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## COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION

INSULATION TAPE, ELECTRICAL, 600V, POLYVINYL CHLORIDE,  
PRESSURE-SENSITIVE ADHESIVE

The General Services Administration has authorized the use of this commercial item description for all federal agencies.

1. **SCOPE.** This commercial item description (CID) covers an electrically insulating, flame retardant, cold weather resistant, polyvinyl chloride tape with pressure sensitive adhesive. This tape is intended for use as electrical insulation on joints and splices of wires and cables in an environment of up to 600 volts and 176 °F (80 °C).

2. **CLASSIFICATION.** The electrical insulation tape shall of the following thicknesses, widths, lengths, and colors:

2.1 **Thickness.** The tape thickness shall be one of the coded options listed in table I (see 7.3(b)).

TABLE I. Tape thickness.

Code	Thickness (in inches)
A	0.0070
B	0.0090

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2.2 Width. The tape width shall be one of the coded options listed in table II (see 7.3(c)).

TABLE II. Tape width.

Code	Width (in inches)	Code	Width (in inches)
1	0.250	6	1.000
2	0.375	7	1.250
3	0.500	8	1.500
4	0.625	9	2.000
5	0.750	X	Other (specify in acquisition order)

2.3 Length. The tape length shall be one of the coded options listed in table III (see 7.3(d)).

TABLE III. Tape length.

Code	Length (in feet)
A	20
B	66
C	108
X	Other (specify in acquisition order)

2.4 Color. The tape color shall be one of the coded options listed in table IV (see 7.3(e)).

TABLE IV. Tape color.

Code	Color	Code	Color
1	Black	6	Blue
2	Red	7	Gray
3	Orange	8	White
4	Yellow	9	Clear
5	Green		

### 3. SALIENT CHARACTERISTICS

3.1 Materials. The tape shall meet the requirements of the ASTM D 2301, "Standard Specification for Vinyl Chloride Plastic Pressure-Sensitive Electrical Insulating Tape".

3.2 Performance. The tape shall be listed with Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) as meeting the flame retardant, cold resistant, and weather resistant requirements of UL 510, "Standard for Safety for Polyvinyl Chloride, Polyethylene, and Rubber Insulating Tape", and tested in accordance with

industry standard test methods specified in ASTM D 1000, "Standard Test Method for Pressure-Sensitive Adhesive-Coated Tapes Used for Electrical and Electronic Applications".

#### 4. REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

4.1 Recovered materials. The offeror/contractor is encouraged to use recovered materials to the maximum extent practicable, in accordance with paragraph 23.403 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR).

#### 5. PRODUCT CONFORMANCE PROVISIONS

5.1 Product conformance. The products provided shall meet the salient characteristics of this CID, conform to the producer's own drawings, specifications, standards, and quality assurance practices, and be the same product offered for sale in the commercial marketplace. The government reserves the right to require proof of such conformance.

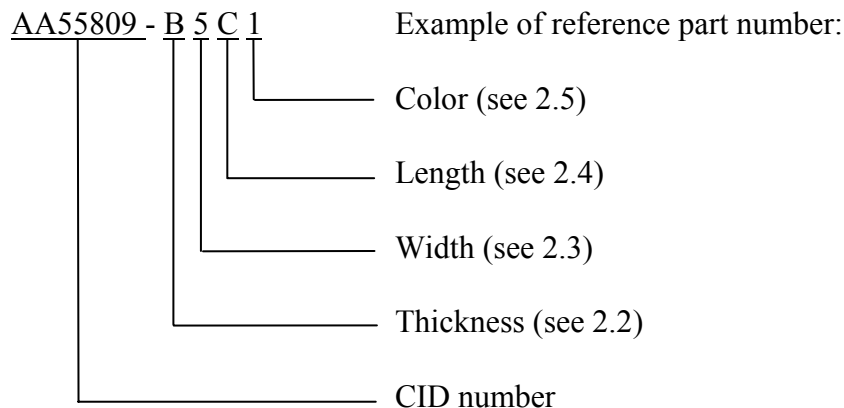
5.2 Market acceptability. The product offered must have been previously sold either to the government or on the commercial market.

#### 6. PACKAGING

6.1 Preservation, packing, and marking. Preservation, packing, and marking shall be as specified in the acquisition order (see 7.3(f)).

#### 7. NOTES

7.1 Part or identification number (PIN). The following PIN procedure is for government purposes and does not constitute a requirement for the contractor.



AA55809-B5C1 identifies tape, 0.0090 inch thick, 0.75 inch wide, 108 feet long, black in color.

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7.2 Sources of documents.

7.2.1 ASTM standards. Copies of ASTM standards may be obtained from ASTM International, 100 Barr Harbor Drive, P.O. Box C700, West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959. Electronic copies of ASTM standards may be obtained from <http://www.astm.org/>.

7.2.2 UL standards. Copies of UL standards may be obtained from Underwriter Laboratories Inc., 333 Pfingsten Road, Northbrook, IL 60062-2096. Electronic copies of UL standards may be obtained from <http://www.ul.com/>.

7.2.3 FAR. The FAR may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954. Electronic copies of FAR documents may be obtained from <http://www.arnet.gov/far/>.

7.3 Ordering data. The acquisition order should specify the following:

- a. CID document number, revision, title, the date of this document and the CID PIN.
- b. Thickness of tape (see 2.1).
- c. Width of tape (see 2.2).
- d. Length of tape (see 2.3).
- e. Color of tape (see 2.4).
- f. Preservation, packing, and marking (see 6.1).

7.4 Cross-reference data. Table V provides a cross-reference between the A-A-55809 PIN, the HH-I-595 PIN, and the A-A-55809A PIN for each NSN identified.

TABLE V. Part number cross-reference list.

NSN	A-A-55809 PIN	HH-I-595 PIN	A-A-55809A PIN
5970-00-816-6056	AA55809-C0	HH-I-595-B-108-0	AA55809-B5C1
5970-00-926-7219		HH-I-595-A-108-0	AA55809-A3C1
5970-01-218-6290		HH-I-595-C-108-0	AA55809-A6C1
5970-01-373-5674	AA55809-A2	HH-I-595-A-66-2	AA55809-A3A2
5970-01-373-5675		HH-I-595-A-66-4	AA55809-A3B4
5970-01-373-5676		HH-I-595-A-66-9	AA55809-A3B8
5970-01-373-5677		HH-I-595-A-66-6	AA55809-A3B6
5970-01-407-1140		HH-I-595-B-66-4	AA55809-A5B4
5970-01-407-1142	AA55809-C2		AA55809-A5B2
5970-01-407-1143		HH-I-595-B-66-5	AA55809-A5B5
5970-01-407-1144		HH-I-595-B-108-2	AA55809-A5C2
5970-01-407-1145		HH-I-595-B-66-9	AA55809-A5B8

TABLE V. Part number cross-reference list - Continued.

NSN	AA55809 PIN	HH-I-595 PIN	A-A-55809A PIN
5970-01-407-1146		HH-I-595-B-108-5	AA55809-A5C5
5970-01-407-1147		HH-I-595-B-108-4	AA55809-A5C4
5970-01-407-1150		HH-I-595-B-108-6	AA55809-A5C6
5970-01-407-2881	AA55809-C6	HH-I-595-B-66-6	AA55809-A5B6
5970-01-472-1355	AA55809-A0	HH-I-595-A-66-0	AA55809-A3A1

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