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GNB Quality Code: 204 Revision: -Supplier Counterfeit Item Sale Prevention

1.0 Introduction and Scope

- 1.1 This Quality Code has been established to describe the process and due diligence performed by suppliers to prevent the sale of counterfeit items to GNB Corporation.
- 1.2 The scope of this code applies to all items supplied to GNB Corporation.
- 1.3 A counterfeit item an unlawful or unauthorized reproduction, substitution, or alteration that has been knowingly mismarked, misidentified, or otherwise misrepresented to be an authentic, unmodified item from the original manufacturer, or a source with the express written authority of the original manufacturer or current design activity, including an authorized aftermarket manufacturer. Unlawful or unauthorized substitution includes used items represented as new, or the false identification of grade, serial number, lot number, date code, or performance characteristics.

2.0 Process

- 2.1 Supplier shall maintain an effective process to avoid the use and delivery of counterfeit or suspect counterfeit items to GNB Corporation.
- 2.2 Supplier shall provide written notification to GNB Corporation within 24 hours of becoming aware or having reason to suspect, such as through inspection, testing, record review, or notification from another source (*e.g.*, seller, customer, third party) that any item purchased by GNB Corporation is counterfeit or suspect counterfeit.
- 2.3 Supplier shall retain counterfeit or suspect counterfeit items in its possession at the time of discovery until disposition instructions have been provided by GNB Corporation.

3.0 Control

- 3.1 In the event that counterfeit or suspect counterfeit items are found at GNB Corporation, a written notification will be provided to the supplier immediately.
- 3.2 Counterfeit items found at GNB Corporation will be processed per GNB Corporation's Non-Conforming Product procedure.
- 3.3 Supplier will provide a disposition to return or scrap counterfeit items found at GNB Corporation.
- 3.4 Supplier may be removed from the Approved Supplier List at the discretion of GNB Corporation if supplied with counterfeit items.

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