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To AIRBUS Independent Laboratories

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AIRBUS MERIT Program

Dear Sir, Dear Madam,

Our AIRBUS supply chain is facing huge challenges and, in consequence, is becoming more and more demanding.

Our suppliers need to be supported by laboratories of excellence, from a technical, industrial and proactive point of view.

Since last July 2019, we are pleased to inform you that we have launched our **AIRBUS MERIT Program** for independent laboratories.

This AIRBUS MERIT program aims to highlight our "best performer laboratories" in the AIRBUS official register Qualified Test Method List (QTML).

The QTML "green lines" will help our suppliers to select at a glance a robust and reliable laboratory for their testing needs.

Based on the last surveillance, all our independent laboratories are evaluated following those criteria:

- Acquisition or renewal of your ISO17025 and NADCAP accreditations (MERIT with no major findings)
- Robustness and follow-up of internal homogeneity tests
- Participation in the PTP scheme and timely monitoring of RCAs
- Proactivity of the laboratory and on-time responsiveness to AIRBUS requests
- Communication with Airbus on significant laboratory changes and performances
- Our supply chain feedback and satisfaction on your performance activities

You may be eligible for the AIRBUS MERIT from your first surveillance onwards.

Please note that the AIRBUS MERIT will be taken into account for possible calls for tenders from AIRBUS sourcing, as well as for the continuity of the partnership with AIRBUS.

Thank you for your involvement and support,

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