

## ANNEX III

### CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

#### 7. MODULE E: CONFORMITY TO TYPE BASED ON PRESSURE EQUIPMENT QUALITY ASSURANCE

##### 4. **Surveillance under the responsibility of the notified body**

4.4. In addition the notified body may pay unexpected visits to the manufacturer.

The need for such additional visits, and the frequency thereof, will be determined on the basis of a visit control system operated by the notified body. In particular, the following factors shall be considered in the visit control system:

- the category of the pressure equipment,
- the results of previous surveillance visits,
- the need to follow up corrective actions,
- special conditions linked to the approval of the system, where applicable,
- significant changes in manufacturing organisation, policy or techniques.

During such visits, the notified body may, if necessary, carry out product tests, or have them carried out, in order to verify that the quality system is functioning correctly. The notified body shall provide the manufacturer with a visit report and, if tests have been carried out, with a test report.