What's App at CEA for Batteries Taking the Corner of Space Industrial (and More Electric Aircraft) Revolution

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CEA = French Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission

CEA GLOBAL ORGANIZATION





CEA global figures Human ressources 16,000 10 Research centers Budget: 4,3 billion € Scientific publications: 4,735 5,200 Patent families in portfolio (2012) 754 Priority patents delivered 100 Innovative high-tech start-ups since 2000 54 Joint research units

Mission DAM : France's national security independence Mission DEN : France's energy independence Mission DRT : French business' economic competitiveness



FROM RESEARCH TO INDUSTRY : MIND THE GAP !



THE NEW SPACE



- Context :
- Satellites, Launchers, Exploration use batteries (accumulators & piles)



- Economic Stakes:
- Launched costs 19000\$/kg (Ariane5 GTO)
 - Extended missions, more energy needs

- Industrial Space Revolution :
 - Worldwide affordable (lower costs) high-speed Internet
- Satellites Constellations



COTS 18650 LI-IONS FOR SPACE MISSIONS ?

July 2014 : ESA looking for ExoMars Rover battery



July 2016 : Project Start Feb. 2017 : CEA Iso 8 Battery Assy Line Inauguration

Dec. 2017 : QM June 2018 : MRR Dec. 2018 : PFM ready Q1 2019 : Launch





CEA proposed a battery system built from terrestrial COTS 18650 cells qualified to operate under space environment wo cell manufacturer design modification and with no cells sorting/sparing





BATTERY ASSEMBLY FOR NEW SPACE

Goal:

The objective is to develop a battery for constellation satellites (LEO)

-Customer is Design authority

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- -CEA is Design to industrialization authority
- -Process developments and qualification
- -Follows preventive approach using Lean 6σ manufacturing method

-Quality ISO10005-EN9100 management, problem solving, risk management -Line installation, process flow definition, industrial plan, assembly operation -PFM manufacturing

-Industrial transfer

Design very specific :

- Baseline is the fruit of design-to-industrialization and design-to-cost engineering
 - Use of automatized processes
 - Use of low-cost approaches for mechanical HW
 - Use of COTS cells

3/1000 defect level in Operation Guideline management



KOM July 2016



DESIGN TO COST ANALYSIS

Design to cost engineering using automatized processes and working to qualify COTS within a LEAN 6σ manufacturing method

SCOPE : IMPROVE BATTERY COST AS PER S/C NEEDS																			
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Cell (procurement parts cost, incoming activity	200			400		400		250		250		80				20		10	1410
if any, cell test, sorting,)	200		40		40		40		40		10				10		20		
Mechanical parts including assembly parts (glue, tapes)	100			25				50		150		80		100		20		10	435
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Electrical parts (straps, EEE parts, connectors, wires, heaters)	150			25	50	80					30		30	50	20	20	20	10	185
Electronics card (PCB assembled), monitoring interface	250			50		2		200		100		40		50		40		10	510
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Battery manufacturing (operators actions, intermediate inspection check, manufacturing paper work)	200		20								50				80		50		
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		Total cost per function	80		110		140		80		170		110		160		170		
EXCLUDED in perimeter:																			
Paper work as the DRL																			
general quality and management																			

- Weight Battery Components Performance impact versus Cost
- i.e. COTS like 18650 commercial Li-ion cells Total Function Value per Cost is high



BENCHMARK GIGA MANUFACTURED COTS CELLS

- <u>An extensive series of tests</u>: characterization and cycling tests (representative of mission) of several cell models
- The baseline solution is to use <u>18650 Li-ion cells</u> (highest energy densities on the shelf with low dispersion)
- Allows switching the 18650 cell by a new qualified one with higher performance wo battery design major impact (within the design tolerance) : risk mitigation if procurement shortage and warranty of bests performances wo major additional costs. Delta Qualification Strategy
- Fully qualify the cell and establish LAT strategy





LONG LEAD ITEMS LIST - CLEAN ROOM FOR BATTERY ASSEMBLY

February 2017 Delivery 8 months from scratch

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- ✓ ISO8 level clean room for Space Batteries Assembly
- EN9100 level quality standard for manufacturing
- ✓ Space qualified processes
- ✓ Industrial process control by
 - CEA MES = Manufacturing Execution System
 - Bar Codes scans
 - **Cost-effective**
- For fast prototyping and industrial developments



QUALITY MANAGEMENT

• 3/1000 defect level in Operation Guideline management

Preventive Approach

 Design & Process FMEA*

Engineer expertise

Complete Process and Product Qualification

Check
Robustness

In-line Controls

- Primary parts
- Equipment
- Processes
- Products
- Operators



*Failure Mode & Effects Analysis

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A PREVENTIVE APPROACH



PROCESS FAILURE MODE & EFFECTS ANALYSIS

Risk Priority Number (RPN)

 Actions are already taken into account during Equipment Installation and Process Qualifications to reduce them



Example of PFMEA status review with RPN classification repartition and severity

- PFMEA completed for MRR
- All risks mitigated at that time



ON TIME DELIVERY (OTD) STRATEGY

- Equipment Capacity, more equipment capacity than needed
- Make batteries prior to demand, at maximum of operator capacity



- Ensures maximum OTD level during all the production period
- Key demand from the satellite manufacturer in order to respect launch schedule

DELIVERY STRATEGY

- Sample batteries to be delivered within various manufacturing batches
- To preliminary detect any failure of batches (Battery SOC check before transport)
- Variation of the FIFO (First In First Out) method : **Example**



PROJECT RISKS MANAGEMENT PROCESS



CAUSE: 7M section	Risk description	Imp	act	Probab appea	ility of rance	Total risk	Action	Person in charge*	Statu	
		High	Low	High	Low	1 to 4				
Management	Industrial Project Organization	Y			Y	3	CEA ISO 9001 management + Priority 1 CEA labeled project + Department SteerCo weekly + Liten Unit SteerCo monthly	HoP	\bigcirc	
METHOD	Quality Plan building and operating	Y			Y	3	ISO 9100 assessment, PQP (PA) writing and operation. Full Time Project Quality Manager Customer audit closure Q1 17 CEA space qualified with deviation for procurement	QM	\bigcirc	
MATERIAL	Class 100 000 room	Y		Y		4	Ready for end of 2016 Delivered January 2 2017 Inauguration February 28 2017 MES 2017	IM	\bigcirc	
MACHINES	XXX	Y		Y		3	Operating in November 2016 Full acceptance in February-March 2018	РМ	\bigcirc	
MANPOWER	Project resources	Y			Y	2	CEA internal meetings with HR	HoP / HR	\bigtriangledown	
MATERIAL	New Components Providers using terrestrial mass prod. to Space Qualify for lower battery costs : Critical path	Y			Y	4	Strong Procurement Support	ТМ	\bigtriangledown	



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*HoP = Head of Project; QM = Quality Manager; IM = Industrialization Manager; PM = Process Manager; TM = Technical Manager, HR = Human Resources

Process Qualification, Control Plan, SPC, 8D problem solving ... Industrial Plan Summary !

- 3/1000 defect level Guideline management :
 - Detailed PFMEA lead to preventive action plan in order to reduce number of non-conformance products
 - Qualification of processes and products
 - Qualification plan, fed by DFMEA & PFMEA and engineer's expertise, warranty the robustness of the product and process
 - Product Qualification qualify the Manufacturing Equipment / Process line
 - Primary parts management
 - **Design and supply of parts under Customer responsibility** with their standard quality process ensuring a very low level of defects
 - Equipment, Process and Products control
 - Problem solving based on <u>8D method</u>
 - **Control plan** is an output of the PFMEA to detect defects during manufacturing
 - Maintenance plan is an output of the PFMEA. The controls ensure no equipment failure
 - Equipment operating mode with control before new batch manufacturing to avoid process deviation
 - <u>Statistical Process Control (SPC)</u> approach on Critical Parameters, in order to anticipate any shift in the process
 - A final inspection point, done by quality engineer ensures good conformity of the products
 - Operator control
 - Training of operators reinforced during the Ramp-up phase
 - Regular line audits are included in quality plan, and ensure the conformance of operations





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BATTERY PRICE BREAKDOWN FOR COMPETITIVE PRODUCT INDUSTRIALIZATION IS DEMONSTRATED

Space **Applications Achievements** Challenges **Cooperation Benefits** • Co-development with our • Batteries supply contract customer of the 1st generation won by our customer Low-cost battery Satellite Several hundreds of battery and assembly line in Risk reduction CEA LITEN Grenoble (France) Constellations satellites Battery cell usage • Use of COTS cells Launch of PFM expertise Industrial Transfer • Ability to deliver on time



AIRBUS/CEA COOPERATION AEROSPACE BATTERIES TRACK RECORD



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