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1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this procedure is to define the methods for managing changes to processes and other aspects of the management system in a controlled manner.

2.0 SCOPE

- 2.1 Where this document discusses changes to processes, this shall be understood to mean the top-level processes identified in the NEUST
- 2.2 Quality Management Representative is responsible for implementation and management of this procedure.

3.0 REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

3.1 ISO 9001:2015 QMS

4.0 **DEFINITION OF TERMS**

4.1 Process Output – the result of any process; these are typically defined for each top-level process.

5.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

5.1 The QMR is responsible for implementation and management of this procedure.

6.0 PROCEDURES

6.1 **Change to Processes**

- 6.1.1 Management system processes will undergo changes, typically when:
 - 6.1.1.1 Improvement opportunities have been identified, typically to improve process effectiveness
 - 6.1.1.2 Nonconformities within a process are identified and require corrective action
 - 6.1.1.3 Conditions in the industry or company change, requiring a process to be updated
 - 6.1.1.4 New processes are added which impact on existing processes, requiring changes
 - 6.1.1.5 Client requirements result in a need to change processes
 - 6.1.1.6 Any other reason determined by management
- 6.1.2 In such cases, the process must be changed in a controlled manner to ensure proper authorization and implementation of the changes.
- 6.1.3 At a minimum, process changes shall include the steps herein:
 - 6.1.3.1 The request for a process change shall be documented, typically in a CAR Form Name per the procedure Corrective Action Procedure. The justification for the change shall be recorded.



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- 6.1.3.2 The change shall be reviewed by appropriate management, including the office responsible for the process. Changes must be approved prior to implementation.
- 6.1.3.3 The appropriate Change Management Procedure will be updated to reflect the change. This document will undergo review and approval per the procedure *Control of Documents Procedure*. The revision indicator of the Change Management Procedure will be incremented, and the nature of the change recorded.
- 6.1.3.4 The follow-up verification step of the CAR process shall seek to ensure the change has had the intended effect, and/or has improved the process. If not, the change may be rolled back or a new change made to correct any new issues that arise as a result of the change.

6.2 CHANGES TO PROCESS OUTPUTS

- 6.2.1 The methods for changing process outputs are typically defined in the Change Management Procedure. Where a process output is a document, the rules for changing documents above shall apply.
- 6.2.2 Formal changes to process outputs will be used when the change is significant. Minor changes may be made without formal control, however the decision on what constitutes a significant vs minor change must be agreed upon by those involved in the change. If a client indicates a change is significant, this will trump any internal decision.

6.3 CHANGES TO DOCUMENTATION

- 6.3.1 Management system documents undergo changes when there is a need to revise them.
- 6.3.2 Changes to documentation are done in accordance with the procedure Control of Documented Information Procedure.

6.4 CHANGES TO ORDERS OR CONTRACTS

- 6.4.1 Changes to active orders or contracts may occur when the client changes the requirements after the work has begun, or may be initiated by NEUST when unforeseen circumstances are encountered.
- 6.4.2 When changes are initiated by the client, the new requirements will undergo the same review and acceptance per the procedure _____. If the changes cannot be accepted by the second party, a satisfactory solution will be negotiated with the client.
- 6.4.3 When changes are initiated by second party will notify the client and negotiate a resolution.



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7.0 **RECORDS**

7.1 Corrective Action Report