

IECEx QUALITY ASSESSMENT REPORT



IECEx QAR Reference No.: NO/PRE/QAR12.0001 Audit Report No.: **NEM-QAR-466983**

ExCB Project No.:	Nemko NEX 466983		
Manufacturer Include Address with post code	Norske Backer AS Jostein Svendheimsvei 8-10 N- 2212 Kongsvinger NORWAY		
Production Site(s) audited Include Address with post code	(Same as above)		
Product Description	Immersion heaters and duct heaters; Heating elements		
Employee count	Total onsite: 50 Total involved in Ex products: Approx. 10		
Scope of Audit	Initial Assessment □ Re-Assessment ⊠ Surveillance Assessment □ Special Assessment □		
Scheme	IECEx ⊠ Other (specify) □		
Electrical equipment with type(s) of protection of	d ⊠ e ⊠ h □ i □ m □ n □ p □ t □ op □ Other (specify) □		
Audit Team Leader	Asgeir Holt		
Audit Date	2022-09-2021		

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1. Summary Report

Assessment Summary and Conclusions:

(State the most important results and conclusions of the quality assessment)

The audit was conducted according to the agreed audit programme. The audit team was met with a positive and professional atmosphere. In general, the QA system seems to be well implemented and is functioning satisfactorily, but some improvements should be possible. No nonconformites were found during the audit.

As a result of the audit some observations / suggestions for improvement were registered. Observations found will be checked out during next surveillance audit.

All critical phases of the production and assembly, including receiving goods control and final testing / verifications are carried out in the manufacturer's facilities in Kongsvinger, except casting of aluminum housing (Ex d heating elements) that are carried out by Norse Metal AS, Elverum on a batch basis. All machining to be carried out by Norske Backer. (Note: only one batch supplied so far.)

The Ex de part consists of an Ex e enclosure (material delivered by and bending carried out by the supplier Rustfrie Berg AS) incorporating Ex component certified Ex d thermostats (Jumo / Thuba / Stego / Ephy-Mess).

Ex production by customer order.

The audit was carried out as a combined re-assessment audit for IECEx QAR and ATEX QAN. Ref. ATEX Notification Nemko 04ATEX4052Q, issued by Nemko AS, acc. to EN ISO/IEC 80079-34:2020 incl. A.2, A.3 and A.5.

Next Quality Audit due : 2024-02 (surveillance)

Non-Conformities

(Indicate the Serial No.(s) of non-conformities recorded. Individual non-conformities are recorded on the non-conformity reports)

NCR No.(s): N/A See Nemko Ex audit report 466983

Audit Team Leader Recommendations

\boxtimes	Notification / Certification to be issued/maintained
	once satisfactory technical assessment of the product is completed, and a test report is issued.
\boxtimes	Notification / Certification to be issued/maintained
	following receipt of satisfactory documentary evidence supporting effective corrective action, and a
	test report is issued. Corrective action to be verified at next surveillance visit.
	Notification / Certification to be issued/maintained
	following a satisfactory follow-up visit and verification that corrective actions have been effectively
	documented and implemented, and test report issued.
	Notification / Certification to be refused/suspended
	a further complete assessment to be conducted
	Notification / Certification to be refused/suspended
	close the application/withdraw the notification and inform the Scheme Administrator
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Audit Information

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Z.1 Scope of Audit: Type A initial assessment/reassessment of manufacturer with a certified QMS*					
2.2 Audit Criteria : OD 025 Ed. 3.1 List any other reference documents, against which Audit was conducted : ISO/IEC 80079-34:2018 ISO 9001:2015					
2.3 Date(s) and Duration of Audit : 2022-09-2021, Include total number of auditor days on site : Totally 2 auditor days on site 2.4 Details of ISO 9001 Certification:					
	Certified by	Expiry date	Sco	рре	
900667	Nemko AS	2025-10-18	eled con haz mai	evelopment, production and sales of ctrical heating systems complete with attrollers, including versions for exardous locations, adapted to the rket segments Industry, Marine, Oil of Gas.'	
If ISO 9001 certified, are no Yes No N/A (no NCs)	n-conformities fr	om latest ISO 90	001 a	udit reviewed? □ □	
Comments to ISO 9001 no	n-conformities				
N/A					
2.5 Composition of Audit Team:					
Name	Position			Role in Audit (Sole Auditor, Team Leader, Auditor, Technical Specialist, etc)	

Interviewed Representatives of Manufacturer (Auditee): 2.6

Asgeir Holt

Name	Position
Bengt Olsson	Quality Manager
Ole Kristian Såheim	Technical Designer / Ex responsible
Sigurd Bergkvist	Design Engineer Manager

Sole Auditor

ATEX & IECEx Lead Auditor

2.7 External Providers: (Use this table to list External Providers reviewed during audit of supplier evaluation)

Name of Provider	Critical item or service provided
Rustfrie Bergh	Ex e enclosure material (steel)
Jumo / Thuba / Stego / Ephy-Mess	Ex component certified Ex d thermostats
Norse Metal AS	Ex d casted aluminium enclosure / lid

Suppliers of enclosures / enclosure components & parts are considered safety critical, as well as suppliers of Ex component certified parts.

2.8 Manufacturers Documentation: (List manufactures documentation related to this Quality Audit Report) See Nemko Ex audit report 466983

2.9 IECEx QAR history:

Revision	Description	Issue date
	See IECEx.com for previous history	-
07	Re-assessment	2022-11-24

3. <u>Documentation Review and Assessment of Implementation</u>

See Nemko Ex audit report 466983

Requirement	Documents reference and/or comments	Verdict
ISO 9001:2015.	Document references and/or comments are given in the Nemko Ex audit report, if relevant	P
ISO/IEC 80079-34 addition to ISO 9001:2015	Document references and/or comments are given in the Nemko Ex audit report, if relevant	P

4.List of certificates relating to IECEx QAR No mandated format required See Nemko Ex audit report 466983

5. Audit non-conformities and Observations

See Nemko Ex audit report 466983