



## Commitment to Quality Control

Presently Fores operates four manufacturing plants near Yekaterinburg, Russia. In addition a new plant in Quebec, Canada, is in the process of being commissioned and is scheduled to come online by the end of the year. All five facilities are owned and operated by Fores and quality control procedures are uniform across the different plants. As per API guidelines, Fores stores 1 liter of proppant from every lot for a period of 12 months and data from testing is stored indefinitely.

The following tests are conducted on every metric tonne to ensure consistent quality:

- Specific gravity and bulk density
- Sieve analysis
- Crush test at 7,500 psi or 10,000 psi as appropriate for the mesh size
- Roundness and sphericity

Fores runs the appropriate full API tests for every lot (which is 60 tonnes in Russia). This full test includes all of the above (with 5,000, 7,500 and 10,000 psi crush tests)

In addition, the following is also run:

- Acid solubility; one each with HCl+HF and with HCl

Every month Fores tests each mesh size for:

- Conductivity and Permeability

Fores is committed to quality throughout all aspects of it's business. Fores' upper management not only includes ownership of the business, but ownership of quality and all other aspects of customer service.

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