GB/3746B/B(U) (Rev.6)

**CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL OF PACKAGE DESIGN   
FOR THE CARRIAGE OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL**

This is to certify that for the purposes of the Regulations of the International Atomic Energy Agency

* The Competent Authority of Great Britain in respect of inland surface transport, being the Office for Nuclear Regulation;
* The Competent Authority of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in respect of sea transport, being the Secretary of State for Transport;
* The Competent Authority of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in respect of air transport, being the Civil Aviation Authority; and
* The Competent Authority of Northern Ireland in respect of road transport, being the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs - Northern Ireland

approve the package design specified in Section 1 of this certificate, as submitted for approval by QSA Global Inc. (see Section 5)

as: Type B(U)

by: road and rail in Great Britain; road in Northern Ireland; air; sea.

Packaging identification: 3746B

Packages manufactured to this design meet the requirements of the regulations and codes on pages 3 and 4, relevant to the mode of transport, subject to the following general condition and to the conditions in the succeeding pages of this certificate.

In the event of any alteration in the composition of the package, the package design, the management system(s) associated with the package or in any of the facts stated in the application for approval, this certificate will cease to have effect unless the Competent Authority is notified of the alteration and the Competent Authority confirms the certificate notwithstanding the alteration.

Expiry Date: This certificate cancels all previous revisions and is valid until the end of August 2028 (see Section 5).

COMPETENT AUTHORITY IDENTIFICATION MARK: GB/3746B/B(U)

Signature: Date of Issue: 04 September 2023



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on behalf of the Office for Nuclear Regulation; the Secretary of State for Transport; the Civil Aviation Authority; and the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs - Northern Ireland.

***This certificate does not relieve the consignor from compliance with any requirement of the government of any country through or into which the package will be transported.***

**REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE TRANSPORT OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS**

**INTERNATIONAL**

International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)

SSR-6 Regulations for the Safe Transport of Radioactive Material 2018 Edition

United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)

Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR) 2023 Edition

Intergovernmental Organisation for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF)

Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail (RID) 2023 Edition

International Maritime Organization (IMO)

International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code 2020 Edition incorporating Amendment 40-20

International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)

Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air 2023-2024 Edition

**UNITED KINGDOM**

***ROAD***

GREAT BRITAIN ONLY:

The Energy Act 2013 (2013 c. 32); The Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment Regulations 2009 (SI 2009 No. 1348); The Energy Act 2013 (Office for Nuclear Regulation) (Consequential Amendments, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2014 (SI 2014 No. 469)

NORTHERN IRELAND ONLY:

The Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010, (SR 2010 No 160)

***RAIL***

GREAT BRITAIN ONLY:

The Energy Act 2013 (2013 c. 32); The Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment Regulations 2009 (SI 2009 No. 1348); The Energy Act 2013 (Office for Nuclear Regulation) (Consequential Amendments, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2014 (SI 2014 No. 469)

***SEA***

British registered ships and all other ships whilst in United Kingdom territorial waters:

The Merchant Shipping Act 1995 (1995 c. 21); The Merchant Shipping (Dangerous Goods and Marine Pollutants) Regulations 1997 (SI 1997 No. 2367); Merchant Shipping Notice MSN 1906 (M) The carriage of dangerous goods and marine pollutants: Amendments to international standards

***AIR***

The Air Navigation Order 2016 (SI 2016 No. 765); The Air Navigation (Dangerous Goods) Regulations 2002 (SI 2002 No.2786)

1. DESIGN SPECIFICATION
   1. Package Design
      * 1. The package design specification shall be in accordance with QSA Global Inc. Application for Type B(U) Approval for Container 3746B, reference R.S 0139 Issue 6, dated 4 January 2023, and modifications to the package design approved by the authorities named on page 1 of this certificate under the established modifications procedure.
   2. Design Drawings
      * 1. The design is specified in the following drawings.

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| **Design No.** | **Title (number of components)** | **Drawing / Drawing List** | **Issue** |
| 3746B  3746  P500 | Drawing List  General Arrangement  Outer / Steel Drum Assembly  Pot Assembly (one) | RS 0138  JB133/000  JB132/010  JB133/020 | 2  B  B  B |
| Approved IAEA SF Capsule | Various | As valid | As valid |

* 1. Package Description and Materials of Manufacture
     + 1. The package outer is a carbon steel drum, with a full diameter lid and a stainless steel clamp-band. Two handles provide for lifting and for tie-down. Impact and thermal protection is provided by the drum and a cork liner whilst a lead pot provides radiation shielding. The pot can have tungsten or depleted uranium inserts for additional radiation shielding. The pot holds special form capsules of iridium-192 and selenium-75. See Appendix 1 for package illustration.
  2. Package Dimension and Weights
     + 1. Nominal dimensions: 325 mm diameter x 405 mm height
       2. Maximum authorised gross weight: 54.0 kg
  3. Authorised Contents
     + 1. Authorised radioactive contents:
          1. Metallic iridium or selenium intermetallic alloy encapsulated as approved and valid IAEA Special Form Capsule Material.
          2. The maximum activity of iridium-192 in the package is limited to a source output of 7.4 TBq when using the depleted uranium insert.
          3. The maximum activity of iridium-192 in the package is limited to a source output of 3.4 TBq when using the tungsten insert.
          4. The maximum activity of selenium-75 in the package is limited to 12 TBq when using either insert.
          5. Maximum heat load is limited to 2.78 W generating surface flux of 5.6 W/m2.
          6. When any combination of the radionuclides referred to in 1.6.b, 1.6.c and 1.6.d is to be carried; they shall be limited such that the sum of the proportionate amounts of each radionuclide present with respect to the quantities shown does not exceed one.
  4. Containment System
     + 1. The containment for the radioactive material is the stainless steel or titanium of the special form source capsules which are closed by welding.

1. use of package
   1. Information Provided in Safety Report on Use of Packaging
      * 1. The packaging shall be used and handled and maintained in accordance with QSA Global Inc. Operating and Maintenance Instructions for the Model 3746B, reference HPI-129 Issue 6, dated 21 November 2022.
   2. Actions Prior to Shipment
      * 1. Administrative controls shall ensure that the contents are in accordance with Section 1 of this certificate, and that the consignor and consignee hold a copy of the certificate and instructions on the use of the packaging.
        2. The package is not required to reach thermal equilibrium prior to shipment.
   3. Range of Ambient Conditions for Package Design
      * 1. -40ºC to +38ºC
        2. -40ºC to +55ºC for air
   4. Emergency Arrangements
      * 1. Before shipment takes place, adequate emergency arrangements must be made, copies of which shall be supplied to the GB Competent Authority on demand.
        2. Within Great Britain, if the consignor’s own, or other approved emergency plans, cannot be initiated for any reason, then the police shall be informed immediately.
2. management systems
   * + 1. The management system(s) assessed as adequate in relation to this design by the authorities named on page 1 of this certificate, at the date of issue, comprise the following:

* QSA Global Inc. Quality System Manual (QSM-1) as specified in RS 0139 Issue 6 dated 4 January 2023.
  + - 1. No alteration may be made to any management system confirmed as adequate in relation to this design, unless:
         1. the authorities named on page 1 of this certificate have confirmed the amended management system is adequate prior to implementation or use; or
         2. the alteration falls within the agreed change control procedures set out in the management system(s).
      2. Other management systems for design, testing, manufacture, documentation, use, maintenance, inspection, transport and in-transit storage operations may be used providing they comply with international, national or other standards for management systems agreed as acceptable by the authorities named on page 1 of this certificate.

1. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
   1. Shipment Approval
      * 1. There is no requirement for a shipment approval.
   2. Packaging Serial Numbers
      * 1. This design approval applies only to packaging serial numbers 001 to 122.
        2. For the purpose of compliance with ADR / RID, the owner of the packaging shall be responsible for informing ONR of the serial number of each packaging manufactured to this design.
2. CERTIFICATE STATUS
   1. Design approval issued to:

QSA Global Inc.

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Burlington, MA 01803

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| **Issue / Revision Number** | **Date of Issue** | **Date of Expiry** | **Reason for Revision** |
| 1 | 06 February 2004 | End of February 2007 | First issue under new regulations |
| 2 | 14 February 2008 | End of February 2013 | Renewal and change of ownership |
| 3 | 22 January 2013 | End of February 2018 | Renewal |
| 4 | 28 February 2018 | End of August 2018 | Extension |
| 5 | 23 August 2018 | End of August 2023 | Renewal |
| 6 | 04 September 2023 | End of August 2028 | Renewal |

Appendix 1 – package illustration

