



Description:

We are planning to generally change from tin plated to zinc plated sheet metal used for filter housing (mainly 3 phase filters).

New proposed material: DC01+ZE 25/25

The new material has equal or better properties in terms of:

- Magnetic shielding
- Mechanical strength
- Process ability
- Reliability
- Corrosion

Visual difference:

The new material is not shiny like the tin plated metal sheet.

Tin plated (old):

Zinc plated (new):



Main difference: the new material can't be soldered.

Release date of introduction:

New products are already being developed and manufactured with the new material for a while with no issues on the customer side.

Our proposed course of action:

Step 1: New FS filter development is using zinc plated material.

Step 2: Existing FS filters will now be changed to zinc plated material step by step.

Step 3: Existing standard filters will be also changed to zinc plate material step by step.

Impact for the customer:

No impact for the customer besides the different visual appearance.

Quality assurance measures:

Consequent application of ISO9001:2000 and exceeding Schaffner standards for outstanding quality in all affected design centers and manufacturing locations.

Customer feedback:

Please check if you have FS-filter customers who may not approve this change. If we do not receive negative feedback until June 26, 2009 we will move forward without any restrictions.

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