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Center for Quality Assurance Administers New NLGI Grease Program

Midland, Michigan. The Center for Quality Assurance (CQA) has been selected as the licensing and quality control administrator for NLGI's new High-Performance Multiuse (HPM) Grease Certification Program. NLGI's HPM certification program responds to marketplace advancements in materials, technologies, and applications over the last three decades.

While grease users and consumers are familiar with the internationally recognized GC-LB Performance Classification which was first published in 1989 for chassis and wheel bearing applications, the HPM specification and certification program provides equipment owners and grease users with a means to easily identify greases that meet a higher performance level than a general multipurpose grease.

The [High-Performance Multiuse \(HPM\) Grease Certification Program](#) is designed for greases used in various lubricating applications. The [HPM Core specification](#) offers additional performance through sub-categories such as improved water resistance (+WR) and/or corrosion resistance (+CR), improved high load carrying (+HL) or enhanced low temperature performance (+LT). Although not suitable for all applications, NLGI's HPM grease specification is designed to ensure a high level of performance for many different applications (multiuse), such as the following:

- Conveyor Bearings
- Hinges
- Electric Motor Bearings
- Ball Screws
- Pillow Block Fan Bearings
- Rollers
- Thrust Bearings
- Rolling Element Bearings
- Industrial Gearbox Bearings
- Presses
- Pump Bearings
- Plain Bearings
- Winches
- Bushings
- Linear Bearings

CQA will administer the rigorous validation process prior to issuing the HPM grease certification to a product, and CQA will also publish branded grease products certified by the program to assist grease users and specifiers when selecting a high-performance multiuse grease. Certified greases will also be audited to ensure that the products continue to comply with the program.

"The HPM Grease Certification Program ensures that certified greases meet or exceed the High-Performance Multiuse grease specification requirements," said Mike Kunselman, CQA's program manager. "We are proud to bring CQA's expertise to the grease industry through this collaboration with NLGI to assist grease users and grease specifiers select a high-performance multiuse grease."

For more information about this new HPM grease specification and certification program, contact Grease@CenterForQA.com or visit the HPM website at <https://www.centerforqa.com/hpm-about/>.

About CQA: The Center for Quality Assurance (CQA) has over 25 years of experience working with industry partners to advance technology through the design, development and administration of specification programs. Our vision is to be the global leader in providing knowledgeable and innovative programs and solutions that will enhance the quality and application of our client's products and create better experiences for consumers and users. Learn more at www.CenterForQA.com

About NLGI: As a nonprofit trade association founded in 1933 by pioneers of the lubricating grease industry, the National Lubricating Grease Institute (NLGI) was established with the goal of providing education, scientific and technical information, expert advice, profitable partnerships and a global forum for ideas and innovation. The mission of the organization is "to provide resources relevant to the needs of the global grease community." Learn more at www.NLGI.org.