



U.S. Department of Transportation
**National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**



ACE Instruments
Attention: Dr. Michael Schuerz
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Dear Dr. Schuerz:

This letter confirms that the ACE Instruments **ACE X**, **ACE II Basic**, and **ACE III Basic** breath alcohol screening devices have been evaluated by the Volpe Transportation Systems Center and were found to meet the model specifications for breath alcohol screening devices. We will include the **ACE X**, **ACE II Basic**, and **ACE III Basic** breath alcohol screening devices in the next update of the Conforming Products List (CPL) for breath alcohol screening devices. Enclosed for your convenience is a copy of the test report.

In order for this device to be used as a breath alcohol measuring instrument by workers in the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) workplace testing program, a quality assurance plan (QAP) must be approved by NHTSA, as required by 49 CFR Part 40, "Procedures for Transportation Drug and Alcohol Testing Program" (59 FR 7340). The QAP requires users to calibrate your equipment following your device's instruction, and the instructions provided by the manufacturer of a calibrating unit listed on the CPL for calibrating units.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has reviewed the Quality Assurance Plans (QAPs) dated June 12, 2017 for the **ACE X**, **ACE II Basic**, and **ACE III Basic** breath alcohol screening devices submitted in response to 49 CFR Part 40, and we are pleased to inform you that this submission has been approved.

We will place the QAPs on file at NHTSA, together with a copy of this letter, for interested agencies. Copies will also be provided to the DOT Office of Drug and Alcohol Policy and Compliance for their records. As a reminder, only those devices that are approved by NHTSA and appear on NHTSA's CPL are authorized for use in the DOT alcohol testing program [see 49 CFR Part §§ 40.229, 40.231, 40.233, 40.235 as applicable]. Please be advised that this office is to be notified immediately of any revisions or modifications to the devices or the QAPs.

If you have any questions regarding NHTSA's quality assurance program in relation to 49 CFR Part 40, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Randolph Atkins', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Randolph Atkins, Ph.D.
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Enclosure

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