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Announcement

Bureau Veritas Exhibiting at Mobile World Congress 2017

~ Visit us between 27 February and 2 March in Barcelona ~

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We are delighted to inform you that we will once again be exhibiting at Mobile World Congress in Barcelona, Spain between 27 February and 2 March; however, this year under the Bureau Veritas name and with a bigger stand and portfolio of on-stand activities. Organized by the GSMA, the annual event provides a venue for over 100,000 industry players and over 2,000 exhibitors from all over the world to gather, network, exchange ideas and showcase cutting-edge technologies and the most innovative products.

Under the motto – **smart me • smart home • smart city** – Bureau Veritas will present our comprehensive portfolio, covering virtually all aspects that have to be tried and tested to make the Internet of Things become a working reality.

Meet the Bureau Veritas and BV/7layers specialists at **Stand #1F50** in **Hall 1** to learn about the hottest topics within today's and tomorrow's smart world – connected car certification, the new RED, LoRa compliance, Bluetooth 5, White-Fi development roadmap, NB-IoT progress, As well as discussing the latest technical and commercial requirements; over the course of the 4-day we will be providing executive insights covering the latest regulatory, performance, security and interoperability challenges within the smart world with practical guidelines on how to address and overcome.

The industry insight series will cover:

Smart Testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cybersecurity – Test Automation Tool Intro & Demo• Connectivity – Mitigating risk with wireless testing whilst optimizing quality and costs with our Test Management Tool, Interlab EVO from 7layers
Smart Home	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overcoming wireless connectivity and interoperability challenges in the Smart Home
Smart Wear	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction of our suite of solutions for integrated apparel, trackers and VR headsets that address the challenging needs of both compliance and consumer
Smart City	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The role of Low Power Wide Area Network technologies in the IoT including the latest compliance insights
Smart Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Update on the latest test standards and methodology associated with V2X communications



Explore our testing laboratories, in Barcelona...

For the first time, we will also be showcasing our latest test platforms at the show, virtually! All Smartworld products undergo testing to verify a number of needs, whether it is to validate design concepts & performance, to identify bugs that could impact performance in the field or to demonstrate compliance with an ever growing list of criteria. But how many people have seen a test lab? Visit our stand to explore what happens within a modern Smartworld laboratory. What does an **EMC** Chamber look like? Why do we perform **OTA** testing? How does **SAR** testing work and what is involved? What equipment do you need for a **RF** chamber? What do the **acronyms** stand for?!?

Augmented Reality Experience

As the requirements for compliance and performance grow, so does the range of services needed by the industry. Thanks to the latest advances in technology, we will be showcasing our suite of solutions for key segments allowing visitors to our stand to explore the range of services we provide for:



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Book your calendar now and visit us at the show. We look forward to welcoming you.

27 February – 2 March

Hall 1 / Stand 1F50 • Fira Gran Via • Barcelona • Spain

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Announcement

Bureau Veritas expands Sportswear Functional / Performance Testing Capability

~ New Services for Drying Rate of Textile Fabrics (AATCC 200 / AATCC 201) ~

Hong Kong, 11 April, 2017 - Bureau Veritas Consumer Products Services (BVCPS) is pleased to announce our laboratory in Hong Kong has expanded testing capability for drying rate of textile fabrics per AATCC 200 / AATCC 201 Standards. This is the latest addition to our comprehensive services for sportswear products including water vapor permeability, air permeability, ultraviolet protection, etc.

The American Association of Textile Chemists and Colorists (AATCC) has developed two test methods to determine the drying rate of textile fabrics. These test methods simulate actual wearing condition in which the fabric exposed to air flow and in contact with skin.

AATCC 200 Standard - Drying Rate of Textiles at their Absorbent Capacity: Air Flow Method

AATCC 201 Standard - Drying Rate of Fabrics: Heated Plate Method



Brands and retailers in the world are also putting more focus on R&D on materials that are intended to provide new or enhanced functional or performance of their apparel products, such as windbreaker, waterproof jacket, quick dry clothing, sun protective clothing, etc. Quick-dry and fast wicking functions are key features of moisture management fabric (MMF).

The expanded sportswear capability is thus to respond to the growing testing needs. This includes:

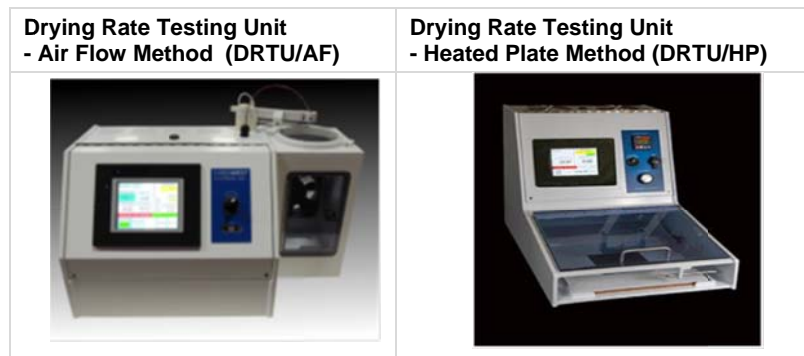
Test Standard	AATCC 200 Air Flow Method	AATCC 201 Heated Plate Method
Test Purpose	This procedure is used to determine the drying rate of textiles at their absorbent capacity under air flow condition	This procedure is to determine the drying rate of fabrics, exposed to a prescribed volume of water, while in contact with a heated plate set at 37°C (99°F), the skin surface temperature at which the human body starts to perspire.
Scope	This procedure is not for testing the drying rate for textiles taken from socks or hosiery	This method is applicable to all types of fabrics, including knits, wovens, and non-wovens, as well as to fabrics taken from end product items
Apparatus and Equipment	Dry rate testing unit for air flow method and micropipette	Dry rate testing unit for heated plated method and micropipette
Reporting Criteria	Absorbent capacity (ML) Drying rate (ML/H)	Volume of water used (ML) Drying rate (ML/H)

Additionally, our comprehensive sportswear testing services include:

Testing Services	US Standard	EU Standard
Water Vapour Permeability	ASTM E96	BS 7209
Air Permeability	ASTM D737	ISO 9237
Spray Test (Water Repellency)	AATCC 22	ISO 4920
Hydrostatic Pressure	AATCC 127	ISO 811
Rain Test (Water Resistance)	AATCC 35	ISO 22958
Wicking Testing	AATCC 197 / 198	-
Drying Rate	AATCC 200 / 201	-
Water Absorbency	AATCC 79	-
UV Protection	AATCC 183 / ASTM D6603 / ASTM D6544	BS EN 13758-1 / BS EN 13758-2

“Sportswear and fashion brands are adding more functionalities and performances to their products. To support their R&D and quality assurance needs, we are enhancing our capability and technical expertise in these technical areas, including functional garments and fabrics testing, smartwear testing and more.” said Gary Gao, Operation Director of BVCPS Hong Kong laboratory.

For enquiries or more information, please email at bvcps.softline@hk.bureauveritas.com or visit at www.bureauveritas.com/cps



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Announcement

19 April, 2017

LCIE becomes a Notified Body for CPR products

~ Supporting the new classification for energy, command and communication cables intended to be used in building construction with effect from 1st July, 2017 ~

We are pleased to announce that our LCIE in France, has been notified by the European Commission for the qualification of energy, command and communication cables products, under the Construction Products Regulation N° 305/2011(CPR).

LCIE is now a Notified Body for CPR products for the following fireproof classifications: B1_{ca}, B2_{ca} and C_{ca}. Its certification services include product testing and factory inspections that are performed on a regular basis as per the requirements of the AVCP 1+ system, as defined in EN 50575 Standard.

Additionally, LCIE is also notified for all CPR products with D_{ca} and E_{ca} fireproof classes. The certification services include product testing as per the requirements of AVCP 3 system as defined in EN 50575 standard.

The LCIE laboratories can now provide all the CPR testing services for energy, command and communication cables. Moreover, it is also accredited by the COFRAC as per NF EN ISO 17025 for the implementation of NF EN 50399, NF EN 61034-2, and NF EN 60332-1-2 Standards.

To learn more about LCIE's designation of a Notified Body pursuant to the Construction Products Regulation: [click here](#)

For enquiries or a service quote, contact us at contact@lcie.fr or visit www.lcie.fr.





Announcement

Meet Bureau Veritas at Planet Textiles 2017 in Bangalore, India on 24th May, 2017

12 May 2017, Hong Kong - Bureau Veritas, the global leading Testing, Inspection and Certification provider, is pleased to be participating in the upcoming **Planet Textiles 2017** event.

Planet Textiles is the leading annual summit on environmental issues for the global textile sector. Planet Textiles 2017 will take place on Wednesday 24th May at the JW Marriott Hotel, Bangalore, India and runs the day after the two-day Sustainable Apparel Coalition's annual member's meeting at the same venue.

Jointly organised by MCL News & Media, Messe Frankfurt and The Sustainable Apparel Coalition, this year's Planet Textiles will tackle the crucial issue of textile wastewater pollution, chemical management and natural resource conservation including both energy and water use.

Bureau Veritas is a member of Sustainable Apparel Coalition and a Value Chain Affiliates of the ZDHC Foundation.

As an event sponsor, Bureau Veritas will be exhibiting at the event. Rick Horwitch, our Vice President, Global Retail Lead & Supply Chain Strategy will be welcoming you at the evening reception.

Please join us at the Summit to meet Rick and our specialists to learn more on the **hottest topics on Sustainability** and exchange insights. As well as to check out **Bureau Veritas' Sustainability Solutions** that can effectively support you in managing **chemical compliance, chemical discharge** as well as developing **sustainable approach** in relation to **CSR, social audits**, and many more.

Mark your calendar to come and see us in the show. We are looking forward to seeing you soon.

Bureau Veritas@Planet Textiles 2017: The Sustainable Textile Summit 24th May, 2017

Summit Hours: 9:30am – 7:00pm
(*Evening Reception starts at 5:20pm)
JW Marriott Hotel, Bangalore, India
Enquiry: cps@in.bureauveritas.com

For further information, please visit www.bureauveritas.com/cps-events



Additional Resources

- >> Attendee Registration: [click here](#)
- >> Planet Textiles' Official Website: [click here](#)
- >> Summit Agenda: [click here](#)
- >> Sustainable Apparel Coalition: [click here](#)
- >> The ZDHC Foundation: [click here](#)

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Announcement

Bureau Veritas becomes a Value Chain Affiliate of the ZDHC Programme

~ Supporting the textile, leather and footwear industries to advance towards zero discharge ~

July 2017 – Bureau Veritas, a global leading Testing, Inspection and Certification provider for the consumer products industry, is pleased to announce it has committed to the Zero Discharge of Hazardous Chemicals (ZDHC) Programme.

The ZDHC Programme tackles the issue of hazardous chemicals in the global textile, leather and footwear value



chain. It is collaboration for leading textile, leather and footwear brands, and related chemical suppliers working collaboratively to implement safer chemistry practices to protect workers, consumers and the environment.

Niraj Singh, Director, Softlines & Analytical – Asia, Global Technical Services at Bureau Veritas CPS said: “As a trusted testing partner to leading brands and retailers in textiles, footwear and leather goods, we are delighted to officially become a Value Chain Affiliate to the ZDHC Programme. Bureau Veritas can partner clients in meeting the ZDHC Programme, which is critical towards eliminating hazardous chemicals from the global textile, leather and footwear industries. With a long history in developing and managing Restricted Substance List programmes, and with labs, sample collection staff and specialists worldwide, we are well positioned to assist you in your commitment to eradicating hazardous chemicals discharge.”

Additional Resources

>> The ZDHC Foundation: [click here](#)

>> Bureau Veritas Chemical Discharge Management Services: [click here](#)



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About Bureau Veritas

Bureau Veritas is a world leader in laboratory testing, inspection and certification services. Created in 1828, the group has more than 72,000 employees in 1,400 offices and laboratories around the globe. Bureau Veritas helps its clients to improve their performances by offering services and innovative solutions in order to ensure that their products, infrastructure and processes meet standards and regulations in terms of quality, health and safety, environmental protection and social responsibility. Bureau Veritas is listed on Euronext Paris and belongs to the Next 20 index (Compartment A, code ISIN FR 006174348, stock symbol: BVI) Website: www.bureauveritas.com

Bureau Veritas' Consumer Products Services division is a leading global quality assurance provider for the global consumer product and retail markets. It offers an array of specialized services including testing, inspections, audits and engineering services for a wide range of consumer products. These products include hard goods; toys and juvenile products; soft goods; premiums; electrical and electronic products including wireless and mobile devices; automotive equipment; food products as well as health, beauty, cosmetics, and household products. Website: www.bureauveritas.com/cps

Partnership with Bureau Veritas

In the continuous efforts of Cotton Egypt Association in the promotion and protection of the Egyptian cotton and the Egyptian cotton Logo trade mark, we have the pleasure to announce the newly established exclusive alliance with Bureau Veritas CPS.

Bureau Veritas is a **global leader in testing, inspection and certification** (TIC) services. They help businesses improve safety, sustainability and productivity; and their clients include the **majority of leading brands in retail**, manufacturing and other industries.

With a **presence in every major country** around the world, Bureau Veritas quality assurance and compliance solutions are vital in helping their customers enhance product quality and concept-to-consumer journeys.

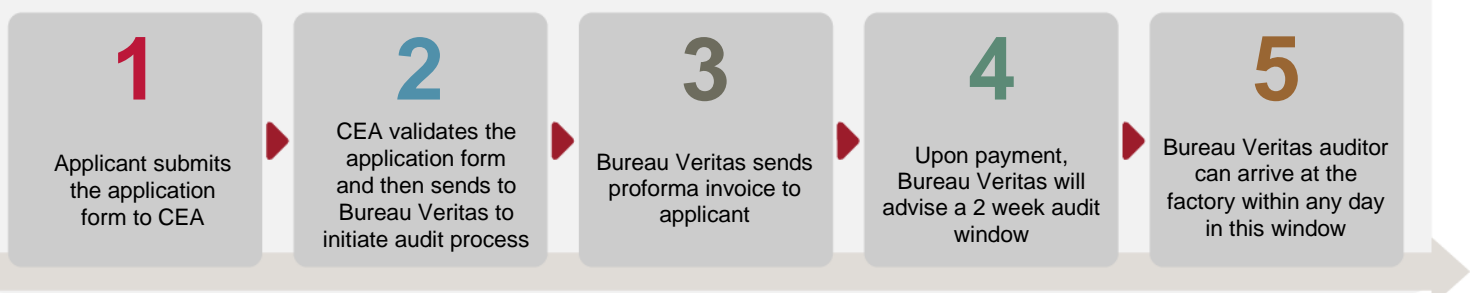
The implemented audit program investigates the traceability of the Egyptian cotton across the entire production supply chain process. The protocol is based on both Fiber Traceability Assessment and the requirements relating to raw cotton trading.

Overall, the alliance adds global leadership in testing, inspection and certification (TIC) services. It also brings a fully managed solution to Bureau Veritas exclusive DNA testing methodology accredited by the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC).

So kindly be informed that starting from the 1st August, 2017, the auditing process shall be conducted by Bureau Veritas who will send you a separate invoice for the program cost.







You are kindly requested to fully cooperate with Bureau Veritas to facilitate their mission and to prepare for the audit:

Audit Scheduling Process



Audit Scope

The audit intends to perform a thorough check on effectiveness of the factory traceability system and related procedures, records and practices. The audit scope includes:

	Management System	Availability and awareness of a formal company manual containing all procedures needed for a sturdy traceability system, an efficient product recall and customer focus.
	Purchase	Process of placing orders and ensuring that incoming materials meet the requirements.
	Product Identification & Traceability	Effective implementation of the traceability system.
	Product Control	Measures taken to control non-conforming materials, prevent cross-contamination and to ensure only goods that meet order requirements are shipped out.
	Product Certification & Claims	If products carry any certification logo OR manufacturer makes any quality or performance claims for their product (e.g. 100% Egyptian cotton / waterproof fabric / etc.) then it is backed up by objective evidences to confirm compliance to the certification or the claim.
	Sample Collection	Shipment of production sample to lab in Egypt for DNA testing.

CAP Follow-up

After release of audit report below CAP follow-up services will be initiated by Bureau Veritas:

1. CAP Desktop Review - Factory fills corrective and preventive actions in the CAP and submits to Bureau Veritas for review. Bureau Veritas and factory then arrive at a mutually agreed CAP.
2. CAPA Validation and Closure - Bureau Veritas reviews completion of corrective action. This can be done in 2 ways depending on the overall score and the type of non-conformities:
 - Off-site validation – Bureau Veritas reviews evidences submitted by factory over email.
 - On-site validation – Bureau Veritas auditor visits your factory for an follow-up audit.

Unannounced Surveillance	Retail Surveillance
In addition to above audit services, every year, Bureau Veritas will also perform 1 or more unannounced surveillance service in every approved facility. Scope of this service includes traceability check of a randomly selected Egyptian cotton order processed in the facility.	At regular intervals, Bureau Veritas will purchase products with 'Egyptian cotton trademark logo' from retail stores across the globe and perform DNA testing on them to verify the 100% Egyptian cotton claim.

Please do not hesitate to contact us for any clarifications or questions regarding this matter.

Finally, Cotton Egypt Association will spare no efforts, cooperating with all parties concerned throughout the value chain in the public and private sector so as to satisfy the needs of the traders and consumers of the Egyptian cotton products globally.



Announcement

Bureau Veritas Exhibiting at Automotive Testing Expo 2017

October 24 - 26 | Novi, MI, USA | Booth #4032

New York, USA, September, 2017 – Bureau Veritas, the leader in delivering testing, inspection, advisory and homologation services to the automotive industry, will be exhibiting at the Automotive Testing Expo tradeshow being held at the Suburban Collection Showplace, Novi, Michigan between October 24 – 26.

The Automotive Testing Expo is the world's leading trade fair for automotive testing, evaluation and quality engineering. The event will consist of a conference program featuring high level presentations from respected industry specialists on topics and issues that challenge the automotive industry. The exhibition will showcase the latest technologies and services that are designed to ensure that the highest standards are met in terms of product quality, reliability, durability and safety.

Representatives from Bureau Veritas' six automotive testing labs in the Americas will be on hand at **Booth #4032** to provide information covering EMC Testing, Certification, Environmental Testing, Material Testing, Performance Testing, and Chemical / Analytical Testing.

In addition, Dmitri Khijniak, Business Development Manager of Technology & Services Development for 7layers, a Bureau Veritas Company, will present during the Automotive Testing Expo's Open Technology Forum Programme. Dmitri will speak on "V2X Certification – What it is and how to pursue it" on October 24.

Mark your calendar to come and see us in the show. We are looking forward to seeing you soon.

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More Information

- About Automotive Testing Expo 2017: <http://www.testing-expo.com/usa/en/index.php>
- Free Attendee Registration:: <http://www.testing-expo.com/usa/en/register.php>

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Website: www.bureauveritas.com/cps



Announcement

Curtis-Straus Receives Expanded Certification Accreditation Scope from ANSI

New York, USA, September 15, 2017 – Curtis-Straus LLC, a Bureau Veritas Company, is pleased to announce that its EPA ENERGY STAR® Conditions and Criteria for Recognition of Certification Bodies for the ENERGY STAR® Program and VOC Certification Program, True AIR, were certified by ANSI.

Curtis-Straus is now recognized to certify the following product categories for the ENERGY STAR Program:

<p>Appliances (Granted 2014-12-9)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clothes Washers• Dishwashers• Refrigerators & Freezers <p>Commercial Food Service Equipment (Granted 2014-12-9)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commercial Fryers <p>Electronics and Office Equipment (Granted 2014-12-9)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Audio/Visual• Professional Displays• Set-top Boxes & Cable Boxes• Telephones• Televisions• Computers• Enterprise Servers• Imaging Equipment• Uninterruptible Power Supplies <p>Lighting and Fans (Granted 2014-12-9)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ceiling Fans• Decorative Light Strings• Lamps• Light Fixtures (Luminaires)	<p>Others (Granted 2014-12-9)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vending Machines• Water Coolers <p>Heating and Cooling (Granted 2014-12-9)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Heat Pumps, Air Source• Heat Pumps, Geothermal• Air Conditioner, Central• Air Conditioner, Room• Room Air Cleaners and Purifiers• Dehumidifiers <p>Office and Electronic Equipment (Granted 2016-11-17)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Large Network Equipment• Small Network Equipment <p>Heating and Cooling (Granted 2017-06-30)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Connected Thermostats <p>Other (Granted 2017-06-30)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment
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Additionally, Curtis-Straus is now recognized to test to the following standards for the True AIR VOC Certification Program.

Test Method (Granted 2017-2-10)

- ANSI/BIFMA e3-2012 Furniture Sustainability Standard
- ANSI/BIFMA e3-2014 Furniture Sustainability Standard
- CDPH/EHLB Standard Method for the Testing and Evaluation of Volatile Organic Chemical Emissions from Indoor Sources Using Environmental Chambers v 1.1-2010



- ANSI/BIFMA M7.1-2011, Standard Test Method for Determining VOC Emissions from Office Furniture Systems, Components and Seating
- ANSI/BIFMA X7.1-2011 Standard for Formaldehyde and TVOC Emissions of Low Emitting Office Furniture and Seating

ENERGY STAR® is a joint program established by the EPA and the U.S. Department of Energy aiming to protect the environment through energy efficient products and practices.

Bureau Veritas supports **ENERGY STAR** certification and provides testing services for a full range of electrical products; including household appliances, lighting, home electronics and information technology goods through our global network of facilities in Asia and the Americas. Among these programs are: audio/video equipment, clothes washers, compact fluorescent lamps, room air conditioners, set-top boxes and cable boxes, telephony and televisions.

Bureau Veritas' **True AIR VOC Certification Program** is an innovative certification program that verifies office furniture, home furniture and construction materials meet rigorous standards for low VOC emissions. The program screens raw materials, monitors supply chains and thoroughly tests finished materials. It allows architects, suppliers and consumers to select furniture, furnishings and construction materials that have been stringently testing and proved to meet strict VOC standards that directly contributes to a healthier indoor environment inside buildings, workspaces and homes. For more information, visit www.bureauveritas.com/trueair

For more information on Curtis-Straus, visit: www.bureauveritas.com/curtis-straus

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Announcement

Curtis-Straus Announces EPA Recognition To Test Lamps and Luminaries

New York, USA, September 15, 2017 – Curtis-Straus LLC, a Bureau Veritas Company, is pleased to announce that its EPA ENERGY STAR® Conditions and Criteria for Recognition of LED Lighting Facts lab for the ENERGY STAR® Program was certified by A2LA.

Curtis-Straus is now recognized to test the following product categories for the ENERGY STAR Program:

- Audio/Video Equipment
- Computers
- Telephony
- Water Coolers
- Uninterruptible Power Supplies
- Luminaires: Fluorescent (Directional)
- Luminaires: Solid State (Directional)
- Luminaires: Fluorescent (Non-Directional)
- Luminaires: Solid State (Non-Directional)
- Luminaires: Fluorescent Lamps
- Luminaires: Fluorescent Ballasts
- Lamps: Compact Fluorescent (Directional)
- Lamps: Solid State LED Lamps (Directional)
- Lamps: Compact Fluorescent (Omnidirectional and Decorative)
- Lamps: Solid State LED Lamps (Omnidirectional and Decorative)
- LED package, module or array (IES LM-80-2008)

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For more information on Curtis-Straus, visit: www.bureauveritas.com/curtis-straus

Additional Resources

- DesignLights Consortium® (DLC): <https://www.designlights.org/>
- LED Lighting Facts Approved Labs List: <http://www.lightingfacts.com/ApprovedLabs>
- EPA Recognized Certification Bodies (CBs) and Laboratories:
https://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?fuseaction=recognized_bodies_list.show_RCB_search_results

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Announcement



Bureau Veritas recognized as Good Employer in Hong Kong

~ Receives 3 Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) Awards ~

Hong Kong – 19 October, 2017 - Bureau Veritas Consumer Products Services is pleased to announce that Bureau Veritas Hong Kong Limited has once again received the **Good MPF Employer Award** as well as two new awards: the **E-Contribution Award** and the **Support for MPF Management Award**. The awards were issued by the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority (MPFA) and cover the Year 2016 - 2017.

Doreen Chiu, VP, Global Human Resources at Bureau Veritas Consumer Products Services commented, “We are honored to receive these three awards from the MPFA. Being the 2nd year of receiving this Good MPF Employer Award recognizes our people focus to enhance the retirement benefits of our employees. We additionally provided further support to our employees by conducting a series of MPF Talks in March and May to disseminate the latest information of the Default Investment Strategy and other MPF updates.”

Doreen continued, “Mandatory Provident Fund aims to provide better retirement protection for employees while cultivating employers’ responsibility under the law. As an established employer in Hong Kong, these awards are recognitions of our dedication and commitment to corporate social responsibility and demonstrate our strong focus on friendly-working culture and environment that we place globally on our workforce.”

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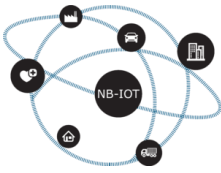
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Announcement



Bureau Veritas' 7layers introduces new NB-IoT USIM Test Bench according to GCF WI#266

2 August, 2017 – 7layers, a Bureau Veritas Group Company, has introduced a new test bench for the NB-IoT USIM, to validate conformity with 3GPP standards of IoT and/or M2M devices equipped with NB-IoT modules.

The Narrowband-Internet of Things (NB-IoT), also called LTE Cat NB1, has been optimized for machine type communication, operating in licensed spectrum. Due to its low power consumption and narrowband wide area radio characteristics, NB-IoT allows for a large range of devices and services for Internet of Things (IoT) applications to be connected in a cost-efficient and secure way.

Due to the security and service related core functions of a UICC, included in mobile terminals, new USIM and USAT conformance tests for NB-IoT terminals are now part of the test specification 3GPP TS 31.121 Rel-13 and TS 31.124 Rel-13. Based on this new standard, Mobile Network Operators can ensure the authentication of the terminals that are accessing their networks and services. UICC cards can also support additional security capabilities and toolkits which can be used by IoT services providers to enhance the security and services of their IoT solutions.

In order to cover the growing market requirements for secure, low power, wide area technology, the Global Certification Forum (GCF) has introduced a new work item - WI#266 – for the qualification of NB-IoT terminals in conjunction with their USIM and USAT features.

The new 7layers' NB-IoT USIM Test Bench, in cooperation with one of the Asia' leading chipset manufacturers, can run on 7layers' InterLab Test Solution DEVICE/UICC, and in combination with the R&S CMW500 network simulator, is now commercially available.

For more information, visit www.7layers.com or email to info@7layers.com



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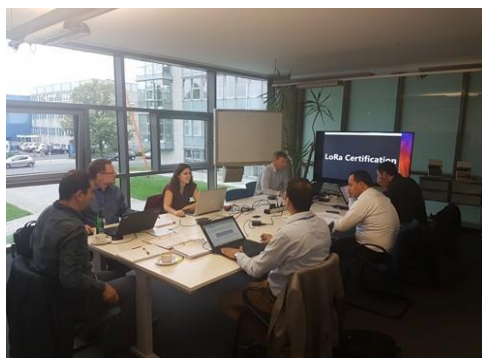
Bureau Veritas hosted the 1st LoRaWAN 1.1 Certification Workshop in Germany

18 September, 2017 – Bureau Veritas' 7layers hosted the first LoRaWAN 1.1 Certification workshop during 7- 8 September, 2017 in Ratingen, Germany. Chaired by Derek Hunt from the LoRa Alliance Certification Committee, the 2-day face-to-face meeting was attended by major contributors on current and future test specifications. The meeting was intended to prepare the next generation of test specifications for devices that also can support new LoRaWAN 1.1 features such as roaming.



“It is an important step to prepare the next generation of test specifications for devices now to be able to support new LoRaWAN 1.1 features such as roaming”, said Thomas Jaeger responsible for Business Development and Innovations at 7layers. “We are proud to be part of the these developments that will lead to new service applications”.

7layers is a CONTRIBUTOR member of the LoRa Alliance, and is authorized to provide LoRa Alliance Certification Services.



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Bureau Veritas opens a new Footwear laboratory in Putian, China

~ Local testing services for safety footwear ~

8 November, 2017 - Bureau Veritas Consumer Products Services has announced the opening of a new footwear laboratory in Putian, Fujian Province, China. The new lab expands their footwear testing portfolio in the southern mainland while meeting the growing demand of local safety footwear testing for exports and domestic consumption.

Accredited by China National Accreditation Service (CNAS) and China Metrology Accreditation (CMA), the new footwear laboratory provides both physical and analytical testing services for safety footwear in accordance with the China GB, USA, Europe, Canada, and Australia standards. Standards covered:

Market	Test Code	Standard
USA	ASTM F2412	Standard Test Method for Foot Protection
USA	ASTM F2413	Standard Specification for Performance Requirements for Protective/Safety Footwear
Canada	CAS/CSA Z195	Protective Footwear
EU	EN ISO 20344	Personal protective equipment — Test methods for footwear
EU	EN ISO 20345	Personal protective equipment — Safety footwear
EU	EN ISO 20346	Personal protective equipment — Protective footwear
EU	EN ISO 20347	Personal protective equipment — Occupational footwear
EU	EN 61340	Electrostatic test method — Footwear
Australia	AS/NZS 2210	Occupational protective footwear
China	GB/T 20991	Personal protective equipment — Test methods for footwear
China	GB/T 21146	Personal protective equipment — Safety footwear
China	GB/T 21147	Personal protective equipment — Protective footwear
China	GB/T 21148	Personal protective equipment — Occupational footwear

Joeie Tsang, General Manager of Bureau Veritas CPS Guangzhou, Putian, and Quanzhou commented, “Our local technical team provides on-site technical support and advisory services to manufacturers, combined with the local testing, which can greatly save time and cost for clients. Coupled with our comprehensive footwear testing network



in Guangzhou, Wenzhou, Quanzhou, Hong Kong, and Taiwan, we can provide an even faster and convenient total testing solution to clients in this growing market.”

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Analytical Lab



Physical Lab



Footwear Lab – GB Standard



Safety Footwear Lab

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Announcement

Bureau Veritas' 7layers in Japan is now a Registered Approval Body for Telecommunication Business Law

December 19, 2017 – 7layers in Japan, together with Bureau Veritas Japan Co., Ltd., have become a “Registered Approval Body” under the Japanese Telecommunication Business Law by the Minister of Internal Affairs and Communications (MIC).

The Japanese certification processes for devices with integrated wireless connectivity differ fundamentally from those in Europe and North America. Depending on the integrated technologies and the type of equipment, certification has to be in accordance to the Radio law AND the Business law or just one of them.

Since many of the technical specifications required in Japan are only available in the Japanese language, it is vital to have a Japanese partner like Bureau Veritas and 7layers to efficiently conduct the complex submission and certification processes required for Japanese market access for any wireless enhanced devices.

The 7layers group has run accredited test laboratories for wireless connected end-products and modules for many years and has expertise in providing international market access around the world.

This new Registered Approval Body for “Japanese Telecommunication Business Law” is the latest addition to our existing registration for the “Japanese Radio Law”. As a trusted partner for companies that are bringing radio devices and smart IoT products into lucrative Japanese market, we can guide you through the complex procedure and gain fast market access.

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Announcement

Bureau Veritas' 7layers is authorized to provide LoRa Alliance Asia End Device Certification

Ratingen, Germany, November 2017 – Following the LoRa authorizations as one of the first 3rd party independent test laboratories for Europe, USA and Canada since 2016, Bureau Veritas' 7layers has now been authorized for the LoRa Alliance Asia AS923MHz Region End Device Certification.

Since 2015, 7layers has been deeply engaged in the development of new LPWAN device assessment methods, including this latest achievement, valid for various Asian countries. The LoRa Authorization for the Asian market was granted to 7layers by the LoRa Alliance after a successful technical audit.



The new LoRa AS923 requirements are valid for products operating between 915 and 928 MHz. There are several Asian countries where ISM band spectrum is still available in between these frequencies. As a result, LoRa technology is being used more and more in Asia.

“We are proud to be one the first authorized LoRa Alliance consulting, test and certification services providers to offer LoRa certification for the Asian market”, says Thomas Jaeger, responsible for Business Development and Innovations at 7layers. “Currently device makers and IoT service providers are preparing for various markets around the world. 7layers is able to support a global approach by covering the American, European and Asian market requirements – now also for the LoRa technology.”

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