

DEVELOPMENTS IN SPRAY APPLIED COATINGS FOR THE PROTECTION OF PROCESS VESSELS

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Protective Coatings

 Performance of Hand Applied Protective Coatings is well documented



• Used for the internal lining of process vessels Subject to erosion and corrosion from aggressive fluids.

HOWEVER -

• Internal linings are limited by their immersion temperature resistance





Alternative to Protective Coatings

Materials of Construction

- Stainless Steel
- Exotic Alloys
- Overlaid Carbon Steel
- Fusion Bonded alloys



Limitations

- Must be applied at Construction phase
- Can be expensive for marginal projects
- Difficult to maintain / repair on-site
- Can suffer galvanic effects





Equipment Operating Conditions

- Operating and design temperatures
- Operating and design pressures
- Process Fluids
- Solids entrainment

Shutdown / Maintenance Conditions

- Steam out conditions
- Chemical Cleaning
- Mechanical cleaning
- Hot work restrictions
- Turn-around times

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Gas Phase Vapor Phase Immersion Phase

Protective Coating Selection Considerations

Ensure Coating is Suitable for Operating Conditions

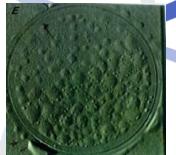
- Analyze equipment operating modes
- Select coating based on most aggressive operating condition :
 - Dry Heat (Gas Phase)
 - Wet Heat (Vapor Phase)
- Immersion (Immersion Phase)
- Check Coating Manufacturers Data to ensure correct coating selection



Consider Other operating Factors

- Operating and Design Pressure
 - Pressure vessels can be subject to sudden depressurization resulting in coating failure.
- Decontamination procedures
 - Steam out at elevated temperature
 - Chemical cleaning









Consider Other operating Factors

- Erosion from Entrained Solids
 - Process vessels can have entrained solids present either by design or changes to original operating parameters.
- Attack from Chemicals
 - Process vessels may in may situations require or produce chemical reactions that can cause deterioration in protective coatings e.g. :
 - Corrosion Inhibitors
 - Amine Solutions (MEA / MDEA ...)
 - High levels of CO2 / H2S





Consider all factors before making your coating selection OR discounting the use of a Coating Solution

- Operating and Design Temperatures
- Operating and Design Pressures
- Vessel Operating Phases
- Shutdown conditions
- Erosion from entrained solids
- Chemical attack
- Application characteristics
- " Repairability "
- Cost effectiveness



Hand Applied Protective Coatings

<u>Phase 1</u> - Completed in 1994 utilizing modified Phenol Epoxy Novolac technology to design a product to withstand immersion temperatures in aqueous / hydrocarbon fluids up to 120 C.



Coating Properties :

Туре

: Two Component binary reacting Modified Epoxy Novalac System containing abrasive fillers to enhance abrasion and erosion resistance.

Immersion Temperature : 120 C Resistance

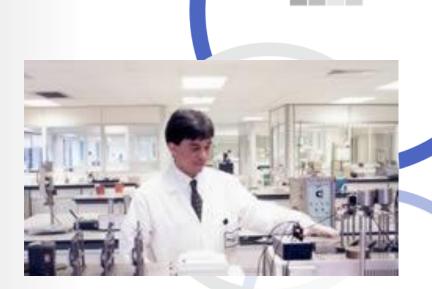
Steam-Out Temperature : 210C Resistance

Explosive Decompression : 100 bar (limit of testing to date) Resistance

Hand Applied Protective Coatings

<u>Phase 2</u> - Further developments using enhanced resins and chemically bonded fillers to increase immersion temperature resistance up to 180 C. In-house and Independent testing was completed to confirm performance

Coating Properties :



Туре (1591)

: Two Component binary reacting silicone Modified Epoxy Novalac System containing abrasive fillers to enhance

abrasion and erosion resistance.

Immersion Temperature : 180 C Resistance

Steam-Out Temperature : 210C + Resistance

Explosive Decompression : 80 bar (limit of testing to date) Resistance



Equipment

- Existing Oil and Gas Test Separators

Material of Construction

- Carbon Steel

Location - Global Locations

Service Conditions - Variable depending on well conditions between 80 and 155 C and pressures up to 100 bar.

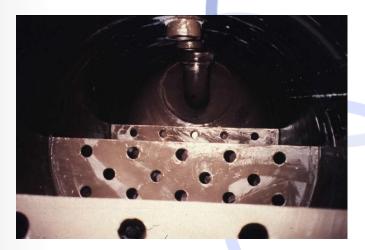
Coating System - 1591

Application Date - 1997 to date

Specification

 Grit blasting to SA 2.5 with a 75 micron profile after which coating was applied at a thickness of 800microns







Equipment

 Process vessels for new Major Offshore Platform

Location - Singapore

Material of - Carbon Steel Construction

Service Conditions - Variable depending on well conditions between 60 and 110 C and pressures up to 75 bar.

- Coating System 1391
- Application Date 2004

Specification

 Grit blasting to SA 2.5 with a 75 micron profile after which coating was applied at a thickness of 1000microns





Equipment

- Mercury Extraction vessels for New Major Offshore installation
- Location Malaysia
- Material of Carbon Steel Construction

Service Conditions - Variable depending on well conditions between 60 and 105 C and pressures up to 40 bar.

- Coating System 1391
- Application Date 2006
- Specification
- Grit blasting to SA 2.5 with a
 75 micron profile after which coating was applied at a thickness of 1000microns







Equipment

- Distilled water production unit in Refinery

Location

- Thailand

Material of - Stainless Steel Construction

Service Conditions - Operating condition of 97C

Coating System - 1391

Application Date - 1999

Specification

 Grit blasting to SA 2.5 with a 75 micron profile after which coating was applied at a thickness of 1000microns







Equipment

- Sour Water Stripper in Refinery

Location - Australia

Material of - Carbon steel Construction

Service Conditions - Operating condition of 70 – 105C

Coating System - 1391

Application Date - 2004

Specification

 Grit blasting to SA 2.5 with a 75 micron profile after which coating was applied at a thickness of 1000microns





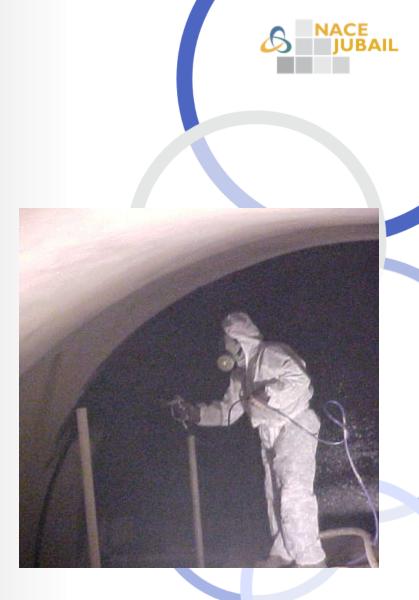
Hand Applied Coatings – Summary

- Temperature range up to 180C immersion resistance
- Pressure let-down resistance up to 100Bar
- Excellent erosion resistance
- Good application characteristics
- Solvent free
- Excellent resistance to hydrocarbons, amines and aqueous solutions
- Short cure times / fast return to service
- Repairable on-site
- Proven track record
- Available globally



Sprayable Coating Design Considerations

- To be based on proven hand applied coating resin and filler technology
- Use minimum level of resin modifier to achieve spray viscosity
- Optimize the filler blend and filler level to minimize effect on viscosity
- Remove coarse silicon carbide filler which would cause severe wear on the spray equipment
- Target immersion temperature resistance at minimum 120°C (248°F)

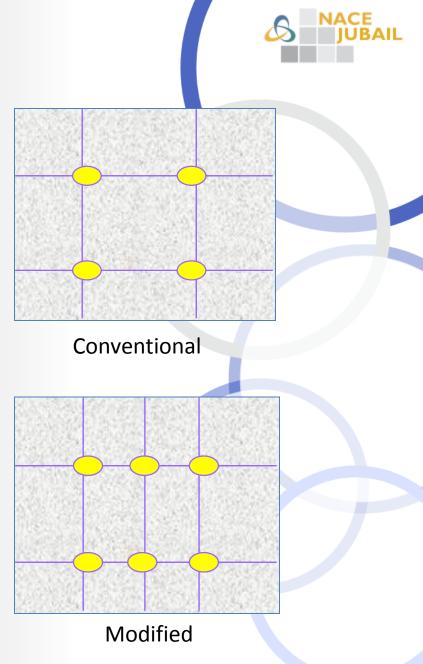


Functionality and Cross Linked Density

Cross link density is the number of reactive chemical sites within a given volume of Polymer material and the higher the cross linked density, the higher the polymer becomes to permeation.

Higher Cross linked density results in :

- Increased glass transition/heat distortion temperature
- Higher resistance to water & gas permeation
- Higher resistance to explosive decompression





The development therefore of the sprayable high temperature resistant coating systems has revolved around increasing the number of reactive sites within the matrix using known polymer technology based on the hand applied systems BUT reducing the viscosity of the resins systems to enable them to be sprayed.

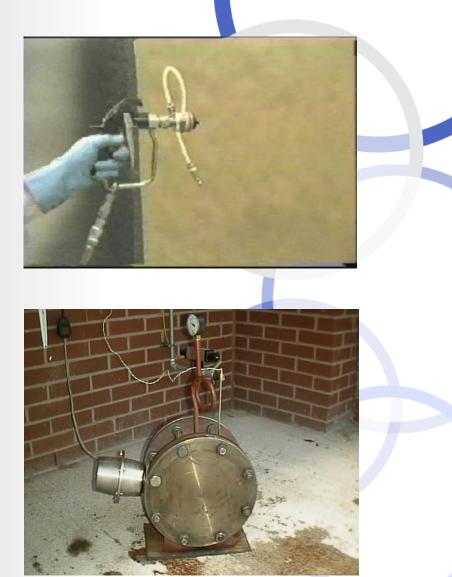
Sprayable Coating Testing Program

Sprayability :

The products were designed to be applied using either SINGLE component heated airless spray OR DUAL component heated airless spray

Immersion Temperature Resistance :

The products were designed to perform in immersion temperatures up to 150C in pressurized service – Hydrocarbon and Water mixtures



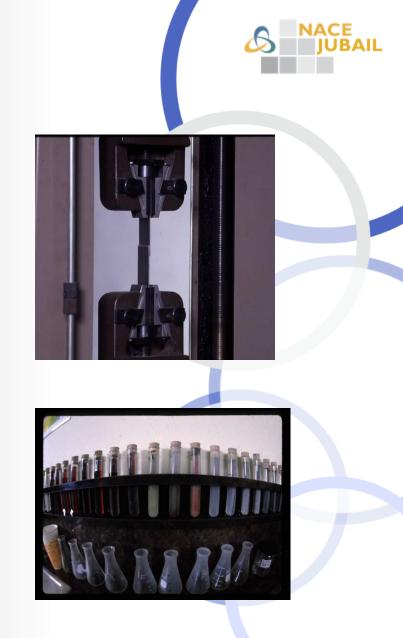
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Adhesion :

High levels of adhesion are required to resist the effects of osmosis a well as the forces exerted on the coating during decompression cycling.

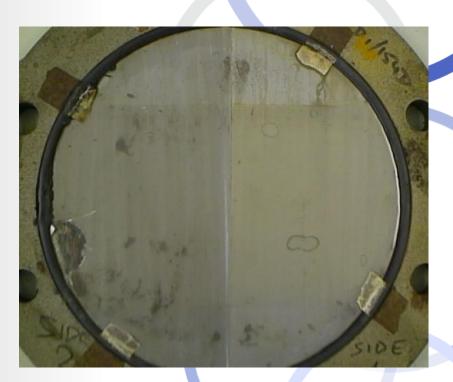
Chemical Resistance at Elevated Temperatures :

The ability of the coatings to resist attack from the service liquids is important to ensure long term performance



Summary

- Range of Coating systems available
- Sprayable using single or dual component heated airless spray
- Solvent free systems
- Immersion temperature resistance up to 150C and down to - 40C
- Resistant to explosive decompression
- Resistant to process fluids and well chemicals
- Suitable for sour gas service (H2S / CO2)



Independent Testing to Support Coating Performance Solvent-free Ceramic filled Epoxy Phenol Novolac 85°C 1 month 1160psi Statoil (Stabilised crude/produced water/methane/1% carbon dioxide) 80°C ELF 1200 hours 435psi (Water and Gas Mixture) 98°C 1305psi **Charter Coatings** 1 month (Gas condensate/methane/4% carbon dioxide/3% hydrogen sulphide) 85°C **Advantica** 300 hours 435psi (Stabilised crude/water/carbon dioxide)

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SACMET	600 hours	160°C	145psi
(Water/steam cycling)			
Advantica	300 hours	85°C	435psi
(Stabilised crude/wate	er/carbon dioxide)		

Spraying Capabilities and Specification

Typical Spray Set - Up

- Minimum 56:1 ratio pump
- Heated circulating water for spray lines at 60 70C
- Spray tip size 423-527
- Tip pressure 4300 psi
- Tip temperature approx 50C



Single Component Heated Airless Spray



Dual Component Heated Airless Spray



Equipment

New Construction Offshore
 Process Vessels

Location - Middle East

Material of - Carbon Steel Construction

Service Conditions - 80 to 110 C and pressures up to 60 bar.

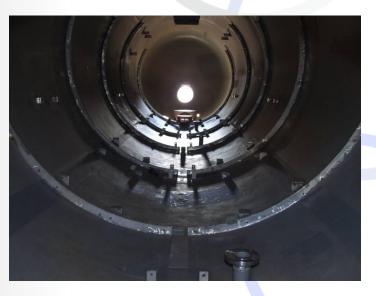
Coating System - 1521

Application Date - 20

- 2007

Specification - Grit blasting to SA 2.5 with a 75 micron profile after which coating was applied at a thickness of 850 microns.









- Equipment
- New Construction Offshore Process Vessels
- Location Middle East
- Material of Carbon Steel Construction
- Service Conditions 95 to 115 C and pressures up to 55 bar.
- Coating System 5891/1391S
- Application Date 2008

Specification - Grit blasting to SA 2.5 with a 75 micron profile after which coating was applied at a thickness of 850 microns in 2 coats





Equipment

- New Construction Offshore Process Vessels

Location - Indonesia

Material of - Carbon Steel Construction

Service Conditions - 60 to 95 C and pressures up to 25 bar.

Coating System - 1521

Application Date - 2008

Specification

- Grit blasting to SA 2.5 with a surface profile of 75 microns followed by the application of the coating at a thickness of 750 microns.







Equipment - Portable Methanol Storage Tanks

Location - Australia

Material of - Carbon Steel Construction

Service Conditions - Ambient Temperature (50C +)

Coating System - 5891

Application Date - 2004

Specification

 Grit blasting to SA 2.5 with a 75 micron profile after which coating was applied at a thickness of 600 microns





Equipment - Effluent Treatment Tank / Dearator

Location - C

- China

Material of - Carbon Steel / Concrete Construction

Service Conditions - Ambient Temperature 15 – 50C

Coating System - 5811

Application Date - 2005

Specification

 Grit blasting after which coating was applied at a thickness of 600 microns







Equipment - Chemical Treatment Tank

Location - Thailand

Material of - Carbon Steel Construction

Service Conditions - Ambient Temperature 55 – 80C

Coating System - 5891

Application Date - 2006

Specification

 Grit blasting after which coating was applied at a thickness of 600 microns









Summary

Development of these high temperature spray applied coating systems suitable for immersed service conditions at elevated temperatures has now been completed although there are still future opportunities to improve application characteristics as well as performance.



The range of products currently available is summarized as follows :

- Coating for immersion service conditions up to 50C (5811)
- Coating for immersion service conditions up to 95C (5891)
- Coating for immersion service conditions up to 120C (1391S)
- Coating for immersion service conditions up to 150C (1521)

Coating Characteristics

Sprayability

Suitable for application using single component of dual component heated airless spray systems.

Temperature Resistance

Immersion temperature resistance up to 150C in aqueous a and hydrocarbon service and resistant to steam out conditions at temperatures up to 210C

Chemical Resistance

Good resistance to hydrocarbons / aqueous solutions as well as amines (MEA / MDEA etc) used for the removal of acidic gases at elevated temperatures.

Limitations

- Not suitable for dry heat conditions where no moisture is present in the process
- Application thickness needs to be strictly controlled to avoid over-stressing the coating.

NOTE :

ANY COATING IS ONLY AS GOOD AS THE APPLICATORS APPLYING THE PRODUCTS AND THE INSPECTOR / SUPERVISOR CONTROLLING THE JOB



Application Controls and Training

• Fully documented procedures available

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Application Controls and Training

• Factory Training available for Coating Supervisors





Application Controls and Training

- On-Site Project Supervision and Inspection Services available from NACE level 1 to NACE Level 3 manufacturers personnel
- On-Site training available







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