



4119 White Bear Parkway, St. Paul, MN 55110 USA Phone: (651) 429-1100, Fax: (651) 429-1122 Toll Free: (800) 4-CORTEC, E-mail: info@cortecvci.com • . cortecvci.com • corteclaboratories.com Evaluation of Metpro Film Compared to VpCI-126 Film . To: Customer . . From: Cortec Laboratories, Inc. . 4119 White Bear Parkway St. Paul, MN 55110 **Boris Miksic** CC: . • **Cliff Cracauer** Robert Kean . Mike Gabor 0 Jay Zhang Project #: 18-188-1125.bis . . . Brian Benduly . 0 **Results reported by:** 0 Brian Benduha 0 Lab Technician 0 0 0 0 0 Approved by: • 0 . . Robert I Kean . 0 0 Robert T. Kean, Ph.D. Laboratory Director 0 6 



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- **Background**: The customer located in Mexico, had previously been using a Metpro VCI bag, but has recently switched to VpCI-126 film and BioPad to ship parts to Tesla in California. This report will evaluate the corrosion protection of the Metpro film compared to VpCI-126 film to reinforce customer's decision to switch to Cortec's film.
- Sample Received: Blue Metpro film, 4mils, received on 9/19/18 in good condition.

Method: FTIR Analysis, CC-006 Razor Blade Test, CC-004\* NACE Standard VIA Test, TM0208-2008, item No. 21253\* \*The tests marked are not covered under Cortec Laboratories, Inc. ISO 17025 Scope of Accreditation

- Materials:VIA test kit (testing jars/apparatus, steel plugs, 400grit sandpaper)<br/>VpCI-126 film, 4mil (batch #510220)<br/>Carbon Steel panels, SAE 1010 (for razor blade testing)<br/>Copper panels (for razor blade testing)<br/>Glycerol (lot #Q10A018)<br/>Methanol, ACS grade (lot #071417B)
- **Procedure**: For VIA testing, the procedure was followed according to NACE VIA Test, TM0208-2008 option 2 (option 2 uses machine-aided grinding and polishing for the steel plugs).
  - Note- the VIA tests were conducted using two strips of sample per jar (1" X 6" per strip)
  - The FTIR analysis and razor blade testing was followed according to standard procedure.
- **Results**: The following results were found:

## Razor Blade Test- Carbon Steel Panels

Sample	Panel #1	Panel #2	Panel #3	End Result
Metpro Film	Fail	Fail	Fail	Fail
VpCI-126 Film*	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Control	Fail	-	-	Fail

## **Razor Blade Test- Copper Panels**

Sample	Panel #1	Panel #2	Panel #3	End Result
Metpro Film	Fail	Fail	Fail	Fail
VpCI-126 Film*	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Control	Fail	-	-	Fail

## **NACE VIA Test**

Sample	Plug #1	Plug #2	Plug #3	End Result			
Metpro Film	Grade 1	Grade 1	Grade 0	Fail			
VpCI-126 Film*	Grade 3	Grade 3	Grade 2	Pass			
Control	Grade 0	-	-	Fail			

\*Note- The results for VpCI-126 film used in this report was previously tested (from 16-083-1125)

## Photo from the NACE VIA test:

Control #1

Control #2

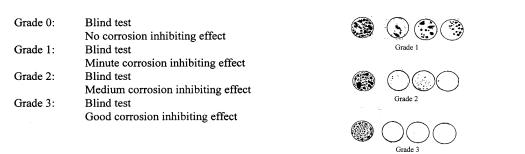


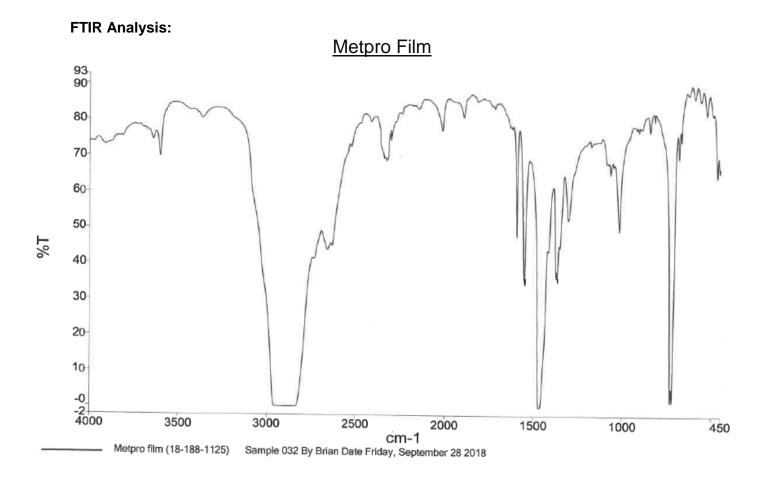
VIA Test Grades (Grade 2 or 3 are passing) All three plugs must be grade 2 or better to pass the test Grade 0

Plug#1

Plug #2

Plug #3





Interpretations: The Metpro film previously used by the customer does not provide sufficient corrosion protection to pass the VIA or razor blade tests. Cortec's VpCI-126 film provides excellent corrosion protection in both the vapor phase and contact phase.