# BRAMMER STANDARD COMPANY, INC.

## Certificate of Analysis

## BS 140/3

Certified Reference Material for 50% Ferrosilicon

	Certified Value <sup>2</sup>	Estimate of Uncertainty <sup>3</sup>	Certified Values <sup>4</sup>	Certified Value <sup>2</sup>	Estimate of Uncertainty <sup>3</sup>
Fe	51.0	0.4			
Mn	0.60	0.01			
Si	46.9	0.3			

### Informational Values<sup>4,5</sup>

AI (0.59)	C (0.044)	Ca (0.095)	Cr (0.18)	Cu (0.091)
Ni (0.090)	P (0.018)	S (0.004)	Ti (0.073)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This certificate is a revision. For more information on the nature and extent of the revision, see the revision statement on page 4.

The requirements of ISO Guides 31, 34, and 35 were followed for the preparation of this Certified Reference Material and certificate of analysis. This is a Certified Reference Material as defined by ISO Guide 30.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For each element, the certified value listed is the present best estimate of the true value based on the mean of the weighted results of an interlaboratory testing program. See page 3 for more information on its calculation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> For each element, the uncertainty listed is based on a statistical evaluation of the contributions of homogeneity and the interlaboratory testing program. See page 3 for more information on its calculation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Values are given in weight percent.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Values in parentheses are not certified and are provided for information only.

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Analysis	*	Fe	*	Mn	*	Si
1	17	50.62	17	0.54	17	46.4
2	16	[50.8092]	17	0.59	17	46.62
3	17	50.85	4	0.604233	17	46.89
4	17	51.40	17	0.61	17	46.98
5	17	51.45	17	0.63	17	47.03
6					17	47.31
8					17	47.3916
9						
		F4 00F04		0.50405		40.04504
Average		51.02584		0.59485		46.94594
Std dev		0.00045		0.00045		0.00038
Н		0.24474		0.007258		0.226726
U <sub>1</sub>		0.24		0.0073		0.23
t-statistic		2.78		2.78		2.45
U <sub>2</sub>		0.68		0.020		0.55
$U_3$		0.30		0.0090		0.21
Certified		51.0		0.60	()	46.9
Uncertair	nty	0.4		0.01		0.3
Tolerance		0.9		0.03		0.9

**BS 140/3** \* Code for method Informational values listed as weight percent

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Analysis	*	ΑI	*	С	*	Ca	*	Cr	*	Cu	*	Ni	*	Р	*	S
1	17	0.58	17	0.040	17	0.09	17	0.18	17	0.09	17	0.08	17	0.009	1	0.000933
2	4	0.592533	17	0.043	4	0.0949	4	0.182067	17	0.09	4	0.0906	17	0.013	17	0.004
3	17	0.61	17	0.046	17	0.10			4	0.092733	17	0.10	4	0.022933	17	0.004
4			17	0.047												
5			1	0.051167												
6			17	0.061												
7			17	0.063									17	0.026	17	0.007
Average		0.59418		0.04390		0.09497		0.18103		0.09091		0.09020		0.01773		0.00398
Std dev		0.00058		0.00035		0.00058		0.00071		0.00058		0.00058		0.00050		0.00050
Н		0.007252		0.00158		0.002382		0.003446		0.002325		0.002315		0.00102		0.000551
U <sub>1</sub>		0.0073		0.0016		0.0025		0.0035		0.0024		0.0024		0.0011		0.00074
t-statistic		4.30		2.45		4.30		12.71		4.30		4.30		3.18		3.18
U <sub>2</sub>		0.031		0.0040		0.011		0.045		0.010		0.010		0.0036		0.0024
U <sub>3</sub>		0.018		0.0015		0.0061		0.032		0.0060		0.0059		0.0018		0.0012
(Information	al)	(0.59)		(0.044)		(0.095)		(0.18)		(0.091)		(0.090)	) I	(0.018)		(0.004)

Analysis	*	Ti
1	17	0.061
2	4	0.0671
3	17	0.09
Average		0.07270
Std dev		0.00058
Н		0.002058
U₁		0.0021
t-statistic		4.30
U <sub>2</sub>		0.0092
U <sub>3</sub>		0.0053
(Information	al)	(0.073)

For each element, in accordance with the requirements of ISO Guides 34 and 35, an effort must be made to account for the effects on the certified value of the uncertainty estimate from homogeneity testing (H) and the uncertainties of the contributing laboratories. The average (A) is calculated using a weighted mean where the reciprocal of the square of each laboratory's combined uncertainty ( $C_L$ ), calculated from its standard deviation ( $S_L$ ) and its uncertainty estimate ( $U_L$ ), is used as the weight ( $W_L$ ) for it's mean ( $M_L$ ). The standard deviation (S) is calculated as the square root of the reciprocal of the sum of the weights.  $U_1$  is the combined uncertainty from homogeneity and labs.  $U_2$  is  $U_1$  times the coverage factor (95 % t-statistic).  $U_3$  is  $U_2$  divided by the square root of the number of determinations (n). Thus:

$$C_L = \sqrt{S_L^2 + U_L^2} \qquad W_L = \frac{1}{C_L^2} \qquad A = \frac{\displaystyle\sum_{i=1}^n W_L M_L}{\displaystyle\sum_{i=1}^n W_L} \qquad S = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\displaystyle\sum_{i=1}^n W_L}} \qquad U_1 = \sqrt{H^2 + S^2} \qquad U_2 = t \times U_1 \qquad U_3 = \frac{U_2}{\sqrt{n}}$$

All but the final reported values are taken to two significant figures as determined by each quantity's uncertainty estimate. The final reported Uncertainty is  $U_3$  rounded to one significant figure and represents the half width of the 95 % confidence interval for the **Certified** value. The final reported **Certified** value is A rounded to the same decimal place as the Uncertainty. The Tolerance is the half width of the 95 % confidence interval for measurements rounded to the same decimal place as the Uncertainty. The Uncertainty is a measure of the quality of the **Certified** value. The Tolerance is a measure of the expected performance of an analysis.

For further information regarding the confidence interval for the certified value see ISO Guide 35:2006 section 6.

### **Analytical Method Codes:**

Combustion (ASTM E1019) 13 Titrimetric 7 Photometric 2 8 Flame Atomic Absorption Fusion (ASTM E 1019) 14 DCP Atomic Emission 9 GF Atomic Absorption Spark Atomic Emission 15 HG Atomic Fluorescence 4 ICP Atomic Emission 10 X-Ray Fluorescence 16 Difference 5 ICP Mass Spectrometry 11 GD Atomic Emission 17 Wet 12 GD Mass Spectrometry Gravimetric

 $ICP = Inductively Coupled Plasma \qquad GF = Graphite Furnace \qquad GD = Glow Discharge \\ DCP = Direct Current Plasma \qquad HG = Hydride Generation$ 

<b>Laboratory</b>	<b>Location</b>	<u>Registrar</u>	<b>Accreditation</b>
Andrew S. McCreath & Son, Inc.	Harrisburg, PA		
Bowser-Morner Testing Laboratories, Inc.	Dayton, OH		
Coors/Spectro-Chemical Laboratory	Golden, CO		
Anderson Laboratories	Milwaukee, WI		
Union Carbide Corporation	Ashtabula, OH		
Japan Inspection Co., Ltd.	Tokyo, Japan		
Laboratory Testing, Inc.	Hatfield, PA	PRI/Nadacap	17025

Nadcap = National Aerospace and Defense Contractors Accreditation Program PRI = Performance Review Institute

<u>Analysis:</u> Chemical analyses were made on samples taken from the bulk material. The original participating laboratories normally followed the requirements of ISO Standard 17025. The laboratories participating in the stability testing followed the requirements of ISO Standard 17025. Methods of analysis used were a those listed on page 2.

<u>Traceability:</u> The following Certified Reference Materials were used to validate the analytical data listed on page 2 — AR 673; LECO 501-502; SRM 347, 3109A.

**<u>Homogeneity:</u>** This Certified Reference Material (CRM) was tested for homogeneity using ASTM Standard Method E 826 and found acceptable.

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<u>Validity statement:</u> ISO Guide 31 states that the certification should contain an expiration date for all materials where instability has been demonstrated or is considered possible, after which the certified value is no longer guaranteed by the certifying body. The certification of BS 140/3 is valid for 20 years from the date of this certification. The certification is nullified if this CRM is damaged, contaminated, or otherwise modified.

Source: This material was produced by Union Carbide Corporation/Ferroalloys Division; Ashtabula, Ohio.

Form: This CRM is available only in the form of minus 100 mesh powder in 100 gram containers.

<u>Use:</u> This CRM is intended for use in x-ray spectrmetric and solution methods of analysis. Refer to ISO Guide 33 for information about the use of Certified Reference Materials.

**Sample Preparation:** For best analytical results, use the same method for preparing the analytical surface on all reference materials as you use for production specimens.

<u>Certificate Number:</u> The unique identification number for this certificate of analysis is REV140/3-093016. You may obtain information on revisions of certificates from the internet at <u>www.brammerstandard.com</u>.

<u>Safety Notice:</u> A Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) is not required for this material. This material will not release or otherwise result in exposure to a hazardous chemical, under normal conditions of use. Inquiries concerning this Reference Material should be directed to:

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Brammer Standard Company, Inc., is accredited by the American Association For Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA) to ISO Guide 34 as a Reference Material Producer for the production of Certified Reference Materials and Reference Materials (Certificate Number 656.02)

Brammer Standard Company's Chemical Laboratory is accredited by A2LA to ISO Standard 17025. (Certificate Number 656.01)

By Certificate Number 10539, the Quality System of Brammer Standard Company, Inc., is registered to ISO 9001:2008 by National Quality Assurance (NQA), U.S.A.

The scopes of accreditation are listed on the website: www.brammerstandard.com

Expiration: 20 years from the date of certification, which is September 30, 2036. This material is valid until that date.

**Revision:** This certified reference material was originally certified as a reference material in 1979 and then revised on June 15, 1987. The documented validity for Brammer Standard Company powder products is 20 years. Additional inter-laboratory testing was performed in 2016 to prove stability and has been included on this certificate. C has changed from informational to certified. Al, Ca, Cu, Ni, and Ti changed from certified to informational. Revised values for all elements except Cr, Mn, and S are presented.

### **References:**

Versions used were those available at the time of testing and characterization

E 826 Standard Practice for Testing Homogeneity of a Metal Lot or Batch in Solid Form by Spark Atomic Emission Spectrometry
 E 1019 Standard Test Methods for Determination of Carbon, Sulfur, Nitrogen, and Oxygen in Steel, Iron, Nickel, and Cobalt

E 1806 Standard Practice for Sampling Steel and Iron for Determination of Chemical Composition

Alloys by Various Combustion and Fusion Techniques

ISO Standard 17025:2005 General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories

ISO Standard 9001:	2008 Quality Management Systems - Requirements
	Terms and definitions used in connection with reference materials + 2008 amendment
	Reference materials - Contents of certificates and labels
	Uses of certified reference materials
ISO Guide 34:2009	General requirements for the competence of reference material producers
ISO Guide 35:2006	Reference Materials - General and statistical principles for certification
	ailable from ASTM, 1916 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA, 19103.  ndards available from Global Engineering - www.global.ihs.com
Other useful docume	ents available from NIST, U.S. Department of Commerce, Gaithersburg, MD 20899.
NIST Special Public	ation 260-100, Handbook for SRM Users
NIST Special Public Methods and Labora	ation 829, Use of NIST Standard Reference Materials for Decisions on Performance of Analytical Chemical stories
Certified by:	on September 30, 2016.
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