

**The tests are mostly right...
Nobody will know...**



Quality Control Testing

In this fraud scheme, a contractor misrepresents the results of quality control tests to earn contract incentives falsely or to avoid production shutdown in order to increase profits or limit costs.

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Selected “Red Flag” Indicators of Quality-Control Testing

- ✓ Contractor insisting on transporting quality control (QC) samples from the construction site to the lab
- ✓ Contractor not maintaining QC samples for later quality assurance (QA) testing
- ✓ Contractor challenging results or attempting to intimidate QA inspectors who obtain conflicting results
- ✓ Photocopies of QC test results where originals are expected
- ✓ Alterations or missing signatures on QC test results
- ✓ Contractor employees regularly taking or labeling QC samples away from inspector oversight
- ✓ Laboratory test reports are identical to sample descriptions and test results, varying only date and lot number tested
- ✓ Test results cannot be found or have been destroyed
- ✓ Test results are lost then “found” after delay

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