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NEW AMENDMENT FOR FF-L-2740B

Federal Specification FF-L-2740B, Amendment 2 was released on August 21, 2018. It is 5 pages long where Amendment 1 was only 2 pages. In comparing the old amendment with the new one, a significant part of the added length can be attributed to inserting a paragraph and causing several of the following paragraphs to "shift" with new numbers. In addition the amendment adds a few paragraphs that greatly expands the software security section.

The changes and additions are as follows:

In FF-L-2740B, paragraph 3.5 is simply titled "Design" with no further wording. It is really the header for what you might think of as section 3.5 and the paragraphs and sub-paragraphs that follow being the contents of this section. Anyway, Amendment 2 now inserts a new paragraph 3.5.1 Unspecified design features. There already was a paragraph 3.5.1, so now the old 3.5.1 and the following 18 paragraphs and sub-paragraphs have been renumbered and included in this amendment.

The next item says to make a change to paragraph 3.5.6. (This was also in Amendment 1)

Well . . . they're referring to the old paragraph 3.5.6 which is now paragraph 3.5.7. They could of just made the change to the wording, but I guess it was overlooked. So to have it all make sense, just go up to the new 3.5.7 and change "application of a torque of 50 inch-ounces (0.353 N-m)" to instead read "application of a torque of 50 inch-pounds (67.8 N-m)" and be done with it.

Next, paragraph 3.7.5 Software security is replaced. But it is another of what I call a section header. The several paragraphs after it are really the new additions. They greatly expand the description of the software (or firmware) security.

Then paragraph 5.3.1 Security label. has changed. This is the big sticker on the box that up until now has said:

IMPORTANT

TO BE OPENED BY DESIGNATED

USER SECURITY PERSONNEL ONLY

Take a look as the new amendment to see what is will say next.

NEW QUALIFIED PRODUCTS LIST (QPL) FOR AA-F-358

QPL AA-F-358-17 was released August 24, 2018. The only change between it and QPL AA-F-358-16 is the addition of Will-Burt's new class 6-S containers.

Regards,

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