SUBJECT: Revised list of supporting functions for remote locations in the IATF Database

The purpose of this CB Communiqué is to advise all IATF Certification Bodies of the following revision that will be made to the list of supporting functions in the IATF Database:

1. a new function “continuous improvement” will be added
2. a new function “finance” will be added
3. a new function “internal audit management” will be added
4. a new function “management review” will be added
5. a new function “production equipment development” will be added
6. the function “labelling” will be removed
7. the function “servicing” will be removed the function “servicing” will remain active in order to enable certification bodies to fulfil the IATF Rules 4th Edition FAQ no. 2
8. the function “technical support” will be removed
9. the function “design” will be separated into “product design” and “process design”
10. the functions “procurement” and “purchasing” are two identical terms. The only remaining term will be “purchasing”
11. the two existing functions “facilities” and “facilities planning” will be combined under the one remaining function “facilities management”
12. the two existing functions “warranty” and “warranty evaluation” will be combined under the one remaining function “warranty management”
13. the two existing functions “supplier development” and “supplier control” will be combined under the one remaining function “supplier management”
14. the existing function “corporate quality” will be renamed as “quality system management”
As of 1st July 2015 only functions from the accordingly revised list can be selected. However IATF considers already selected functions still as valid until the relevant certificate expires. For newly issued certificates only the new existing terms in the IATF Database can be selected.

The following automatic change/replacement will be made in the IATF Database on 1st July 2015:

a) every selected function “procurement” will be replaced automatically by “purchasing”

b) all selected functions “facilities” and “facilities planning” will automatically be combined automatically as “facilities management”

c) all selected functions “warranty” and “warranty evaluation” will automatically be combined as “warranty management”

d) all selected functions “supplier development” and “supplier control” will automatically be combined as “supplier management”

e) all selected functions “corporate quality” will automatically be renamed as “quality system management”

A change on the relevant certificate is only required when reissuing the certificate or when a currently valid certificate is issued completely new.

For further information, please refer to document that will be uploaded to the “Latest News” section in the IATF Database explaining the detailed steps required and/or ask your IATF Oversight Office.