

Project No: CO1749

Re: Forged Upper Control Arm

(UCACOL17F & UCADMAXF)

Finite Element Analysis Engineering Report

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## Project No: CO1749-1 RG Colorado Upper Control Arm (UCACOL17F & UCADMAXF) 1450kg increased front axle rating to VSB14

To whom it may concern,

As requested, we have assessed the RG Holden Colorado (MY12+)/ Isuzu D-Max (MY12-19) aftermarket upper control arm to VSB14 loads for an increased front axle rating of 1450kg using FEA analysis. This analysis was based on the supplied geometry of the forged arm. Details of this design and the FEA analysis results are described in the following project data:

- Analysis Report: 1749-2030227-01

A brief overview of the upper control design is provided over-page.

Only the upper control arm design has been assessed and the remainder of the front suspension has not been considered as part of this analysis. Furthermore, this analysis only considers the VSB14 loads and is in no way an assessment of the overall durability or manufacturing quality.

Finite Element Analysis (FEA) has been used to assess the performance of upper control arm design subject to loads and limits set out in the following reference documents:

VSB14 "National Code of Practice for Light Vehicle Construction and Modification"

Based on the loading conditions and material properties used, the upper control arm design is considered to comply with the strength requirements of VSB14 for a maximum front axle rating of 1450kg under the following conditions:

- 1. The forged upper control arm of 301MPa (minimum) capacity with nominal minimum dimensions as per the specification.
- 2. Forging parameters such as the forging temperature, heat treatment and cooling rate, and their effect on material properties and residual stresses were beyond the scope of this study.
- 3. All welds are performed subject to any relevant standards for the intended application.
- Full details of the analysis and results are provided in report 1749-2030227-01, and any other
  conditions or requirements specified in the most recent version of that report must also be
  implemented.

Kind Regards,

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Figure 1: Upper Control Arm Design

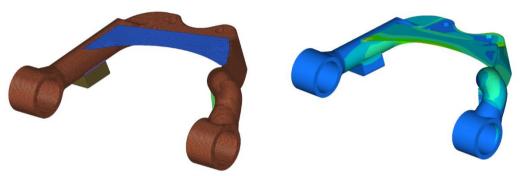


Figure 2: Upper Control Arm Mesh and Stress Contour