CASE HISTORY

US Marine Corps “105” Trailer Refurbishment

DATE
November 2007

CUSTOMER
United States Marine Corps (USMC)

LOCATION
Lakewood, New Jersey

PRODUCT
VpCI™ CorrVerter®

CONTRACTOR
MILSPRAY

PROBLEM
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APPLICATION
The trailer was power washed to remove all dirt and loose rust. A needle scaler was used on the areas where the metal was completely rusted and gone. The vibration of the needle scaler helped to break loose any rust sandwiched between the two layers, as well as remove corrosion from the immediate area. Next, a grinder was used to remove all remaining surface rust that was accessible. The areas were vacuumed, blown off, and wiped down with alcohol. Cortec’s VpCI™ CorrVerter® was brushed on all heavily rusted areas, including the areas between the two layers of metal where the metal was peeled back. The trailer was then patched using 16 gauge steel and 1/8” steel rivets which were primed with a waterborne epoxy primer. The area around the patch was then primed and top-coated with a water based CARC.

CONCLUSION
Cortec’s VpCI™ CorrVerter® was the perfect choice to assist in the restoration of the trailer; providing an easy to apply, environmentally friendly option for the mitigation of existing corrosion and the prevention of further corrosion. Further, VpCI™ CorrVerter® did not require any special HAZMAT procedures that are so common with other rust mitigation processes.

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