A. The Department of General Services is responsible for coordinating programs of executive and independent agencies for the inspection, testing, and acceptance of materials and construction to ensure availability of facilities and to avoid a duplication of functions.

B. If an agency requires technical assistance in evaluating the acceptability of a received material, the agency may request assistance from the Quality Assurance (QA) Division, Bureau of Procurement. QA assistance is not intended to replace agency inspections. A material that is not acceptable can usually be detected at the agency.

C. The QA Division may be able to recommend a laboratory for the agency to contact for testing. The QA Division can assist the agency in dealing with the contractor or manufacturer when the agency is unable to resolve a problem with an unacceptable material.