Bharat Sarkar (Government of India)
Rail Mantiyal (Ministry of Railways)
Railway Board (Railway Board)

No. 2000/RS(G)/379/2
New Delhi, dated: 29.08.2018

The General Manager, All Indian Railways & PU’s, NF(C), CORE
The DG/RDSO/Lucknow & NAIR/Vadodara
MD/RITES
CAOs, DMW/Patiala, WPO/Patna, COFMOW/New Delhi, RWP/Bela

Sub: Pre-inspection of material by RITES/RDSO.
Ref: Board’s letter Nos.
(i) 99/RS(G)/709/4 dated 17.05.2000.
(ii) 2000/RS(G)/379/2 dated 09.08.2006.
(iii) 2000/RS(G)/379/2 dated 27.05.2008.
(iv) 2000/RS(G)/379/2 dated 06.09.2017.

During course of vigilance investigation, it was noticed that RITES Inspection Certificate was not accompanied by any test certificate endorsed by RITES Engineer. There was also no indication on the RITES I/C regarding the inspection tests carried out either by RITES Inspecting Engineer or witnessed by RITES Inspecting Engineer as per the extant instructions. It was also observed that the RITES Inspecting Engineer failed to witness acceptance tests conducted by manufacturer as the tests were conducted on a date prior to RITES Inspecting Engineer’s visit to firm’s premises.

2. In view of above, it is advised that in cases of pre-dispatch inspection by third party (e.g. RITES/RDSO), wherever testing of material is involved, relevant test certificate/test reports/lab reports should be submitted, duly endorsed by the authority nominated to conduct inspection, alongwith supply apart from inspection certificate. This shall also be applicable in cases of inspection by nominated third party against Manufacturer’s Test Certificate. Further, Railway Board’s instructions issued vide letter No. 99/RS(G)/709/4 dated 17.05.2000 be followed in letter and spirit. In case, IC is only uploaded on website, link to data regarding relevant test certificate/test reports/lab reports should be available on the website for download by consignee.

3. Attention in this connection is also invited to Board’s letters of even number dated 09.08.2006 and 27.05.2008, which stipulate that in special cases (to be indicated by the indenter) where the inspection involves technical expertise or facility that is ordinarily not available with the consignee, RITES/RDSO inspection may be insisted upon, even if the value of the purchase order does not exceed Rs. 1 lakh (now enhanced to Rs. 5 lakhs).

4. Zonal Railways/PU’s are requested to follow the above instructions scrupulously.

[Signature]
(Anshu Malik)
Jt. Dir. Rly. Stores(G)
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