

Vendor Inspection and Expediting Services

Quality Control, Vendor inspection and expediting are an integral part of a project purchasing activities. IQS offer a complete range of services. These services comprise Engineering Inspection of mechanical and electrical equipment at the vendor's works, complete quality control of plate and tubular steel mills, Pre-shipment Inspection, Expediting at vendor's works and Technical Capability Audits.

Whether for new construction or ongoing maintenance, our inspection and expediting services give confidence that purchased equipment will arrive when required and to the specification requested of the manufacturer.

Inspection

Vendor Inspection, sometimes referred to as Source Inspection or Third Party Inspection, covers inspection activities performed at manufacturer's works of all types of mechanical, electrical, electronic, and instrumentation equipment that are purchased by clients within the Petrochemical, Oil & Gas, Pharmaceutical and Mining Industries.

IQS is able to accommodate from a single order to multiple orders for an entire project. The scope or level of inspection is determined by the client's requirements which are normally controlled by a Quality Plan. This scope can range from final inspection to an intensive inspection regime starting from the pre-production meeting, through identification and inspection of all raw materials, inspections at all prescribed hold-point stages, witnessing all tests, verification of all documentation & certificates and a final release inspection.

Inspection activities are achieved using our resource base of field Engineers. All field Engineers are inducted in accordance with our Quality Management System and are assessed on an ongoing basis for capability and competency. This has a direct, positive impact on the quality of the inspection services we provide.

Field & Desk Expediting

Today Expediting is an integral part of the procurement process. In the past, Expediting has been considered a corrective function rather than a preventive function. However, as both the schedule and the pricing of projects continue to become increasingly critical, Expediting should be incorporated into the project planning at the onset to ensure the required timely delivery.

Expediting is a continuous process, commencing at the time of order placement, of ensuring that final delivery of goods and documentation to the job site is achieved within the shortest possible timeframe. Expediting service should be implemented independently of inspection activities and be carried out by experienced professional field expeditors who have a sufficient understanding of the material on order to enable them to work with the manufacturer to minimize the time frame for each manufacturing phase as much as is physically and financially possible.

Depending on client requirements, expediting services may apply at different stages of a project such as fabrication and assembly, rectification work, material deficit, failure on test or inspection, shipment and packing, and submission of documentation.

Technical Capability Audits

Quality Assurance Engineers carry out Pre-Contract Award Surveys, Supplier Evaluations, Third Party Quality Assurance Audits and Vendor Surveillance.

IQS has a good experience with the vast majority of oil & gas-related vendors and contractors around the country enabling us to conduct pre-contract award surveys by QA Engineers with regular experience of these manufacturers.

This can be a very useful tool for clients who are considering placing orders with unfamiliar vendors or who have reservations about placing an order with a vendor through previous experience or knowledge. In addition, it may be beneficial, as part of a 'lessons learnt' exercise, to receive a full assessment of a manufacturer, once a problematic order has been completed. Supplier Evaluation will include, though not be limited to, details of the vendor's Quality System, Traceability, Capacity, Current Workload, Manpower, Affiliations, History/client base, Number of Personnel and their qualifications.

Import supervision

The scope for import supervision or pre-shipment inspection may include the verification of the goods with respect to quality, quantity, export market price, laboratory testing & analysis, import eligibility, labeling, value for Customs purposes, depending on the requirements of the client or local legislative requirements. The quality and quantity inspection may be for verifying that the goods conform to contractual specifications and that the value and Customs tariff code for Customs purposes, Packing review, and Loading supervision.

For this purpose many functions, such as issue of assignments, budgetary control, tracking of non-conformances, order status, scheduling of visits and initial contact with manufacturer would be administrated and controlled by IQS.

Our field inspectors are familiar with working in accordance with a wide variety of Standards/Specifications and report forms as a result of our extensive international client base. All reports are technically reviewed for completeness and correctness by the qualified site chief engineer, prior to client submission. However, the client's need for timeliness of report submission is appreciated.

IQS provides you with the opportunity to achieve your quality needs in a speedy, professional and efficient manner. This is providing a comprehensive cost effective service to our clients.



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