



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
U.S. ARMY MISSION AND INSTALLATION CONTRACTING COMMAND  
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MEMORANDUM FOR MICC-Fort Drum

SUBJECT: Brand Name Letter for Swagelok Brand Name Items LCR

1. Justification for purchase of Swagelok LCR brand only fittings: The Chemical Test Division conducts testing with chemical warfare agent that, for safety and environmental reasons, must be carefully contained. Swagelok fittings are the industry standard and the company materials ensure proper fit that does not leak. Maintaining current use of Swagelok helps to ensure the consistency needed of test data, these lifecycle replacement parts are needed to continue the West Desert Test Center's testing mission.
2. WDTC determined years ago that utilizing Swagelok Brand exclusively for all Stainless steel fitting and compression requirements was needed because of the quality, durableness and availability. Interchangeability between brands such as Swagelok and Parker, for instance, is impossible due to intolerances in manufacturing and each brand does not fit or work with the other. Therefore, leaks. This is not conducive to chemical testing. We have consolidated all fittings to Swagelok, including our onboard, in stock material. Therefore, ordering another brand other than Swagelok would not work due to reasons stated above.
3. Due to compatibility of Swagelok fittings and components with existing uses, it is in the government's best interest to continue using these products.
4. For the reasons listed above, the Chemical Test Division requests that Swagelok parts and components be purchased.
5. If there are any questions, please contact the Contracting Officer at [usarmy.drum.acc-micc.mbx.micc@army.mil](mailto:usarmy.drum.acc-micc.mbx.micc@army.mil)

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