

March 2, 1999

MEMORANDUM FOR DOD LEAD STANDARDIZATION ACTIVITIES (LSA)

SUBJECT: Approval of Air Force Specifications

We sent you a memorandum on a similar subject on February 19, 1997, to request the help of LSAs to ensure that Air Force preparing activities do not issue unauthorized detail specifications. In addition, we have provided previous information on Air Force officials designated as certifiers for performance specifications. The cited memorandum is hereby canceled and replaced by the following instructions, which apply to processing of Air Force-prepared standardization documents.

The Air Force Materiel Command has identified Standardization Executives for those centers engaged in development of defense standardization documents. The role of the Center Standardization Executive subsumes the previous role of Center Document Certifying Officials and includes the following duties:

- Certification of military performance specifications prepared by the associated center Standardization Management Activity (SMA).
- Certification of a need by the associated SMA to develop new military-unique detail specifications or maintain existing detail specifications as fully active.
- Validation of Air Force need for a new, "dual use" nongovernment standard.
- Approval of center representatives nominated to serve on national and international standardization bodies.

LSAs are requested not to assign standardization project numbers to any applicable Air Force SMA for the development of a new detail specification or revision of an existing active detail specification, unless they have verified that the Center Standardization Executive for that Air Force activity has authorized the project. This authorization confirmation can be made informally by contacting the appropriate SMA through email, fax, or phone. Attached is a list of the Air Force Center Standardization Executives and the applicable Air Force SMAs.

In addition, the Air Force asks that LSAs ensure that any request by an applicable Air Force SMA to adopt a nongovernment standard or to name a representative to a national or international nongovernment standards body is properly endorsed by their Center Standardization Executive. This is to ensure proper Air Force participation in the standardization process at the national and international levels.

By copy of this memorandum, the DoD Single Stock Point (DoDSSP) is directed to index, print, and distribute Air Force-prepared active detail specifications only if accompanied by evidence of the original project authorization or other endorsement by the cognizant Center Standardization Executive. Likewise, all new performance specifications must include certification by the Center Standardization Executive that the document is written in performance terms.

Approval is not required for the processing of detail specifications that are inactive for new design. For this case, LSAs may approve standardization projects and the DoDSSP may index, print, and distribute the associated documents, without the approval of the cognizant Air Force Center Standardization Executive.

Both we and the Department of the Air Force appreciate your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions about this process, please contact Mr. Bob Rosell of the Air Force Material Command on DSN 787-5448 or (937) 257-5448.

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Director

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DoDSSP (Mr. Rick Rodemer)

Attachment

**AIR FORCE MATERIEL COMMAND (AFMC) CENTER
STANDARDIZATION EXECUTIVES**

SD-1 CODE	CENTER STANDARDIZATION EXECUTIVE NAME & ORGANIZATION
11	Mr. Gary Adams, Aeronautical Systems Center, ASC/EN
16	Lt. Col. John Eckerly, Electronic Systems Center / Materiel Systems Group, MSG/ILMP
19	Mr. Les Bordelon, Space and Missile Systems Center, SMC/AX
27, 68, 79, 82	Mr. Harry Ehlers, San Antonio Air Logistics Center, SA-ALC/TIE
70	Mr. Gary Jackson, Ogden Air Logistics Center, OO-ALC/TIE
71	Mr. Gary Richey, Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center, OC-ALC/LI
80	Mr. Earl Hendricks, Sacramento Air Logistics Center, SM-ALC (DMEA)
84	Mr. Michael D. Cronan, Warner Robins Air Logistics Center, WR-ALC/TI

(Note: Air Force SD-1 Codes 01 through 09, 35, 50, and 90 through 94 are outside the authority of Air Force Materiel Command and so do not have Center Standardization Executives. Consequently, direction with respect to Center Standardization Executive certification, validation and approval do not apply for these SMAs.)

For any AFMC organization not shown above, please contact Bob Rosell of AFMC on DSN 787-5448 or (937) 257-5448)