



HVI Addendum A to HVI Publication 920:2020

HVI PRODUCT PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE INCLUDING VERIFICATION AND CHALLENGE©

Reference: HVI Publication 920:2020 Section 4.23.2

Background: Concern was raised during the 2021 ISO17065 accreditation audit by ANSI/ANAB that, in order to maintain compliance with clause 4.4.2 of ISO17065, the HVI Board of Directors, which is comprised of manufacturers and HVI members, must not have the authority to approve or reject a manufacturer's application for participation in the HVI Certified Ratings Program. Instead, to ensure impartial treatment of all program applicants and participants, the responsibility to confirm an applicant meets the requirements for program participation should rest with HVI Certification Staff and be based on objective criteria.

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Revise Section 4.23.2 as shown.

4.23.2. An applicant ~~which~~ who qualifies for participation in the HVI-Certified Ratings Program as an Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) may apply for certification of its products following ~~a vote of approval by the HVI Board,~~ execution of the HVI Certified Ratings Program Participation Agreement, and payment of an initial fee.

Date of Implementation: February 16, 2022

Impact on Current Certifications: No Impact

Impact on Verification Program: No Impact

Approval Authority: HVI Board of Directors approval by letter ballot on February 16, 2022