

PAC NOTIFICATION

Procedure Note No: N97-02 Date: June 10, 1997

Temporary _____ Effective Date: 6-11-97 Termination Date: _____
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Type: Product _____ Process _____ Packaging _____ Flavor _____
Tobacco X Material _____ Other _____

SUBJECT: SIEVE PANS

OBJECTIVE: Being use of new Sieve Pans in Product Quality Assessment

BACKGROUND: The sieve pans currently in use in the PQA Lab are approximately 10 to 12 years old. Five sets of new sieve pans have been purchased from W.S. Tyler. All 5 sets were matched by W.S. Tyler at their facility using bronze powder. One set is certified as the PQA Master Standard. The Master Standard will be run against the other 4 sets using bronze powder every 6 months to check calibration. If any differences are found the pans will be returned to W.S. Tyler to be replaced or rematched.

RECOMMENDATION: Implement use of new sieve pans in the PQA Lab.

RISK ASSESSMENT: Minimal risk a slight shift in sieve data may be seen. Manufacturing Audit data will be monitored to detect any significant differences.

BENEFIT: More accurate data reporting of particle size.

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