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Obstacles in the Transfer of Contactor Solutions from the OEM to the Subcontractor

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Introduction

- OEM development, transfer to external production facility most common business model
- Production test interface typically follows same path
- Challenges similar whether internal or external

Typical Flow

- Initial Development, Planning (4-18m pre-release)
- Bench Test (2-3m pre-release)
- Initial Production (0.5-2m pre-release)
- External launch
- Ramp-up & Post-partum (8-10w post-release)

Issues with the Original Interface

- Contamination
 - Lead Free
 - Alignment
- Z-axis
 - Blunting
 - Insufficient travel
- Mechanical cycle life

- Assembly inconsistencies
- Hygroscopic growth
- DUT board warping
- DUT board damage
- Modifications
- Package changes

Issues with Interface Copies

- Missing QA, altered inspection practices
- Revision control
- Sustained modifications
- Price control

Issues with Interface Alternatives

- Witness marks / package damage
- Cycle life
 - Yields
 - Cost of test
 - Production rates



Conclusions

- Most companies follow sound practices
 - Dedicated engineer
 - Standardized approaches
 - Controlled changes

- Most companies find pitfalls
 - Revision control
 - Limited communication
 - The Z-axis battle