

Weekly Report 06-30-2006 Tatsuhiko Yoshimura

GM Holden: We followed up on the state of DRBFM/DRBTR implementation at Holden. I have always been impressed by Holden's activities. I think they understand the background thoughts of these methodologies correctly. It is also a result of good efforts by Bill Haughey in GMNA Validation. He is the person who understands the GD³ philosophy most correctly. Observing the state of DRBTR, I could believe that GM quality could surely be improved, because their eyes were brightened to find hidden buds of problems. This is the true meaning of DRBTR. In these discussions, there were many items which we could find from the test vehicle. We need not wait to discuss these items until the end of durability test. We had better conduct DRBTR at the beginning of a durability test. We named it DRBTB, Design Review Before Test Begins. I welcome this kind of improvements.