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From: Commander, Military Sealift Command
To: Seth Heinrich, The GBS Group

Subj: QUALIFICATION OF THE GBS GROUP FOR INSPECTION AND REPAIR
SERVICE SUPPORT FOR T-AGOS 19 AND T-AGOS 23 CLASS BEARINGS

Ref: (a) COMSC Instruction 4490.1C

1. Reference (a) establishes Military Sealift Command (MSC) policy and procedures for qualification requirements in the procurement of items critical to safety and the modification, repair and overhaul of those items assigned to Military Sealift Command vessels. The Instruction designates the MSC Engineering Director as the Design Control Activity (DCA) responsible to ensure that the design, production and performance standards are met for ship critical safety items. The instruction further assigns responsibility to the DCA to establish qualification requirements and to qualify and identify vendors that meet the criteria and standards for ship critical safety items.
2. The GBS Group requested consideration for qualification and submitted all required information. An MSC N7 Engineering DCA evaluation team reviewed that information and determined that The GBS Group meets the relevant qualification criteria for inspection and repair services on T-AGOS 19 Class General Electric Main Motor Thrust Bearings and Waukesha Journal and Lineshaft Bearings, and T-AGOS 23 Class Renk Main Motor Thrust/Journal Bearings and Vickers PLC/Michell Lineshaft Bearings.
3. The GBS Group is deemed qualified to provide OEM-equivalent inspection and repair services on MSC ships for the bearing systems described in Paragraph 2. This qualification must be re-evaluated no later than 24 months from the date of this letter. Within its sole discretion, MSC may revoke qualification at any time if The GBS Group fails to provide quality maintenance and repair services, or if The GBS Group is unable to sustain the capabilities required in reference (a).
4. The MSC point of contact is Benjamin Hawbaker, ph: (757)341-6211; email: mssc_nonoem_qual@us.navy.mil.



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