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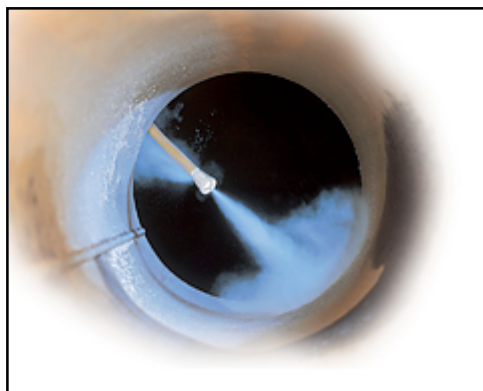
Attention: New Product Editor

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PRODUCT NEWS RELEASE

Powder Protects Post Tensioned Box Girder Bridges From Corrosive Attack.

A simple and cost saving product is now available to protect post tensioning in box girders of bridges from corrosive attack prior to grouting. Cortec® MCI®-309 Powder is fogged into the girders, which are then capped using conventional construction materials. Fast, simple and very cost effective. The post tensioning inside the girder is now protected against corrosive attack for up to 12 months. When further work occurs for grouting, the MCI®-309 does not need to be rinsed out, eliminating an entire process step that not only saves time and labor costs, but also means no additional water is introduced into the system.



Cortec® MCI®-309 Powder utilizes Cortec® Patented Anti-Corrosion Technology. Cortec® Patented Anti-Corrosion Technology has proven effective in Cortec® products used on many of the world's large construction projects such as the Alaskan and Siberian pipelines, the Pentagon, and the San Francisco Bay Bridge. MCI®-309 powder is easy to apply and provides superior protection to ferrous metals. MCI®-309 also meets MIL I-22110C and requires little or no surface preparation before application. The MCI® protective layer reaches all exposed interior spaces and ferrous metals including recessed sections and interior cavities. If the cap is temporarily removed, the protective layer is self-replenishing.

Fogging Cortec MCI®-309 Powder into girders provides immediate corrosion protection to the interior of box girders. No rinsing required before grouting.

Surfaces do not need to be cleaned or rinsed before grout placement. MCI®-309 Powder does not affect the physical properties of grout or concrete for set time, strength or appearance. For additional long-term corrosion protection, MCI®-2006 NS admixture can be mixed with the grout. In addition to protecting post tensioned box girders, the product can also be used for segmental concrete bridge tendons, tubular structures, pipes and other ferrous construction vessels and tanks. In addition to fogging, MCI®-309 Powder can be applied by dusting and sprinkling.

Photos: High-resolution photo of Cortec® MCI®-309 available for download at:
<http://www.blueleopard.net/cortecdownload/mci309>

Company Description: Cortec® Corporation, a pioneer in environmentally friendly packaging, metalworking, cleaning, water treatment and metal protection technologies, is located in White Bear Lake, Minnesota. ISO 9001-2000 and 14001 Certified, they manufacture over 300 products in five plants located in Minnesota and Wisconsin. Cortec is a global supplier of innovative and environmentally friendly specialty chemicals, plastics and coated papers.

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