

VISCOTAQ® earns 'nine out of 10' rating from chemical plant

InduMar Products Inc.

InduMar Products Inc. has been providing leak repair solutions for 25 years to all markets where pipe leaks are a problem.

The company's VISCOTAQ® product line has been developed in cooperation with leading companies in the oil and gas industry and polymer engineering companies to meet the demand for coating technology with unique and better properties for corrosion control. The result is a product line that offers the pipeline, petrochemical, refining, power generation, water and other fluid and gas processing industries unrivaled technology.

"VISCOTAQ products are used for corrosion prevention at pipelines, storage tanks, soil-to-air transitions, above ground flanges, pipe crossings and in-the-ditch applications," said InduMar General Manager and Information Technology Manager Gary Lacy. "Furthermore, VISCOTAQ offers a unique waterproofing line to stop water infiltration at pipe casings, buildings, vaults, storm drains, sewer lines and more."

Lacy said VISCOTAQ's molecular chemistry is unique and designed in such a way that the viscosity gives it permanent wetting characteristics, forcing the viscoelastic polymer to flow into the pores and anomalies of the substrate.

"The elasticity of the product gives it the strength and feel of a solid," he said. "VISCOTAQ always remains in a semi-solid state that provides high impact durability and allows for a high resistance against shearing; it's self-healing. Ease of application and outstanding performance are what make VISCOTAQ an excellent technology for corrosion prevention. VISCOTAQ excels in offering corrosion protection across a wide range of operating environments, application geometries and surface material properties."

Douglas Reno, maintenance and reliability manager at Sekisui Specialty Chemicals America — Pasadena, Texas, polyvinyl alcohol plant, said he became aware of InduMar's unique product when a mechanical integrity expert recommended it because of its ability to seal the chime area of a tank. After further research, Reno said it became clear InduMar

was the right company for the job.

"They had a much better price and a unique product that would work, not to mention the ease of application of the VISCOTAQ product," Reno said. "InduMar came out and discussed the product with us and showed us how to apply it and use it. We used VISCOTAQ on 13 tank chimes to provide a moisture barrier and seal off the tank bottoms. Their product sold itself."

Reno said all 13 tanks were re-sealed in about a month, inclusive of removing the old, faulty material and surface prep for VISCOSEALANT. While some of the tanks took longer than others, he said the ones that were not insulated took only several hours, leaving him and his entire team very satisfied with the end result.

"InduMar's VISCOTAQ was a product that could easily be installed by anyone and at the lowest cost basis," he said.

Because of his positive experience with both the product and company, Reno said he would consult with InduMar again if the need arises and he will continue to use this application on all of his tank chimes.

"I would give InduMar a nine out of 10 as a rating for their product and support," Reno said. "InduMar's Gary Lacy and John Glass were very helpful and knowledgeable about their products and how to apply them."

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VISCOSEALANT, part of the VISCOTAQ® line of products, is a non-hardening, viscoelastic (caulk-like) compound for waterproofing and corrosion prevention. It provides a seal ring for tank chime corrosion prevention.



EZ WRAP, also part of InduMar's VISCOTAQ® line of products, is a unique product to seal tank chimes, roofing, air conditioning inlets and outlets. It is strengthened by a fiber mesh and having a white polyester nonwoven fiber top layer that allows for the immediate painting.

Corrosion issues can become a thing of the past with VISCOTAQ®



VISCOTAQ® products excel as anti-corrosive sealants because they are a synthetic viscous elastic solid. Their unique chemistry allows them to provide excellent adhesion based on van der Waals bonding principles, while being a solid with permanent wetting characteristics and eliminating disbondment.



VISCOTAQ products are used for corrosion prevention on pipelines, storage tanks, soil to air transitions, above ground flanges, pipe crossings and in the ditch applications. The VISCOTAQ lineup offers a unique waterproofing sealant to stop water infiltration at pipe casings, pipe protrusions, buildings, vaults, storm drains, sewer lines and more. VISCOTAQ products are manufactured in the USA under ISO 9001.

VISCOTAQ products have been tested extensively by independent laboratories and in the field trials.

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