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*ASTM consensus has not been obtained on this information letter. An appropriate ASTM ballot will be issued in order to achieve such consensus.*

TO: Sequence IVA Mailing List  
SUBJECT: Critical Part Modification Statement

At the January 24, 2013 Sequence IV Surveillance panel meeting, the panel approved revisions to state clearly that critical parts are not to be modified in any way from as-received condition unless expressly approved by the Sequence IV Surveillance Panel. If any critical part is modified it is to be noted in the comment section of the test report. Sections 6.4.1.3 and 6.4.2 of ASTM Test Method D 6891 have been revised.

The attached changes to Test Method D 6891 are effective the date of this information letter.

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Attachment

c: [ftp://ftp.astmtmc.cmu.edu/docs/gas/sequenceiv/procedure\\_and\\_ils/il13-1.pdf](ftp://ftp.astmtmc.cmu.edu/docs/gas/sequenceiv/procedure_and_ils/il13-1.pdf)

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## **Revises Test Method D 6891-10a**

6.4.1.3 *Test Kit*—For every official test conducted, use one test kit. This kit includes a camshaft, two rocker shafts, twelve rocker arms, three oil filters, and four spark plugs. The test kit camshaft and rocker arms are considered critical test parts. Do not substitute critical test parts with any other dealer, or aftermarket supplied hardware. Do not alter or modify any test kit part from as-received condition unless expressly approved by the surveillance panel. If any test kit part is modified, note that in the comment section of the test report.

6.4.2 *Procurement of Critical Parts*—The test camshaft and rocker arms are critical engine parts for this test method. Obtain these parts by annual orders placed through Nissan North America. Do not use dealer, service, or aftermarket camshafts and rocker arms for this test method. Do not alter or modify any critical part from as-received condition unless expressly approved by the surveillance panel. If any critical part is modified, note that in the comment section of the test report.