

## QA and Validator Information for Florida Statewide Approvals (FSA's)

For Florida Approvals, the State of Florida requires you to have a third party validator as well as a third party Quality Assurance entity. Please see below for explanations and instructions for each, and please let us know if you have any questions.

1. Validator – This is a third party engineer hired by you that validates all documents that we submit to the state website to ensure compliance with applicable standards.

You may choose any state-registered engineer to perform your validation. A few options our clients have used include:

- Zachary Rubin, P.E. (His email is [zachary.adam.rubin@gmail.com](mailto:zachary.adam.rubin@gmail.com))
- John Kampmann, P.E. (His email is [jkampmann@meaengineers.com](mailto:jkampmann@meaengineers.com))
- James Moore, P.E. (His email is [jimmoore@ptc-corp.com](mailto:jimmoore@ptc-corp.com))

To search for additional validator options, visit: [https://floridabuilding.org/pr/pr\\_org\\_srch.aspx](https://floridabuilding.org/pr/pr_org_srch.aspx) and select “Architect or Engineer” for “Organization Type”.

To arrange services with the validator, we suggest sending an email to the validator with the products you need validated, and the deadline in which you need the validation(s) completed (deadline per below). *Note: We can send this email to the validator of your choice and CC you if you would prefer. You would still need to arrange services with the validator separately.*

Please see the following link for the next submittal deadline. *Note: The deadline is listed next to “Deadline for Submittal / Validation”. Look for the upcoming deadline from today’s date.*  
<http://www.myfloridalicense.com/DBPR/building-codes-and-standards/product-approval-poc/>

➔ Whomever you hire, please let us know, as we need to include who the validator is as part of the FSA application.

2. Quality Assurance entity – QA entities monitor the production of the product to ensure the product meets the tested and approved specifications.

You may choose any state-registered QA entity. A few options our clients have used include:

- NAMI (National Accreditation & Management Institute). Their contact information is: [nami@namiinc.com](mailto:nami@namiinc.com) - (804) 684-5124 - <https://www.namicertification.com/>
- Intertek Testing Services. Their contact information is: <https://www.intertek.com/contact> - 1 (800) 967-5352 - <https://www.intertek.com/>
- UL (Underwriters Laboratories). Their contact information is: [cec@ul.com](mailto:cec@ul.com) - 1 (877) 854-3577 - <https://www.ul.com/>

To search for additional QA entity options, visit: [https://floridabuilding.org/pr/pr\\_org\\_srch.aspx](https://floridabuilding.org/pr/pr_org_srch.aspx) and select “Product Quality Assurance Entity” for “Organization Type”.

To arrange services with the QA entity, we suggest contacting the QA entity and explaining your need for a quality assurance program for the listed products in order to satisfy the State of Florida's Product Approval requirements. *Note: for mechanical equipment, the QA is required only for the tie-down system, not the entire unit itself.*

➔ For whichever QA entity you select, please provide: (see next page)

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→ For whichever QA entity you select, please provide:

- A letter or certificate from the QA entity describing your products' participation in their QA program. (See sample certificate below).
- The expiration / termination date of said QA program participation. (We must report this information to the State as part of the FSA application).

For further explanation on QA and Validator requirements, please see our Knowledge Base article here:  
<https://www.engineeringexpress.com/wiki/florida-statewide-approvals-fsa-quality-assurance-and-validator-requirements/>


## **CERTIFICATION OF PARTICIPATION**

**National Accreditation and Management Institute, Inc.**  
confirms that:

Participates within a Quality Assurance Program  
that complies with ISO/IEC 17020 and Guide 53

Incorporated's  
Quality Assurance ID #

Quality Assurance Program for products  
manufactured or assembled at referenced location.

  
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Thomas D. Wix, Quality Assurance Manager

Certificate Valid From 2/5/2016 to 12/31/2016

The NAMI Program is recognized as an approved quality assurance entity  
within the State of Florida # QUA1789.

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