



Process Failure Mode and Effects Analysis

With reference to the Product failure mode and effects analysis (PFMEA) which is a requirement of IATF 16949:

Columbus Stainless is a supplier of stainless steel flat products, with a quality management system certified to ISO 9001:2015 by third party TUV Rheinland (D-ZM-16031-01-00). Input into the automotive industry is in the form of coil, sheet, slit and blanks according to international and customer specific specifications. It is therefore considered as a material supplier and not a component supplier.

The company maintains and improves the quality management system through internal and second party audits and an ad hoc basis for selected customer –defined QMS requirements.

It is therefore considered that we comply with the requirements of IATF 16949 for a sub tier supplier to the automotive industry, by agreement of our customers, and would not be seeking third party certification to IATF 16949.

As Columbus Stainless does not provide parts to the automotive sector but only flat products, we do not provide the document for PFMEA.

We trust that you will find this acceptable



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