# **Pipeline Coating Application**

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### **QUALITIES OF A PIPELINE COATING**

- Coating must possess excellent adhesion and cohesion to steel substrate
- Coating must have good dielectric strength
- Coating must be impervious to water absorption
- Coating must have good hardness characteristics and shear strength for HDD applications
- Coating must be compatible with other coatings



#### **Standard Surface Painting Council** (SSPC)

#### **Standards for Cleanliness**

- SSPC (SP1) Solvent Cleaning
- SSPC (SP2, 3) Hand-Tool, Power-Brush
- SSPC (SP-6) Commercial Blast
- SSPC (SP-7) Brush-Off Blast
- SSPC (SP-10) Near-White, White Sandblast
- SSPC (SP-12) Water Blast



### **TYPES OF FIELD COATINGS**

- Polyethylene/Butyl Cold-Applied Tape, Bitumen Hot-Applied Tape and Liquid Mastic
- Petrolatum/Wax Type Coatings w/ appropriate outer wraps
- Liquid Two-Part Epoxy (100% Solids)- Plural Component Spray and Brush-Applied Kits
- Coal-Tar Epoxies
- Powder Type Fusion-Bond Epoxy (Flocking in the Field)
- Heat-Shrink Sleeves (Tubular+ Split-Sleeve)

## **Basis For Coating Selection**

- Type of Install: New Construction vs. Maintenance of Operating Lines/
- Conditions: In-Service Lines (Sweaty Pipe, Cold Pipe/Temps., Discharge Lines, etc.), Underground vs. Above-Grade (UV)
- Degrees of Surface Preparation Available, SP #1,2,3, SP#6, SP#9,10 -(NACE 2)
- Type of Coating on Pipe Compatibility Issues
- Atmospheric Conditions During Application
- Type of New Installation of Pipeline (Bore vs. Direct Burial)
- Experience of Field Coating Crews with coating product (Pipeline Contractor vs. Company Crews)
- Supporting Data and Historical Experience with a particular coating system (pig-runs, surveys, DCVG, direct assessment techniques, etc.)







#### **Tools required for petrolatum/ wax tape application and surface preparation.**







Thin layer of paste primer applied to surface.





#### **Profiling Mastic used for irregular profiles.**





Protection of vault piping with petrolatum/ wax tape system.

























#### Fiberglass Water Activated Glass Outerwrap

#### Remove roll from hermetically sealed foil pouch.

Place roll in water for 20 to 30 seconds.

Spirally wrap with a 50% + overlap.



# Wind line area protected with petrolatum tape and a glass outerwrap.

















Grey wax/petrolatum tape -Applied on a pipeline span





**Cold-applied petrolatum/wax tape system Applied to ductile iron pipe and flanges.** 





















Primer being applied with a roller.



#### Hot-Applied Bitumen Tape 80 mil hot applied tape, excellent in cold temperatures and where extra hardness is required.










60 mil coldapplied tape used to repair and rehab existing pipeline.



#### Surface Preparation Grit blasted to SSPC SP-10 or NACE 2.





High Build 100% Solids Liquid Epoxy Coating Applied to girth weld at 25 - 30 mils.





#### 100% Solids Liquid Coating in Repair Cartridge Form Repairs to FBE, cadwelds, etc.



#### 100% Solids Liquid Spray-Applied Epoxy Coating -Applied with a plural component unit with 3:1 spray equipment.





**100% Solids Liquid Epoxy Coating - Bell hole rehab - before and after.** 



















 Settings cleaned and ready for coating application First application of Epoxy
Coating and Enamel Paint

All regulator bodies and bolts coated with enamel paint

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□All moveable parts coated with enamel paints

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## Damaged area

• Use a piece of Cardboard for mixing procedure

#### • 3 to 1 ratio

Clean tip after each use to prevent clogging

• Smallest Tube contains the hardener

 The larger Tube contains the Epoxy Resin

• Mix until a solid color is obtained

• Surface preparation – hand tool cleaning

• Apply Epoxy

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#### Moisture Area



# Valves and Flange

Profile Mastic is applied around the bolts, crevice and crack areas to block moisture or water from entering.

# Valves and Flanges

The petrolatum wax tape is used over the profile mastic.

## The valve side view of being exposed to the outside atmosphere.



## Side view of the valve after blasting corrosive and coating disbondment areas.



#### The valve at a side view, finished.




Questions, Comments or Compliments!



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