



# Qualification Testing of the PGU-47 Armor Piercing High Explosive Incendiary-Traced 25mm Cartridge

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- Cartridge developed by Nordic Ammunition Group (NAMMO) Raufoss, Norway
- Fuze developed by Dezamet, S.A.
- Fired from GAU-22/A, developed by General Dynamics Ordnance and Tactical Systems (GD-OTS)
  - Internally mounted on F-35A
  - Externally mounted pod (Missionized Gun System) for F-35B and C
- Candidate to meet F-35 ORD
- OSD approved DoN FCT to conduct comparative testing





# **USN Qualification Program Activities** and Lead POCs



- NAVAIR, Code PMA-242 Pete Sweazy ullet
  - Management, Procurement & Configuration Management
  - FCT Program Lead John Preble
- NSWC China Lake (CA)
  - Principal for Safety (PFS) Dr. Charles Ezeike
  - Logistics Manager Ron Swanson
- NSWC Dahlgren •
  - Qualification Program Lead Jim McConkie
  - Qualification Technical Lead Scott Smith
- NSWC Crane
  - Quality Evaluation (Surveillance) Plans Greg Deckard
- NSWC Indian Head •

  - Energetics Qual Mike McDonnell Naval Munitions Data (NMD) Brian Cole
- **EOD** Tech Division
  - EOD Procedures Mike Bonaguro



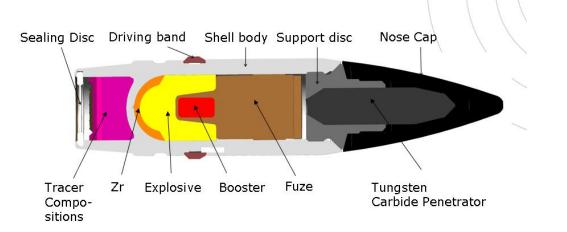


- NAMMO (Norway)– Eva Friis
  - Design, Procurement, Configuration Management, & Program Management
  - Select Qualification Testing of All-Up 25mm PGU-47/U Cartridge
- DEZAMET (Poland) Pawel Chlebowski
  - Design, Procurement, Configuration Management of FMU-171 Fuze
  - Design & Qualification Testing of FMU-171 Fuze
- GD-OTS (Burlington, VT) Gary Miller
  - Select Qualification Testing of All-Up 25mm PGU-47/U Cartridge
  - Design & Function and Casualty Testing in GAU-22 Gatling Gun
- GD-OTS (St Marks, FL) -
  - Design & Manufacture of Propellant
- KRATOS (Dahlgren, VA) Dave Powers & Susan Koban
  - Documentation (Program Planning Documents & Qualification Report)



## **PGU-47 Description**





| Component         | Material, Nomenclature | Net Explosive Weight |
|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Propellant        | SMP 795                | 83.0 grams (g)       |
| Main Charge       | PBXN-11                | 6.0 g                |
| Booster           | PBXN-5 Type I, Class 4 | 0.28 g               |
| Tracer            | NAMMO compositions     | 4.8 g                |
| Fuze Detonator    | M55 Stab               | 82 milligrams (mg)   |
| Fuze Booster Lead | PETN, Class 4 (D)      | 18 mg                |



## **Basic Safety Tests**



| Test        | Requirement  | Conduct | Status   |
|-------------|--------------|---------|----------|
| 28 Day T&H  | MIL-STD-2105 | NAMMO   | Complete |
| Vibration   | MIL-STD-2105 | NAMMO   | Complete |
| 4 Day T&H   | MIL-STD-2105 | NAMMO   | Complete |
| 40 ft. Drop | MIL-STD-2105 | NAMMO   | Complete |





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### Insensitive Munitions and Hazard Class Tests



| Test                        | Requirement                            | Conduct | Status      |
|-----------------------------|--|---------|-------------|
| Fast Cook Off               | MIL-STD-2105,<br>NAVSEAINST<br>8020.8C | NAMMO   | Complete    |
| Slow Cook Off               | MIL-STD-2105                           | NAMMO   | Complete    |
| Bullet Impact               | MIL-STD-2105                           | NAMMO   | Complete    |
| Fragment Impact             | MIL-STD-2105                           | NAMMO   | Complete    |
| Sympathetic<br>Reaction     | MIL-STD-2105,<br>NAVSEAINST<br>8020.8C | NAMMO   | Complete    |
| Shaped Charge Jet<br>Impact | MIL-STD-2105                           |         | Not Planned |
| Energetics<br>Qualification | NAVSEAINST<br>8020.8                   | USN     | Complete    |

Reaction types for each test were typical for minor caliber high explosive gun cartridges.



## Insensitive Munitions and Hazard Class Tests







SYSTEMS

| Test                     | Requirement           | Conduct     | Status   |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------|
| PVAT                     | GD-OTS A11710<br>CIDS | USN, NAMMO  | Complete |
| Function and<br>Casualty | GD-OTS A11710<br>CIDS | USN, GD-OTS | Complete |
| Salt Fog                 | MIL-STD-810           | GD-OTS      | Complete |
| Sand and Dust            | MIL-STD-810           | USN         | Complete |
| Arena                    | JTCG/JMEM             | USN         | Complete |
| Shipboard Shock          | MIL-S-901             | USN         | Complete |
| Waterproof               | MIL-STD-810           | GD-OTS      | Complete |





#### ENGAGEMENT Performance and Environmental Tests

SYSTEMS

| Test             | Requirement                | Conduct       | Status      |
|------------------|----------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| HERO             | MIL-STD-464                |               | N/A         |
| ESD              | MIL-STD-331<br>MIL-STD-464 | USA, Redstone | Complete    |
| EMV              | MIL-STD-464                |               | N/A         |
| Lightning Strike | MIL-STD-464                | USA, Redstone | Complete    |
| THVA             | MIL-STD-810                | GD-OTS        | In Progress |
| Terminal Effects | GD-OTS A11726<br>CID       | NAMMO         | Complete    |



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#### **Fuze Tests**



| Test                                  | Requirement           | Conduct      | Status   |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|----------|
| Fuze Function                         | GD-OTS A11726<br>CID  | NAMMO/GD-OTS | Complete |
| Fuze Arming<br>Distance               | MIL-STD-331           | NAMMO        | Complete |
| Primary Explosive<br>Component Safety | MIL-STD-331           | NAMMO        | Complete |
| Interrupter<br>Effectiveness          | MIL-STD-331           | Dezamet      | Complete |
| Jolt                                  | MIL-STD-331           | NAMMO        | Complete |
| Jumble                                | MIL-STD-331           | NAMMO        | Complete |
| Lead Azide                            | NAVSEAINST<br>8020.3A | USN          | Complete |
| 5 ft. Drop                            | MIL-STD-331           | NAMMO        | Complete |
| Brush Impact                          | MIL-STD-331           | NAMMO        | Complete |





- Completed the Following for the 25mm PGU-47/U APHEI-T Cartridge:
  - All Cartridge Level Testing Completed and Final Report Completed
  - Final Type Qualification (FTQ) Submitted and granted
  - Final Hazard Classification (FHC) Submitted and granted
  - FISTRIP Finding Closed
  - Final Operational Capability Submitted to WSESRB
- Future Qualification Events for the 25mm PGU-47/U APHEI-T Cartridge:
  - Cartridges Procured from Manufacturer (NAMMO) for 25mm GAU-22 Missionized Gun System (MGS) Qualification Testing
  - Document and Report the Finding of the MGS Testing







- All 25mm PGU-47/U Evaluation, Analysis, and Qualification Testing Complete
- Awaiting Final Operational Capability (FOC) from WSESRB (Cartridge Only)
- Qualification of 25mm PGU-47/U APAHEI-T cartridges in F35 Missionized Gun System (Gun Pod) - TBD
- Awaiting Decision by USN/USMC of Operation Use





#### **Questions?**









# Clif Samuels – A Warfighter's Friend A Tribute



- Mr. Clif Samuel, a lifelong resident of Fredericksburg passed away on Friday, 15 Jan 2016.
- He was a U.S. Army WWII veteran, who served in France and was a member of the VFW Post 3130 and the American Legion Post 55.
- He was a NSWCDD Sr. Project Manager for Minor caliber Guns Systems that Supported the USMC, NAVSEA and NAVAIR for over 40 years.
- He Supported NDIA Guns and Ammo Symposiums thru-out his career.
- A Gentleman, A Mentor, and a Fired to All He met.

