. ALL MOLDING, MACHINING, AND ASSEMBLY PROCESSES ARE INSPECTED DURING AND AFTER COMPLETION OF THE ASSEMBLY CYCLE WHICH INCLUDES SHOP TRAVELERS AND MANDATORY INSPECTION POINTS (MIP'S).

# CRITICAL PROCESSES (FAILURE CAUSE a,e)

ALL BONDING, PLATING AND MOLDING OPERATIONS ARE VERIFIED BY DETAILED INSPECTION INSTRUCTIONS.

## TESTING (FAILURE CAUSE a,b,e)

100% OF ALL PARTS DELIVERED ARE TESTED AND WITNESSED BY INSPECTION PERSONNEL.

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## APPENDIX K, ITEM 3 - CONT'D

#### HANDLING/PACKACING (FAILURE CAUSE a,b)

PARTS ARE PACKAGED AND PROTECTED TO MILITARY LEVELS, AND ARE VERIFIED BY QC TO APPLICABLE LEVELS.

### (D) FAILURE HISTORY

FAILURE HISTORY INDICATES NO GENERIC FAILURE MODES EXIST (APOLLO, MILITARY, COMMERCIAL).

NUMEROUS PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN REPORTED RELATED TO MISHANDLING AND .... ABUSE (WORKMANSHIP) BUT NOT RELATED TO DESIGN.

#### IN-FLIGHT FAILURE HISTORY;

INADVERTENT DEMATE: PIN-TO-PIN SHORT (HOT): PIN-TO-PIN SHORT (GND):

### VEHICLE GROUND PROCESSING FAILURE HISTORY:

INADVERTENT DEMATE: PIN-TO-PIN SHORT (HOT): PIN-TO-PIN SHORT (GND):

PREPARED BY:

APPROVED BY:

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