TANK EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE

SYSTEM

Industrial and coastal atmospheric exposure High solids epoxy/polyurethane system

4148

a three page issue

September 2005 revision of 5-2000

EXPOSURE CONDITIONS:

INDUSTRIAL: Conditions of high humidity, ultraviolet radiation and chemical pollution will accelerate the corrosion process and require consideration regarding increased acidic fall out. The principal effect is corrosion due to sulphur dioxide attack and this environment is characterised by an average sulphur dioxide content of more than 10 µg per m³ air.

COASTAL: Conditions of high humidity, ultraviolet radiation and salt spray will accelerate the corrosion process, aggravated by wind borne particles. This environment is characterised by a salt content in rain water of more than 12 mg per litre rain.

SPECIFICATION 1:

surface tolerant high solids epoxy polyurethane maintenance system for

intact areas and spot repair

compatible with

alkyd, epoxy, polyurethane paint

not on top of

chlorinated rubber and vinyl paint

suitable for

steel, galvanised steel and aluminium

pretreatment

high pressure water cleaning to remove loose coating and

contamination

intact areas; to be roughened e.g. sand papering or sweepblasting

damaged and corroded areas;

- steel; derusted to ISO-Sa2 or SPSS-Pt2 and primed

 galvanised steel and aluminium; to be roughened, by sand papering or sweep blasting surface shall be dry and free from any contamination and primed with e.g. Sigmacover 280 in a

dft of 75 µm/3 mils

paint system SigmaCover 630 Alu

SigmaCover 630 Alu 75 μ m/3.0 mils SigmaDur 580 75 μ m/3.0 mils

note SigmaDur 580 can be replaced by SigmaDur 1800

SIGMA COATINGS

TANK EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE

SYSTEM

Industrial and coastal atmospheric exposure High solids epoxy/polyurethane system

4148

September 2005

SPECIFICATION 2: recoatable epoxy/polyurethane system for total repair

suitable for steel, galvanised steel and aluminium

pretreatment – high pressure water cleaning to remove old coating system

(if applicable) completely

corroded areas;

steel; derusted to ISO-Sa2 or SPSS-Pt2 and primed

 galvanised steel and aluminium; to be roughened by e.g. sand papering or sweep blasting, surface shall be dry and free from any contamination and primed with e.g. Sigmacover 280 in a dft

of 75 µm/3 mils

paint system SigmaCover 630 Alu 75 µm/3.0 mils

SigmaCover 630 75 μ m/3.0 mils SigmaDur 580 75 μ m/2.0 mils

notes – a galvanised steel or aluminium substrate should be primed with

SigmaCover 280 instead of SigmaCover 630 Alu

SigmaDur 580 can be replaced by SigmaDur 1800

GENERAL APPLICATION ASPECTS:

The life of any protective system is determined by the dry film thickness of the anticorrosive coating system present on weldseams, sharp edges, bolts and nuts, these being the critical 20% of the surface area where breakdown begins.

All critical areas should be given extra stripe coats with the same material as the consecutive coat of the system to achieve the specified dry film thickness.

Giving more attention to these areas will extend the life of the maintenance system.

The following parameters can be used.

For hand laid welds: Beads with a surface irregularity exceeding 3 mm or with sharp crests having a radius under 2 mm should be ground.

For sharp edges: All edges to be rounded off with a grinder to a radius of 2 mm or more.

For pitting: Pitting in excess of 2 mm in depth and under 5 mm in diameter should be filled by welding or by use of an epoxy filler.

TANK EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE

SYSTEM

Industrial and coastal atmospheric exposure High solids epoxy/polyurethane system

4148

September 2005

REFERENCES

SigmaCover 280	see product data sheet 7417
SigmaCover 630 Alu	see product data sheet 7430
SigmaCover 630	see product data sheet 7430
SigmaDur 580	see product data sheet 7530
SigmaDur 1800	see product data sheet 7529
Cleaning of steel and removal of rust	see information sheet 1490
Tools for maintenance management	see information sheet 4007

Limitation of Liability - The information in this data sheet is based upon laboratory tests we believe to be accurate and is intended for guidance only. All recommendations or suggestions relating to the use of the products made by Sigma Coatings, whether in technical documentation, or in response to a specific enquiry, or otherwise, are based on data which to the best of our knowledge are reliable. The products and information are designed for users having the requisite knowledge and industrial skills and it is the end-user's responsibility to determine the suitability of the product for its intended use.

Sigma Coatings has no control over either the quality or condition of the substrate, or the many factors affecting the use and application of the product. Sigma Coatings does therefore not accept any liability arising from loss, injury or damage resulting from such use or the contents of this data sheet (unless there are written agreements stating otherwise).

The data contained herein are liable to modification as a result of practical experience and continuous product development. This data sheet replaces and annuls all previous issues and it is therefore the user's responsibility to ensure that this sheet is current prior to using the product.