SECTION 01400

QUALITY CONTROL SERVICES

1. GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

A. Quality control services include inspections and tests performed by independent agencies and governing authorities, as well as by the Contractor.

B. Inspection and testing services are intended to determine compliance of the work with requirements specified.

C. Specific quality control requirements are specified in individual specification sections.

1.2 RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Except where indicated as being the Owner's responsibility, quality control services are the Contractor's responsibility, including those specified to be performed by an independent agency and not by the Contractor.

B. The Contractor shall employ and pay an independent agency, testing laboratory or other qualified firm to perform quality control services specified.

C. The Owner will engage and pay for services of an independent agency to perform the inspections and tests that are specified as Owner's responsibilities. These include steel connections, concrete compaction and spray fire proofing and special inspections.

D. Where results of inspections or tests do not indicate compliance with contract document, retests are the Contractor's responsibility.

E. The Contractor shall cooperate with independent agencies performing inspections or tests. Provide auxiliary services as are reasonable. Auxiliary services include:

1. Provide access to the work.

2. Assist taking samples.

3. Deliver samples to test laboratory.

1.3 COORDINATION

A. The Contractor and independent test agencies shall coordinate the sequence of their activities. Avoid removing and replacing work to accommodate inspections and tests. The Contractor is responsible for scheduling times for inspections and tests.

1.4 QUALIFICATIONS FOR SERVICE AGENCIES

A. Engage inspection and test service agencies which are prequalified as complying with "Recommended Requirements for Independent Laboratory Qualification" by the American Council of Independent Laboratories.

B. Each agency shall be employed with the approval of the Architect/Engineer.

1.5 SUBMITTALS

A. Notify the Architect/Engineer of the testing schedule.

B. Submit a certified written report of each inspection test or similar service, in duplicate to the Architect/Engineer. Submit additional copies of each report to governing authority, when the authority so directs.

1.6 REPORT DATA

A. Written inspection or test reports shall include:

1. Name of testing agency or test laboratory.

2. Dates and locations of samples, tests or inspections.

3. Names of individuals present.

4. Complete inspection or test data.

5. Test results.

6. Interpretations.

7. Recommendations.

B. Reports shall be provided to the Architect/Engineer in a timely manner.

1.7 REPAIR AND PROTECTION

A. Upon completion of inspection or testing repair damaged work and restore substrates and finishes. Comply with requirements for "Cutting and Patching".

END OF SECTION