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- To identify products that satisfy the test criteria established by PI and for which PI is issuing product certificates.
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- The applicant has the right to use the associated Technology Trademarks.
- The applicant possesses a valid certificate from PI for the product.

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