



**SMITHERS**  
QUALITY ASSESSMENTS

## CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

This is to Certify that the Quality Management System of:

**THK Rhythm North America Company, LTD**  
549 Vista Drive  
Sparta, TN 38583

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has been assessed and approved by Smithers Quality Assessments, Inc., to  
the following quality management system standards and requirements:

### **ISO/TS 16949:2009 with Product Design**

The Quality Management System is Applicable to:

The design and manufacture of suspension and steering components.

Approval

Certificate Number: 04.209.1

Current Certificate: May 11, 2016

IATF certificate number: 0238257

Certificate Expires: September 14, 2018



*The use of the accreditation mark indicates  
accreditation in respect of those activities  
covered by the above certificate number.*

  
on behalf of SQA - J. Michael Hochschwender, CEO

The approval is subject to the company maintaining its system to the required standards which will be monitored by  
Smithers Quality Assessments, Inc., 121 S. Main St. Suite 300, Akron, Ohio 44308, USA



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## APPENDIX A

Approval Certificate Number: 04.209.1  
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SMITHERS QUALITY ASSESSMENTS, INC.

### Site:

THK Rhythm North America Company, Ltd  
549 Vista Drive  
Sparta, TN 38583  
Scope of services provided by this location: Manufacturing

### Supporting Locations:

THK Rhythm North America Company, Ltd  
41800 West Eleven Mile Road, Suite 105  
Novi, MI 48375  
Scope of services provided by this supporting location: Sales and customer service

THK Rhythm Corporation  
283-3 Gokyu-Cho  
Hamamatsu, Shizuoka, Japan 4300831  
Scope of services provided by this supporting location: Product design

THK Rhythm North America Company, Ltd  
650 North Spring Street  
Sparta, TN 38583  
Scope of services provided by this supporting location: Warehousing

Applicable Standard: ISO/TS 16949:2009 with Product Design

*This appendix applies only to those sites listed above. As other sites are assessed and approved, or as sites already approved are removed from active services, this appendix will be amended to show the current status. Sites not listed on this appendix shall not be viewed as approved.*

