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1 SCOPE AND LIMITATIONS

1.1 Scope

This Recommended Practice (RP) applies to substrates and forms used in cleanrooms for the purpose of documentation. Specifically included are: copy paper, writing paper, labels, tags, self-adhesive notes, perforated and punched forms, envelopes, bound materials, and all printed versions thereof. This RP provides appropriate methods for assessing the cleanliness of these items insofar as their suitability for use in cleanrooms is concerned.

1.2 Limitations

Contamination resulting from the use of items such as pens and clipboards, as well as contamination from printers and copiers, is beyond the scope of this document except where their use in conjunction with the items listed under Scope may increase the generation of particles from those items. Users are referred to Recommended Practice IEST-RP-CC015 (Cleanroom Production and Support Equipment) for that information as well as for proper procedures for handling such items and equipment.

This Recommended Practice does not, nor should it, categorize substrates according to their suitability for use in particular applications. Rather, it offers rational and germane tests for those characteristics of substrates and forms that are generally acknowledged to be important. The results from these tests permit quantitative assessment of the merits of various documentation materials according to the combination of properties important

to the individual user.

2 REFERENCES

The following list of publications refers to the most recent editions in print.

2.1 American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)

ASTM-D39: Trapezoidal Tear Test

ASTM-D1193: Standard Specification for Reagent Water

ASTM-D1894: Standard Test Method for Static and Kinetic Coefficients of Friction of Plastic Film and Sheet

ASTM-F311: Standard Practice for Processing Aerospace Liquid Samples for Particulate Contamination Analysis Using Membrane Filters

ASTM-F312: Standard Methods for Microscopical Sizing and Counting Particles from Aerospace Fluids on Membrane Filters

2.2 General Services Administration (Federal Standards)

FED-STD-209E: Airborne Particulate Cleanliness Classes in Cleanrooms and Clean Zones

2.3 Institute of Environmental Sciences and Technology (IEST)

IEST-RP-CC002: Laminar Flow Clean-Air Devices

IEST-RP-CC015: Cleanroom Production and Support Equipment