

## Annex E – Manufacturer Comments

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The following material was received from the machine manufacturer in response to a draft version of this report.

### **Way Industry comments to be published in Annex E:**

**Way Industry Company considers the ITEP trials conducted according to CWA 15044 to be the most comprehensive and objective testing currently used for comparison of available mechanical demining assets. But we also agree with statement that the objective comparison can be done only in similar or fully comparable environmental conditions for each testing and we had accepted the fact that the CRTO test site still needed some improvements to be done in this regard, especially for lanes with local topsoil. Inconsistent topsoil conditions together with quite high number of lost targets (7 pcs in topsoil) which "could not be found" had some negative influence on Bozena-5 performance results on surrogate WORM targets.**

**In contrast with these results, all nineteen (19) anti-personel mines (PMA 1A, 2, 3, PMR-2A, PROM-1) and one (1) anti-tank mine (TMM-1) used during survivability test, all of them were reliably destroyed hence 100% effectiveness on live mines have been reached by Bozena-5 during this ITEP trial.**

**Notwithstanding to our above mentioned notes, Way Industry company fully coincides with ITEP team's Conclusions and Recommendations stated in this report and, as always, Way's designers will utilize them for further improvements of Bozena flail machine's design and performance characteristics.**

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