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Concorde Battery Receives QPL Approval for F-16 Aircraft Batteries

Concorde Battery Corporation’s F-16 Pre-Block 40 and Block 40/50 aircraft batteries have been approved for the Qualified Product Listing.

**Concorde’s D8565/19-1 pre-block 40 and D8565/20-1 Block 40/50 aircraft batteries are drop in replacements for existing lead acid batteries in the wheel-well installation.**

The D8565/19-1 (NSN 6140-01-458-4863) is a heated battery rated at 15Ah and D8565/20-1 (NSN 6140-01-492-0227) is a non-heated battery rated at 17Ah. Both are valve regulated sealed lead acid (VRLA) batteries. Air Forces around the world have depended on the reliability of Concorde’s VRLA technology for over 30 years.

Concorde batteries were installed on the F-117 when it was unveiled to the public and continue to be installed on multiple military aircraft including the CH-53, F/A-18, C-130, S-3 Viking, CH-47, C-5, KC-135, F-4, F-5, T-38 and B-1B.

Concorde’s superior performance can be attributed to unique design features such as proprietary PolyGuard® separators (an additional layer of protection against shorting, exclusive to Concorde) robust plate construction, over the cell wall intercell connections for reduced internal resistance and a commitment to quality standards.

Concorde’s VRLA batteries are maintenance free, do not require deep cycling to remove the “memory effects”, do not require water or electrolyte replenishment and have no risk of thermal runaway. Additional benefits of Concorde batteries are that they do not require unique charging equipment, can be serviced in any battery shop, including nickel-cadmium shops, and they ship Hazmat Exempt making transportation less costly, regardless of whether shipping by land, sea or air.

Concorde designs and manufactures over 90 models of Original Equipment and direct replacement batteries for fixed wing and rotary aircraft and has a reputation for designing application specific solutions. Concorde batteries are installed as original equipment by the majority of aircraft manufacturers and adopted by military aircraft operators worldwide.

Manufacturing Military and Commercial TSO, FAA-PMA and OEM certified aircraft batteries for over 30 years.

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