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Humidity Testing for AFAB Corporation

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Background:

Shock shim parts were sent to Cortec for humidity testing to determine the difference in corrosion protection comparing plain polyethylene film to VpCI-126 film with and without VpCI-130 series foam. Customer has also provided shock shim parts that were coated with an unknown rust preventative product.

Samples Received:

The following samples were received on 2/16/15 in good condition:

- 1. Shock shim parts sealed in 4mil plain polyethylene film
- 2. Shock shim parts coated with unknown RP sealed in 4mil PE film
- 3. Shock shim parts sealed in 4mil VpCI-126 film
- 4. Shock shim parts and one square inch of VpCI-130 series foam sealed inside 4mil VpCI-126 film.

Method: ASTM D1748, Humidity Testing (120°F, 100% relative humidity)

Materials: Koehler humidity chamber

Procedure: The following procedure was followed for the humidity testing:

- 1. Shock shim parts were hung in the humidity chamber as provided by the customer.
- 2. Time to failure was recorded by the first appearance of corrosion.
- 3. After 1370 hours of testing, the parts were taken out of the humidity chamber and photographed.

Results:

Shock shim parts:	Time to failure
Sealed in 4mil plain polyethylene film (control)	150 hours
Coated with unknown RP and sealed in 4mil plain polyethylene film	Did not fail
Sealed in 4mil VpCI-126 film	Did not fail
Sealed in 4mil VpCI-126 film with one square inch of VpCI-130 foam	Did not fail

Interpretations:

After 1370 hours of humidity testing, only the shock shim parts sealed in plain polyethylene film (control test) showed any signs of corrosion. Shock shim parts sealed in VpCI-126 film with and without VpCI-130 foam provide excellent corrosion protection.

Photos after 1370 hours of Humidity Testing



Sealed in polyethylene film (control)



Coated with unknown RP and sealed in PE film



Sealed in VpCI-126 film



Sealed in VpCI-126 film with VpCI-130 foam