AWWA Conference Slated for Chicago

he American Water Works Association (AWWA) will hold its Annual Conference and Exposition, ACE10, at

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The annual Water Industry Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, June 22, from noon to 2:00. Other special events include pipe tapping and meter madness contests and demonstrations for operators and poster sessions, a meet-and-greet reception, and a universities forum for young professionals.

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Cavallo Receives ASTM Award of Merit

on R. Cavallo, P.E., senior consultant and corporate corrosion and coatings specialist at Enercon Services Inc. (Tulsa,

OK), has received the ASTM Award of Merit and accompanying title of fellow from ASTM International Committee D33 on Protective Coating and Lining Work for Power Generation Facilities. The Award of Merit is the highest organizational recognition for individual contributions to ASTM standard activities.

Cavallo has been a member of ASTM since 1981 and recently completed a 6-year term as chairman of Committee D33. He currently chairs Subcommittee

D33.02 on Service and Material Parameters and leads several D33 task groups. Cavallo co-authored ASTM Manual 8, Manual on Maintenance Coatings for Nuclear Power Plants, and serves as a liaison between Committee D33 and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commissions. He has been honored with the Award of Appreciation twice by Committee D33, in 1992 and 2001.



Jon R. Cavello

Cavallo started his career in the U.S. Naval Nuclear Power Program as a certified nuclear submarine engineering watch super-

visor. He has also served in technical engineering and managerial positions and has provided corrosion mitigation professional engineering services in surface preparation, protective coatings, and linings. He is a registered professional engineer in three states, an SSPC Protective Coatings Specialist, and a NACE International CIP Level III coating inspector with nuclear facilities endorsement. Cavallo is a member of SSPC, NACE, ASME, and the National Society of Professional Engineers. He has writ-

ten several articles for JPCL.

Cavallo will present the Nuclear Coatings Systems webinar as part of the SSPC/JPCL Webinar Series: Education and Training in Protective Coatings. The Nuclear Coatings Systems webinar will take place on Wednesday, July 21, at 11:00 a.m. EST. For more information or to register, visit www.paintsquare.com/education.

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Hanson Buys Visuron

he Hanson Group LLC (Alpharetta, Ga.) has announced that it acquired polyurea-maker Visuron Technologies, Inc. of Bay City, Mich.

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Blastrac Promotes Rippman, Rob

lastrac NA announced the promotions of John Rippman to national sales manager and training director and Paul Robb to engineering manager.

Rippman has 23 years of experience in surface preparation methods and technologies. He was a field service engineer for nine years, a regional manager for another nine years, and a Blastrac national training director for the past five years. Rippman created the company's Surface Preparation Academic Resource



Paul Robb

Center training classes. As national sales manager, he will work closely with regional sales man-



Jonn Rippman

agers and distributors in the development of new territories, the company said.

Robb has nearly 10 years of experience with Blastrac and is certified as an SSPC Concrete Coatings Inspector. He is trained and authorized to operate the full Blastract product line. His

new responsibilities will include leading research and development efforts, implementing global designs, managing design/drafting, managing quality control personnel and processes, and more.

Rich Schutt

AAA Painting Names Product Specialist

ich Schutt has joined AAA Painting Contractors Inc., Wheaton, III., as a commercial/industrial product specialist, with responsibility for development of customer relationships as the company works to expand sales in the commercial and industrial marketplace.

Schutt has 15 years of experience in sales and management positions with J.C. Licht and Benjamin Moore & Company, with responsibility for multimillion-dollar territories and accounts. In addition to expertise in floor coatings, he is an SSPC member and NACE-certified.

Getting the Right Profile on Weathering Steel

A specification for a bridge to be built of high-performance weathering steel (HPS GR50/GR70W) requires an SSPC-SP 10, a profile of 3–5 mils, and metallizing with a final dft of 10–12 mils. What challenges, time, and costs are associated with obtaining the profile, primarily in the shop but also in the field? Are there any long-term performance issues with metallizing over weathering steel?

Chuck Pease PCG

It can be very difficult and costly to achieve a 3-5 mil blast profile on weathering steel because it has an inherent surface hardness greater than conventional carbon steel. It can therefore take 30-40% more hours of labor to achieve a 3-5 mil profile.

Weathering steel construction plays a

part because a typical weathering steel bridge girder is unique in design to minimize the accumulation of debris and moisture. We could not achieve a 3–5 mil profile using even G25 steel grit with a 40–50 Rockwell C hardness while meeting an SSPC-SP 10 degree of cleanliness. The best we could come up with was 1.75 mils. We were finally able to achieve an average of 4.2 mils

using a mixture of G18/G16 steel grit.

We were able to convince the DOT to allow a more aggressive profile as a better anchor profile for the subsequent metallizing.

As for long-term performance issues with metallizing over weathering steel, I am not aware of any to date. In specifying weathering steel for structures to be metallized, the specifier should take care not to include stitch welds; stiffener connections to bottom flanges should be specified to be continuous welds all along the stiffeners, and snipes should be eliminated or continously welded to the webs.

Other areas of concern for long-term metallizing performance would be to eliminate areas that will hold water or conden-

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sation for long periods of time, because crevice corrosion can develop and the oxide coating found on typical weathering steel will not develop on surfaces that are continually wet or covered with debris.

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The Case of The Mysterious Cracking Coating

By James D. Machen, Senior Coatings Consultant, KTA-Tator, Inc. Richard Burgess, KTA-Tator, Inc., Series Editor

f you've ever read a mystery novel or have been to a mystery dinner theater, you know that solving the mystery often involves putting all the pieces of the puzzle together to find the culprit. While the characters and schemes that evolve may not be as elaborate or intertwined as a mystery writer can make them, coating failures often present a mystery that needs to be solved. This was the case when a series of fine hairline, radiating cracks suddenly appeared in the newly-painted interior surfaces of an industrial research building during the construction phase.

Background

The nature of the scientific research being conducted at the new industrial

research facility under construction demanded that the research rooms, or "clean rooms," be environmentally controlled such that specific ambient conditions and a dust-free atmosphere be maintained. A part of these controls included a system that could pressurize/depressurize the rooms to prevent the entry of outside air as needed.

The interior corridors of the facility and the clean room walls were constructed of a pre-fabricated cement wallboard. The wallboard was supplied in 4-inch x 8-inch and 4-inch x 12-inch sheets, approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ inches in thickness. The wallboard composition consisted of cement, aggregate-like additives, and other fillers. The cement board was attached to the metal wall and ceiling studs using special screws,

similar to the installation method used for gypsum drywall in commercial and residential applications. Prior to coating, all joint areas between the wall-boards were bridged with a fiberglass-like joint tape, and the joints were filled flush with the surrounding wallboard surface using a joint-filling compound. This process was also similar to that used to finish gypsum drywall.

After completion of taping and joint filling, the painting specification required that a four-coat paint system be applied. The coating system is shown in Table 1.

The cement wallboard was installed in the mid- to late-summer, and painting was completed in mid- to late-November.

After construction-phase testing of

Table 1

Coat	Generic	Dry Film
	Product Type	Thickness
1st Coat:	Acrylic Cement Filled Surfacer	13.0 to 25.0 mils
2nd Coat:	Acrylic Primer	1.0 to 2.0 mils
3rd Coat:	Polyamide Epoxy	2.5 to 3.0 mils
4th Coat:	Polyamide Epoxy	2.5 to 3.0 mils
	Total DFT	19.0 to 33.0 mils

the special environmental control systems (a series of pressurizing and depressurizing operations), cracks were observed along horizontal and vertical joint areas between wallboard panels. In addition, fine spiderweb-like cracks also radiated over the plane surfaces of the wallboards. Conversely, no cracks were apparent in the connecting corridor walls. At that time, a repair procedure was initiated to fill the cracks along the horizontal and vertical joints and then

apply an additional coat of paint in an attempt to bridge the fine cracks that had formed on the plane of the wall-board. Because the cracking on the plane of the wallboard was so fine, project personnel believed that cracks were a surface phenomenon only in the epoxy finish coat layer.

After refilling and repainting, virtually all of the cracks reappeared. Site construction personnel identified and monitored the cracks in some of the rooms for informational purposes. The monitoring revealed that the existing cracks grew and new cracks developed.

A consulting firm specializing in coating failure analysis was contacted to determine the cause of cracking and offer repair recommendations.

Field Investigation

The coatings consultant visited the research facility construction site and inspected representative cracking on walls in multiple clean rooms and also observed the non-cracked walls in the connecting corridors. In addition, an area with bare cement wallboard, in which the wall joints had been

finished but not yet painted, was available for observation.

The following inspections were performed by the coatings consultant.

Visual Observations

A visual inspection was used to characterize the location, size, and extent of the cracking problem.

The interior walls of the clean rooms all displayed various concentrations of

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fine hairline, spiderweb-like radiating cracks in the coating system, which spanned the surface of the wallboard. Wider cracks were often present on the vertical, and sometimes horizontal, joints between individual wallboard panels. In some instances, the blade of a utility knife could actually be insert-

ed into the wider vertical joint cracks.

Inspection of the corridor walls revealed no evidence of cracking.

In one corridor there was an access panel in the wall for electrical equipment. The access panel was removed, revealing that the interior, unpainted backside of the cement wallboard had a series of fine hairline cracks present; however, the cracks were not visible on the painted corridor side of the sample.

An inspection of a section of cement wallboard area that had not yet been painted was also performed. The inspection revealed that a series of fine hairline cracks in the unpainted, bare wallboard surface. Where the wallboard could be inspected on the front and back sides, the cracks penetrated the wallboard, indicating that the cracks existed in the wallboard before it was painted. In fact, on many areas of the unpainted wallboard where joint filling compound had been applied between sections, hairline cracks were already visible.

Adhesion

Adhesion was assessed by

subjectively probing the coating with the blade of a utility knife and was rated based on the amount of force required to detach the coating from the surface with the tip of the knife. In all instances, coating adhesion was rated as good, indicating that there was no evidence that the hairline cracks in the coating system had any adverse effect on adhesion.

Coating Samples

A battery-operated drill with an attached hole saw was used to remove multiple core samples from various locations.

Areas of fine hairline cracking on the plane of the wallboard and cracks at the joints between wallboard panels were sam-

pled. Many of the samples came from areas where vertical and horizontal cracks intersected on the plane of the wallboard. Upon removing the core sample, the identical pattern of cracking was visible on the sides and back of the samples and on the sides of the cut-out hole in the wallboard panel.

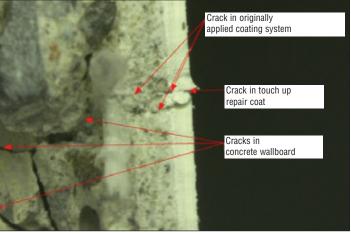


Figure 1

Construction joint between concrete wallboard Joint filler compound Joint tape Crack through joint filler and coating system

Figure 2



Figure 3

Laboratory Investigation

A visual assessment and a microscopic examination of the surface of the coating were performed on all core samples. As can be seen in Figures 1–3, the cracking was confirmed to originate in the cement wallboard layer and then radiated through the applied coating system.

Figure 1 shows a cross-section of a core sample of concrete wallboard, taken at the intersecting horizontal and vertical cracks in the coating system. The pattern of hairline cracks in the photograph shows how cracks originating in the concrete wallboard penetrated through the coating layers, even with additional layers of epoxy finish coat that were applied in an attempt to repair the cracks.

Figure 2 shows a cross-section of a core sample taken

from a horizontal construction joint between two concrete panels. The pattern of cracking shows that the crack emanated from the construction joint that had been filled with joint compound and joint reinforcing tape. The crack then penetrated the coating system.

Figure 3 shows a core sample taken from the back side of the

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concrete wallboard located within an access panel in the connecting corridors between clean rooms. The uncoated backside of the concrete wallboard on the interior of the access area showed cracking; however, the cracking did not penetrate to the coating system on the corridor side of the wallboard. Closer examination of the crack in the cement wallboard revealed the crack actually ended within the concrete wallboard and did not penetrate the coating system.

Conclusions

Information obtained during the site visit and the subsequent laboratory analysis of coating samples indicated that the fine vertical and horizontal cracks visible in the coating system were a continuation of cracks originating in the underlying cement wallboard. In some instances, the cracks were a continuation of cracks in the joint filling compound between individual wallboard panels.

Cracking was most evident on the interior walls, while the corridors outside of the rooms were virtually free of cracking. It was reported that the cracking problem was noticed and became more pronounced while the building's environmental control system was being tested, which caused movement or flexing of the walls. The corridor outside of the rooms was not exposed to the same environmental control variables (i.e.,

pressurizing/depressurizing) as the rooms. As the movement occurred, existing cracks expanded. The expansion of the cracks in the wallboard also created stress within cement-filled acrylic surfacer and epoxy finish coat layers, which were inherently rigid. Therefore, they did not have the physical capability to expand or flex with the substrate movement and, as a result, cracked to relieve the internal stress.

Repair Recommendations

Obviously a coating system with sufficient ability to expand and contract with the cement wallboard was needed. Because the walls of the clean rooms required frequent washing, the recommended coating system must be capable of withstanding cleaning. It was determined that a new technology, high-performance, waterborne acrylic coating would be a viable candidate for the repair work because this coating would be capable of bridging the fine cracks in the coating system and have sufficient flexibility to expand with any substrate movement without cracking. The larger cracks at vertical joints between individual wallboard panels could be repaired with a flexible filler or a flexible caulking material.

However, one more obstacle had to be addressed before **Continued**

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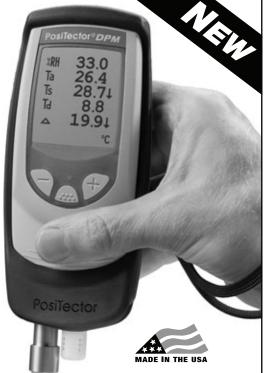
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wholesale repaint work could be accomplished. The coating system had to be able to adhere adequately to the existing epoxy finish coat. Applying additional coats over the existing epoxy finishes can be challenging because epoxy finishes have hard, smooth, and slick surfaces. Because of these physical attributes, special steps (i.e., scarifying the surface or applying specially-formulated products) to promote adhesion of the new coating layers are often necessary when painting over existing layers. With this in mind, it was recommended that one of the clean rooms be selected as a test mock-up room.

The following options were investigated for a test mock-up room:

- Option 1—Surface Preparation: Superficial scarification of the entire wall surface with finely graded abrasive sand-paper followed by dusting/vacuuming to remove all dust and debris. Recoating System: Application of one or two coats of a high-performance acrylic coating.
- Option 2—Surface Preparation: Water washing or dusting of the entire surface to remove all dust and debris. Recoating System: Application of one or two coats of a high-performance acrylic coating.
- Option 3—Surface Preparation: Water washing or dusting of the entire surface to remove all dust and debris. Recoating System: Application of one coat of special acrylic bonding primer followed by one or two coats of a high-performance acrylic coating.

Once the recoating systems had been applied and proper curing was achieved, the mock-up room was pressurized/depressurized, cleaned, and sterilized to mimic actual in-service conditions. Following this process, the vari-



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ous test walls were inspected and evaluated. Evaluation included a thorough visual inspection and simple protocol of adhesion test measurements performed in accordance with ASTM D 3359, Measurement of Adhesion by Tape Test.

The results of the testing clearly showed that best adhesion results were achieved with Option 1. Once the cause of the

cracking problem had been identified and candidate coating repair options had been thoroughly tested, repainting of the facility was successful. More importantly, the cracking problem was solved simply and inexpensively by using additional coats of a flexible, high-performance acrylic coating instead of replacing the entire coating system or the cement wallboards.



Coating on Thames Barrier Assessed after 25 Years

Ship collision gives water jetting roles in environmental protection, Barrier coating repair, inspection.

By Martin Earlam, UK Environment Agency

he River Thames is tidal and has a history of flooding under certain conditions of high spring tides and storm surges from the North Sea. After major

flooding in 1953, it was decided that there needed to be improvement in the flood defenses London, and the result the **Thames** was Barrier, one of the largest movable flood barriers in the world. It spans 520 metres of the Thames near Woolwich, protecting 125 square kilometers of central London from flooding caused by tidal surges.

Numerous locations and various designs

were carefully considered for the Thames Barrier site. The design was selected in 1972, and the work began in 1975. Up



Fig. 1: Queen Elizabeth II officially opening the Thames Barrier in 1984, which had become operational in 1982 All photos courtesy of the author

the steel gates was thus of great concern, and an extensive investigation and evaluation of possible protective coating systems began in 1972 to ascertain the optimum coating system to protect the gates for, if possible, at least 25 years before any major maintenance of the coatings would be required. This challenge was daunting in for a figure of more than double that.

flooding of London, when required. Corrosion prevention of

to 2,000 contractors erected the now-famous structure,

which became operational in 1982 and was officially opened by the Queen in 1984. The design comprised 10 steel gates,

four of which, for the

main navigation sec-

tions are 61 meters wide, and the other six

All of the gates were

constructed of steel,

and in normal opera-

tion, the large main

gates (each weighing

3,300 tonnes), and two

of the smaller ones,

under

riverbed, being raised

wall" across the river

to hold back the high

tide and prevent the

through degrees to form a "steel

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rest

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are 31 meters wide.

tective coating system, and the results after 25 years in service. An unplanned maintenance repaint of one of the gates is also highlighted as are the roles that high pressure waterjetting played in maintenance and inspec-

the 1970s because then, the life of even 5-coat systems was only 7 to 12 years, and the designers were looking This article describes the initial selection of the protion of the coating systems.

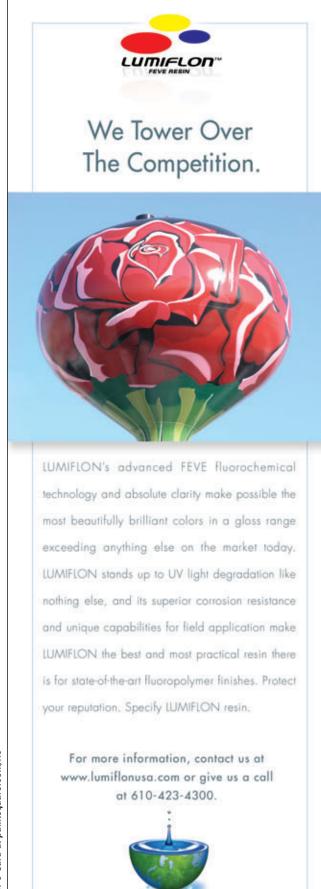


Fig. 2: Overhead view of the Thames Barrier

Editor's Note: This article is based on a presentation given at the UK Institute of Corrosion's 50th anniversary event, May 21, 2009.

Protective Coating Requirements

The requirements and conditions set for the coatings to Continued



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be assessed were:

- minimum 25-year coating design life;
- resistance to Thames water, which at the time was polluted and therefore very corrosive;
- protection against abrasion from gravel and slurry movement;
- resistance to impact damage from vessels and floating debris:
- · excellent adhesion;
- resistance of the coating to cathodic disbondment, needed because sacrificial cathodic protection would be used to protect minor areas of mechanical damage;
- very low permeability to water due to the long periods of immersion; and
- good edge protection of the steel cross-bracings and stiffeners.

The History of the Coating Selection

The coating selection trials started in mid-1972. Initially, 34 coating systems were included after researching the various options available and their track record on similar steel structures, not only in the UK, but also in mainland Europe and North America. The 34 systems were refined to 7 possible generic coating systems 1976:

- high-build chlorinated rubbers (5 coats);
- high-build aluminium/bitumen (4 coats);
- epoxy coatings, pigmented with MIO (4 coats);
- inorganic zinc silicates/epoxy topcoat (4 coats);
- thermal metal spray and epoxy/polyurethane coat (4 coats);
- · coal tar epoxies (3 coats); and
- hot-applied, solvent-free epoxy (1 coat).

Testing of the Coatings

The initial 34 generic coatings systems were applied in triplicate, to a series of 12 in. x 15 in. abrasive blasted mild steel panels, some of which had double bead welds placed across one face of the panel to evaluate the effectiveness of the coating for weld protection. Other test panels were scribed with a knife to evaluate the spread of corrosion under the film. The test panels used in the temperature-weathering test had center strips abrasive blasted before being thoroughly rusted in Thames River water to simulate site damage. The damaged strips were then abraded using dry blasting and water abrasion before being re-painted, cured for seven days, and then immersed for an initial 4 weeks and another 22 weeks with pull-off adhesion tests after each period.

The panels were immersed at a 45-degree angle at the half tide level, so that they were alternately immersed and dried at the Woolwich Ferry jetty on a specially designed exposure rack, and were examined at regular intervals up to 1977,

Fig. 3: Exposure rack at Woolwich jetty in 1978.

when the final decision and specification were made.

In addition to the natural exposure of the panels River the Thames, a series of accelerated tests.

designed to evaluate the conditions likely to be encountered by the various coating systems, were carried out. This initial testing regime comprised accelerated testing in weathering cabinets and salt spray cabinets; tests for cathodic disbondment, adhesion, cohesion, and blistering; and specially designed tests for erosion and impact damage with falling graded wet gravel.

In 1976, the 34 coating systems on test were short listed to 9, and the final selection in 1977 was the hot-applied, solventfree (HASF) epoxy. Three manufacturers had supplied this generic system and all three brands of the system performed well in all tests carried out. The coating was rated far better than the coal tar epoxies and the combined metal spray coat-

ing/paint systems. In particular, the **HASF** coatings held out very well with a thick coating on edges, corners, welds, and fixings. The contractor appointed for the fabrication of the Barrier gates selected the coating supplier for the HASF epoxy.

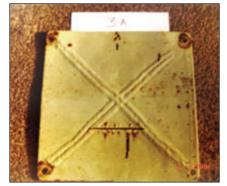


Fig. 4: High-build HASF panel after 5 years' exposure

The final specification was

• Internal Leaf Coatings—one coat (HASF) epoxy, 500 micron dft

External—one extra coat, anti-scour coal tar epoxy, 250

Internal Arm Coatings—one coat (HASF) epoxy, 500 micron

External—one coat coal tar epoxy (anti-scour), 500 micron

Original Surface Prep and Coating

The gates were dry abrasive blasted to SA 3 SIS 05900; then, welds and edges were stripe coated. The HASF epoxy, in a grey-green color, was applied by plural-component spray at

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500 microns dft. To give a sense of scale to the main gates, 40 tons of paint were applied to each.

All of the painting was carried out under controlled temperature and humidity conditions. Internal work involved forced ventilation of hot air into the structure; external surfaces involved the protection of temporary shelters erected to protect the entire gate arm or leaf and the deployment of similar heating equipment. With the shelter for a 61-meter gate leaf having to cover a ground area of 21 m by 61 m, the programming and progress of the painting work depended partially on the contractor's ability to provide shelter on the necessary scale.

Application of paint inside a 61-meter gate leaf accorded with the following tasks:

- 1. Screen off the corridor into half (3-meter) lengths and apply the ventilation equipment.
- 2. Shot blast the entire half corridor (approximately 1,000 m²) to SA3 using G24 steel shot. Shot blasting took between 10 and 14 days, blasting by day and recovering shot by night.
- 3. Sweep blast entire surface and vacuum thoroughly.
- 4. Immediately brush-apply a stripe coat of solvent free epoxy, coldapplied to the welds only.
- 5. Hot spray the solvent-free epoxy to 500 microns in one coat over all surfaces.
- Brush-apply the solvent-free epoxy (cold-applied) to areas inaccessible to spray (e.g., behind stiffeners) to a DFT of 500 microns.

Painting operations 3, 4, and 5 were carried out as a continuous operation on one shift over a period of about 15 hours.

Work on the external gate leaf surfaces followed the same sequence, though with a further coat of 250 microns of an anti-scour coal tar epoxy to bring the total specified thickness up

to 750 microns. This second coat and the coal tar epoxy on the external surfaces of the gate arms were applied by conventional airless spray equipment. The coal tar epoxy was applied immediately after the sweep blast as a "holding" coat before a stripe coat and then three further full coats of coal tar epoxy were applied with a day between each coat to bring the DFT up to the specified 500 microns.

MU Sand Kite



Fig. 5: Sand Kite accident

In October 1997, a dredger, the MV Sand Kite, collided with one of the piers. The vessel was damaged, dumped its load of sand and aggregate, then sank on top of one of the main navigation gates of the Barrier, where it sat for six days, damaging the protective coating. The Environment Agency required that the damaged gate not be taken out of service while repairs were being made, and that it remain closable within a six-hour notice period. In addition, the Agency required that the surface preparation work before renewing the damaged coating, cause no environmental pollution. Coupled with these constraints, the twice-daily 6.5 meter tides and the heavily travelled river created a challenging situation for repairs to be carried out.

Under the circumstances, the use of scaffolding and stationary containment was not feasible; the Agency turned to relatively new process, UHP water jetting using a remotely controlled unit that could be attached to the gates by

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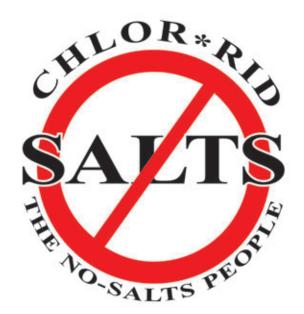
Fig. 6: UHP water jetting crawler on gate during repair work.

vacuum. This equipment alleviated the problem of access to the gate during cleaning, and vacuum recovery of removed paint and spent water permitted an environmentally friendly process. Paint and corrosion products were removed to bare metal to expose the original SA3 profile with no detectable soluble salts. The water jetting system consisted of a UHP pump, a vacuum skid, the crawler unit, filtration system, air compressor, 440-volt generator, and support equipment. A hose connected the crawler unit to the remote vacuum skid provided up to 650 mbar of vacuum to maintain the unit's attachment to the gate surface and remove the wastewater and paint debris, which was pumped from a separator tank to the filtration system and holding tanks. All this equipment, plus two 5,000 gallon tanks for fresh and effluent water storage and painting equipment and materials were situated on a barge moored adjacent to the damaged gate.

With the gate in the vertical position (closed), the crawler cleaned the upper portion of the surface above the low-tide line. After the top section had been cleaned and painted, the gate was placed in the overhead (maintenance) position and the rest of the gate was cleaned and painted in this position.

Surface preparation in both gate positions was coordinated to be done on the outgoing tides down to the low-tide

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waterline. Recoating with a 2-pack high solids epoxy was done on the next incoming tide. The vertical position allowed the painter access to the area to be coated from the barge deck, and a small man-lift placed on the barge allowed him to reach the gate in the overhead position.

Throughout, and at the end of the

contract, the equipment fully met the constraints of never disabling the gate from being closed in less than six hours and operated with absolute minimal environmental pollution, and proved the technique as being a viable solution for the maintenance of the coatings on the large flat areas of the gates.

In addition, the original specification

called for the repair coating to last two years, but because of the high quality of surface preparation provided by the UHP equipment, the coating did not have to be renewed until 2006, after giving eight years' protection.

Coating Inspection

Over the past 25 years in service, adhoc inspections of the coating at approximately 5 yearly intervals were carried out by paint consultants and the owner of the Barrier, now the UK Environment Agency (EA), which also undertook annual visual checks.

These spot checks and inspections showed that the coating, apart from minor areas of mechanical damage, was performing as predicted; however, toward the end of the first 25 years, the EA set up a major evaluation program to determine if the coating, with a projected life of 25 years, was nearing the end of its life or, if not, the estimated future duration likely to be achieved.

25-Year Testing Program

The initial 25-year testing program was carried out by a UK inspection firm, starting in 2004, and required a detailed survey of the coatings to provide baseline information so that in the future, regular performance monitoring could be used to predict when degradation would reach a point requiring major coating maintenance.

This intensive testing regime covered adhesion, both qualitative and quantitative measures, using a specially modified adhesion test instrument. The density and size of all blisters and the pH of all liquid-filled blisters were identified and recorded. Cracking, pinholes, mechanical damage, and associated rusting were also monitored and recorded.

To enable this detailed survey to be carried out, the coating surfaces were water jetted at 10,000 psi. Sound coatings were not removed at this pressure. Any bare areas were repaired after





Cavallo to Teach SSPC-*JPCL* Webinar on Nuclear Coatings

Jon Cavallo, recent winner of the ASTM Award of Merit, will present the SSPC-JPCL Education Series Webinar, "Nuclear Coatings," on Wednesday, July 21 from 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon. The webinar on nuclear coatings is one of 20 webinars in the series to be offered during 2010.

Education Series Webinars provide continuing education for SSPC recertifications as well as technology updates on important topics.

Participation in the webinar is free, but for those who wish to receive continuing education credits from SSPC, a test is available after the webinar. Cost of the test service is \$25.All participants, however, will receive a free certificate of completion.

The webinar on nuclear coatings will explain how to select coatings for nuclear environments and structures.

Those who wish to participate in the webinar can register free at paintsquare.com/education.

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inspection using a glass flake epoxy, which is also used for maintenance patch repair. Inspection comprised careful visual checks were aided by the use of 10x illuminated magnifiers. Close-up photographs of all features identified during this "fingertip" survey were also taken and transferred to the database with a cross reference to the area and location.

The Findings of the Survey



Fig. 7: Excellent condition of the coating after inspection, with the original gloss still present.

The overall condition of the coating at the end of the first year's 25-year testing program was described as excellent, and it was projected that the coating would last another 15 years before the likelihood of any major maintenance will be required.

Conclusions

The detailed inspection of the thee gates carried out in 2005, followed by examination of the remaining seven gates between 2006 and 2008, concluded that the condition after 25 years of all the gates was similar, and only minor patch repairs in localized areas would be necessary. This work has been carried out using UHP waterjetting and glass flake epoxy.

The EA will continue with regular inspections over the next 15 years of the now-projected 40-year coating life, and has drawn up plans to cover the next 25 years and 50 years to maintain the Thames Barrier gates.

The original contractor for the steel gate fabrication was Cleveland Bridge, which appointed two painting sub-contractors, Lloynes and Jack Tighe Ltd. The

original coatings were supplied by Sigma Coatings (now PPG). The waterjetting equipment used for the repair after the Sand Kite accident was a Flow system, supplied by SSPC-QP 1-certified UHP Projects Inc., which slightly modified it for this use and which carried out the work. The coating was supplied by Kemira (Tikkurila). The glass flake epoxy coating used for touch-up after the detailed inspection was supplied by Corrocoat Ltd. Steel Protection Consultancy conducted the inspection.

Martin Earlam is the Thames Barrier Asset Manager for the UK Environment Agency.

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By Susan Drozdz, U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center, with contributions from Mike Hasbrook, Washington Industrial Coatings



upporting our armed forces can take many forms, one of which is protecting

military personnel and their families on base during maintenance painting. Such was the case last spring at Fort Lewis, WA, when the exterior of a 200,000-gallon elevated steel water storage tank had to be recoated. Not only did the 130-foot x 65-foot tank have the original leadbearing primer that had been overcoated, but also, the tank sits in the midst of a residential area of the base. Moreover, the emergency services transmitter and receivers mounted on the tank could not be removed or disabled during the work.



Above and opposite page, top: Intricate scaffolding that allowed safe access and supported the containment All photos courtesy of Washington Industrial Coatings

Proximity of water tank to base housing and other base facilities

And because there was no alternative water supply for the area served by this tank, the tank remained full of water during blasting and painting.

The tank had last been topcoated about 12 years ago, but still had lead primer beneath the topcoats. The tank needed to be painted in the international orange and white checkerboard pattern in accordance with FAA regulations for

aviation obstructions. Funding available through the Department of Defense (DoD) Corrosion Prevention and Control Program brought U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center-Construction Engineering Research Laboratory (ERDC CERL), including CERL's Paint Technology Center, the opportunity to be involved in the painting of the tank and to implement a new



Supporting the Troops Complex Strategy Worked for Repainting Ft. Lewis Water Tank

coating system co-developed with a private coating manufacturer.

First Things First: Protecting the Residents, Environment, and Workers Environmental Controls: Outside and Inside

The project began in December 2009 with mobilization for the job.

The project requirements were to achieve 100% lead coating removal and application of the new coating system specified. The requirements were met in the middle of a Fort Lewis housing community. The goal was to avoid affecting the quality of life of numerous adjoining neighbors, while maintaining environmental controls and surface preparation standards until surface preparation was completed.

A containment system was designed and constructed in accordance with SSPC-Guide 6, Class 1A, Negative Air Containment using six-mil plastic shrink wrap with two layers as ground cover before scaffold erection. The intricate scaffolding was then carefully set up, and the containment installation was constructed as a complete 100% six-mil plastic shrink-wrap containment with an exit to a dirty room for lead decontamination and a clean change room. Both rooms were constructed of the same material as the containment. Zipper doors were installed to maintain lead controls, prevent the escape of fugitive dust and contaminated materials, and maintain negative air containment.

A covered hand wash station was constructed for workers exiting the clean room. The station had additional safety and containment monitoring equipment.

The environment inside the containment also had to be controlled to maintain conditions appropriate to surface preparation and coating operations. To this end, a 200 kw, special low-noise generator, a 14,000 CFM dust collector, two

5,000 CFM dehumidifiers, and one 60 KW in-line heater were required to run 24/7 for 10 weeks.

Because the tank was painted while in service and full of water, special precautions had to be taken to prevent condensation on the cool surface during the blasting and coating process. The coating contractor teamed with a dehumidification services company to design and engineer a plan to maintain the specified dewpoint, relative humidity, and surface temperature. The plan they developed succeeded.

Worker Protection

The coatings contractor required all workers and visitors to wear hard hats, safety glasses, and safety vests while on site. All visitors were required to sign a visitor log while visiting and before leaving the site. If a visitor was without safety equipment, it was provided.

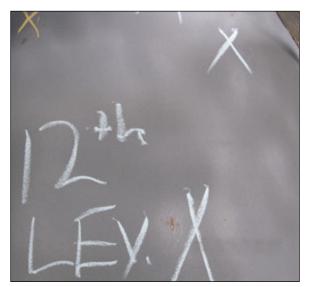
A competent person was stationed at all times at the entrance of the containment to ensure no one entered or exited



Painter suiting up

the containment without following the proper procedures for lead contamination and scaffold safety. The competent person inspected the scaffold prior to every shift to ensure scaffold was safe for workers.

The coating contractor's crew and any other personnel entering the containment were required to wear Grade D, positive



Each level of the scaffold was marked.

pressure, air Supplied Hoods and/or respirators, Tyvek coveralls, cloth coveralls, gloves, Tyvek hoods, painters hoods, and rubber boots. These measures were taken because the lead exposure levels had exceeded the personnel exposure limit (PEL). Hearing protection was also required during the entire surface preparation and cleanup process because of the high noise levels. Showers were also required and provided for all workers exposed to lead levels while working on this project.

During the coating processes, workers wore full-face respirators with chemical cartridges.

At each level of the scaffold a sign was attached designating each individual level in case of emergency. Air horns and fire extinguishers were also stationed throughout all levels of the scaffold for additional precautions.

$\label{eq:Getting} \mbox{ Getting the Job Done} \\ \mbox{ Preparing the Surface Preparation} \\$

Surface cleaning to an SSPC-SP 10, Near-White finish with a surface profile of 2 to 3 mils was specified. To meet the specification, the coating contractor used a 70/40 mix of coal slag abrasive with a proprietary additive in the fresh abrasive that would, during blasting, stabilize

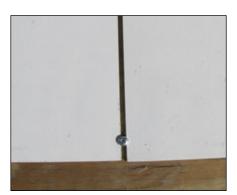
the lead debris generated to non-hazardous leachable levels

Application Began with a Newly Developed Primer

A patented epoxy polyamide primer co-developed by the U. S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center, IL, and a private coating manufacturer was applied. The technically advanced formulation utilizes an inherently conductive polymer (ICP) in conjunction with zinc dust to inhibit corrosion of the steel substrate. ERDC

CERL continues to monitor the performance of this system on test panels that were prepared in 2005.

The innovative paint formulation inhibits corrosion by forming both a high-quality barrier film and a cathodically protective primer that does not require the high pigment loading associated with traditional zinc-rich primers. The ICP facilitates the transfer of electrons by creating an electron path through the binder and between the cathodic substrate and anodic zinc dust particles. The new formulation also retains the corrosion-inhibiting performance properties of a traditional zincrich epoxy primer, with an improvement in other performance properties. The primer was applied to a dry film thick-



Test panels for the new coating



Wet film thickness as well as dry film thickness was measured throughout the work.



Painters inside the containment

ness (dft) specified, 3 to 5 mils.

The intermediate coat specified, MIL-DTL-24441/31 Paint, Epoxy-Polyamide, White, Formula 152, Type IV (tinted to light gray), was applied to the specified dft of 3 to 5 mils.

For the topcoat, MIL-PRF-85285, Coating: Polyurethane, Aircraft and Support Equipment, Type II, in white and international orange, was specified at a dft of 2 to 3 mils.

The dft of the entire system ranged from 8 to 13 mils.

Quality Assurance

The NST Center's QA Tool Kit, an Internet-based software and secure data storage system, was used to allow the certified third-party QA inspector, field personnel, and ERDC-CERL personnel to manage, in real time, quality assurance data for surface preparation, environmental, and coating application.

The Tool Kit provides easy electronic retrieval and storage of dft and environmental data, saving time, eliminating transcription errors, and ensuring data integrity. As the QA inspector uploads data from inspection instruments into the system, project personnel are automatically notified by email of any deficiencies. QA forms were automatically populated, preventing math and data transposition errors.

ERDC-CERL personnel monitored the contractor's progress using the NST Center's browser-based interface and took an active role in the management of the project. The system allowed both



Ambient conditions were monitored throughout the project.



Containment and scaffolding were taken down gradually.



The completed tank, in the international orange and white pattern required to indicate an aviation obstruction

Army and contractor personnel to track deficiencies to closure and it kept online records of problem resolutions. The QA Tool Kit system reduced the project's administrative overhead by providing direct access to inspection data analysis and online reports. This access reduced the need for hard copy paperwork and minimized delays associated with deficiency adjudication and record reviews.

The application of the topcoat was completed on March 28, 2010. Touchup painting was completed in April.

Finishing Touch

Along with successfully and safely preparing the surface and applying the coating system, the coating contractor also was awarded and successfully passed its initial SSPC-QP 1 Audit. Numerous safety and environmental inspections were also conducted during the Davis Hill project, and all inspections gave the protective measures exceptional ratings.

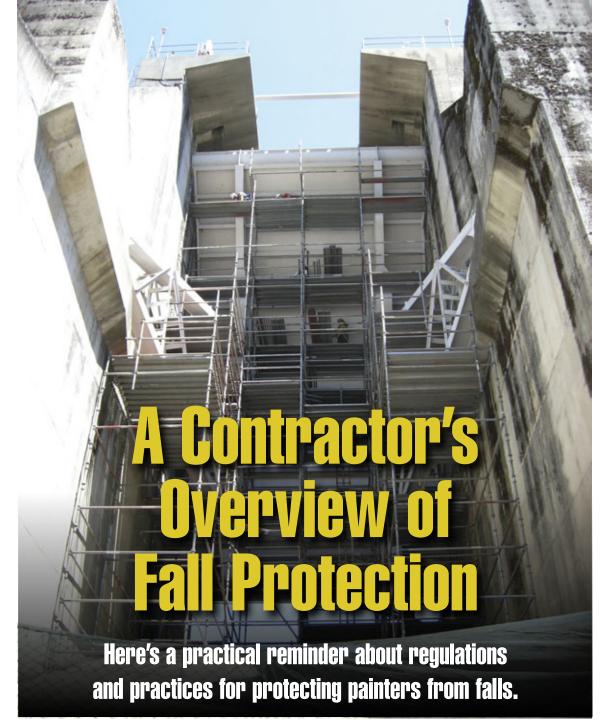
Project Participants

Tesla NanoCoatings Limited of Massillon, OH, is the coating manufacturer that developed the innovative primer in partnership with the U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center, Construction Engineering Research Laboratory in Champaign, IL. Tesla also manufactured the intermediate coat and topcoat for the project.

The painting subcontractor was Washington Industrial Coatings of Silverdale, WA, an SSPC-QP 1-certified contractor. Dryco Drying Services of Northlake, IL, worked with Washington Industrial Coatings to design and provide the dehumidification and related internal environmental control equipment. United Rentals (Puyallup, WA) provided the generators and compressors. SRS Inc. supplied the dust collector. Kodiak Equipment (Lakewood, WA) provided the vacuum. Scaffold as well as scaffolding and shrink wrap services were provided by Safway in Kent, WA (formerly Thyssen Krupp Safway Scaffolding Division). Kleen Blast Abrasives and Equipment in Hayward, CA, supplied the abrasive. TDJ Group (Cary, IL) makes the abrasive additive for stabilizing lead debris. Protective gear such as the respirators and cartridges came from North of Cranston, RI. QA Tool Kit support came from Mark Funke of the National Surface Treatment Center in Louisville, KY. The facility owner's representative was Richard Golden of the Department of Public Works in Ft. Lewis, WA. The prime contractor was Mandaree Enterprise Corporation of Warner Robins, GA.

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By Robert Ikenberry, California Engineering Contractors

he third of three 80-foot by 16-foot plat-forms is just lifting off the barge. As the platform clears the deck and begins its 150-foot climb to the underside of the bridge, the tug and barge pull away and head back to the dock. I'm one of three workers standing on the deck of the platform as it slowly is winched up, 10 feet, 15 feet, then 20 feet off the water. Suddenly, with a snap and a shout from

above, one corner of the platform begins to tip, and the support cable snakes down, splashing and then disappearing into the cold water of the bay. One of the four suspension points on the bridge above has failed. As I instinctively walk towards the falling end to see what's happening, I am gently lifted by my harness and vertical safety line until I am walking on air, with the partially submerged platform listing about 15 feet below me. It all seems to happen in slow motion. When the worst occurs, there is

no time to react or escape; either you planned for the unexpected, or

In this case, the planning was in place and everything worked as designed. The rescue boat arrived in minutes, and everyone survived with no significant injuries. I know firsthand that fall protection planning can make a difference.

The Problem

Fall hazards are real. The U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) reports that falls

are the #1 cause of death in construction.¹ Unfortunately, there is no universal solution for every situation. Our steel and concrete structures that are the backbone of our infrastructure—from bridges and water tanks to hi-rise buildings, power plants, chemical refineries, sewage treatment facilities, or other structures—all require maintenance (and new construction) painting. In the design phase, little thought is usually given to access for maintenance surface preparation and re-coating. That means more thought and effort are required later, when maintenance work is needed.

Along with roofers, ironworkers, carpenters, and laborers, painters are among the construction craft segments most at risk of death from falls (and not necessarily in that order). Progress has been made, but it is evident that fall protection still has significant room for improvement (Figs. 1 and 2). In fact, a 2010 memorandum from the U.S. Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health anticipates increases in fines for some violations in all sectors, among other enforcement changes, to help deter all types of violations. OSHA recently released its top 10 Safety Violations for 2009. Scaffolding (29C FR1926.450-454) was number one (9,093 violations); fall protection (29CFR1926. 500-503) was number two (6,771 violations).2

This article gives painting contractors an overview of fall risks, preventive and protective measures, and the need for properly planned, designed, and inspected worker protection by safety professionals.

Understanding Fall Risks

Fall risks must be evaluated and fall protection planned by your staff with, if necessary, the help of a third party safety professional before work begins. Planning will help avoid production pressures to cut corners. Job hazard analyses (JHA) are integral to any fall protection plan.

For many years, California has required each employer to prepare an Injury and

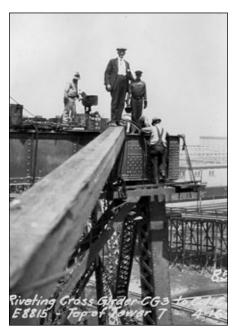


Fig. 2: Construction in 1927 of Carquinez Bridge. Fall protection has come a long way, but improvement is still needed. Courtesy of Water Resources Center Archives—Univ. of California, Berkeley

Illness Prevention Program (IIPP).³ OSHA is meeting this summer to discuss a similar requirement nationwide (they call it i2p2). An effective IIPP requires crews to identify reasonably anticipated hazards, including falls, and make written plans to reduce or eliminate the hazards. This information must be effectively communicated to workers, and periodic inspections must be conducted to verify that the plan is working and that new hazards are identified as they arise.

Communicating hazard information and protection techniques to workers means training. Workers must be shown how to recognize fall risks. They need to know what equipment and techniques are appropriate for each situation they face. An effective fall protection training program will start by familiarizing workers with the OSHA standards, especially the height that triggers OSHA's rules, then show workers how the rules apply to the specific sites and tasks at hand.

Defining Terms (Based on OSHA part M 1926.500 unless otherwise noted)

- Competent person: A person who is capable of identifying existing and predictable hazards in the surroundings or working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to employees, and who has authorization to take prompt corrective measures to eliminate them. The person is knowledgeable of applicable standards, is capable of identifying workplace hazards relating to the specific operation, and has the authority to correct them. 29CFR1926.32(f)
- Fall Prevention: Systems, such as guardrails and opening covers that prevent falls to a lower level from occurring.
- Fall Arrest: Systems, such as full body harnesses, lanyards, and anchors that stop a free-fall after it has occurred.
- **Job Hazard Analysis:** A technique that focuses on job tasks as a way to identify hazards before they occur. OSHA Publication 3071, 2002 (Revised)
- **Lifeline:** a cable or rope connected to a body harness and lanyard with at least one anchorage. May be either vertical or horizontal (requiring two anchorages).
- Retractable: Self retracting vertical cable that is attached to an anchorage at the top and to a worker's harness (D-ring). Allows moderate rate movement in and out but locks in the event of a free fall.
- Qualified person: A person who, by possession of a recognized degree, certificate, or professional standing, or who by extensive knowledge, training, and experience, has successfully demonstrated the ability to solve or resolve problems relating to the subject matter, the work, or the project. 29CFR1926.32(m)
- Rope grab: a device allowing a worker move up a vertical lifeline but automatically locks on the lifeline if the worker falls.

Fall Protection —

After learning the risks, workers need to know what is expected for fall protection compliance, how to use and inspect their equipment, and when to ask for help.

While the variety and extent of fall hazards are complex and even daunting, fall risks generally fall into three basic categories:

- · working at height on new and existing structures:
- working on scaffolds or suspended work platforms, including swing stages and manlifts; and
- working on ladders, including permanent

ladders, stepladders, and extension ladders.

Working at Heights on New or Existing Structures

Painters must be protected from falls whenever they work on roofs, on upper levels, near edges, or near openings. Identify, mark, securely cover or protect openings, skylights, vents, and other holes in accordance with **OSHA** requirements. Fall prevention and fall protection equipment, discussed later in this article, will also be needed. Just because the hazards already exist (versus those you create building your access) doesn't mean it's not your responsibil-

ity to protect your and other workers (29CFR1926.502).

Working on Scaffolds or Suspended Platforms

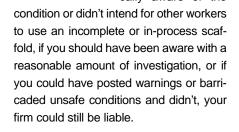
Anytime you build a scaffold, it must be designed by someone who meets OSHA's definition of a qualified person. (See sidebar, p. 29.) Before each shift, scaffolds, ropes, connections, and components must be inspected by a competent person (sidebar, p. 29), and damaged scaffolding must be removed from service. Inspections should be documented. Workers must evaluate their assigned fall

protection equipment before each use (Fig. 3).

Tags or posted warnings are required on any scaffold that is not complete, and it must not be used until all appropriate protective measures are in place. Worker training, ladder inspection, and fall protection JHAs, plans, and special programs, are all a part of your required safety records package. Note that training requirements for scaffold erectors differ from those for users (29CFR1926.454). See Fig. 4.

If you are providing scaffolding or access platforms, either as the general

> contractor or as a sub, OSHA can (and will) cite your firm for hazards created by deficiencies in your access if other contractors' workers are exposed or injured, even if your employees are not directly exposed or even on site at the time. Make sure you don't create a hazardous condition, such as incomplete guardrails, and do not allow other workers to be exposed. Even if you are not specifically aware of the



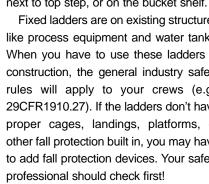
Working on Ladders

OSHA regulations on ladders in the construction industry can be found in 29CFR 1926.1053. Safe use of portable ladders requires training, planning, and common sense. Specific ladder rules for extension ladders include: inspecting them before

each use and taking damaged ladders immediately out of service (tag them "Do Not Use" or destroy them). Ladders need to be on a stable base with non-slip feet on their lower ends. Extension ladders must be securely latched at the proper extension length (know how your extension ladder releases, extends, latches, and retracts), must be positioned at a 1:4 base to height ratio, extend 3 feet beyond the upper surface on which it rests (a roof or platform, for example), and should be tied off at the top and braced against movement at the base. The first user up a ladder may need to have a co-worker hold the ladder secure until he or she can reach the top to tie it off to the structure.

Step ladders also have simple, specific rules, including inspection as above and using them only when the spreaders are fully locked (a folded up step ladder is NOT a short extension ladder substitute). Climb only the step side of the ladder (not the back) and never stand on the top or next to top step, or on the bucket shelf.

Fixed ladders are on existing structures like process equipment and water tanks. When you have to use these ladders in construction, the general industry safety rules will apply to your crews (e.g., 29CFR1910.27). If the ladders don't have proper cages, landings, platforms, or other fall protection built in, you may have to add fall protection devices. Your safety



The Rules

OSHA's Fall Protection standard requires that workers exposed to falls of 6 feet or more must be protected from falling. There are three basic fall protection tools and a few variations:

- · quardrails or hand rails on walking or working surfaces;
- · fall arrest systems, which include a full body harness, a shock absorbing lanyard or retractable safety line, and a sufficiently strong anchorage point; and
- · safety nets installed under the work location and high enough off the ground to cushion a fall.



Fig. 3: Fall protection gear should be inspected before each use. Courtesy of MSA

Fall Protection —



Fig. 4: Workers attached to a job-installed cable during scaffold erection.

Training for scaffold users differs from that for scaffold erectors.

Courtesy of the author

Special activities, such as working over water, may require other fall protection schemes.

Guardrail and Handrails

Usually, the most effective fall protection is a barrier to prevent the fall. In industrial painting operations, guardrails are the second most common type of protection against falls. Handrails or, as OSHA calls them, guardrails are fall prevention, and need to meet specific criteria.

Guardrails must have a top rail at 42 in. (plus or minus 3 in.), a mid rail halfway between the walking surface and the top rail, and substantial construction and anchorage that will resist a sideways force of 200 pounds at the top rail. (Some states have minor differences in minimum top rail heights.)

If you have a commercial handrail system, make sure you follow the supplier's instructions exactly. Designing a guardrail system from scratch requires basic engineering knowledge. If you want to customize your own system, a qualified engineer should design it for you.

Materials for guardrails vary. Permanent scaffold handrails or fixed guardrails are usually steel pipe or tubing, but construction with wood or cable top rails are common. Vertical posts are usually 8 to 10 feet apart. Cables must be properly anchored and tensioned to provide enough rigidity to limit sag to within allowable limits, but tension must not be too high or it will exert excessive force on anchorages, possibly causing a failure in the event of a real fall. Proper anchorage for posts can be a real challenge too.

Effective barriers aren't limited to handrails with two rails. In some cases, a taller wall is

better, especially if workers will be standing on short stools or boxes to reach higher steel. If the workers' feet move up, the guardrails must move up—the minimum heights are from the elevation of the workers' feet. Solid barriers like plywood or sturdy nets can work below the top rail too, and they may help prevent falling tools, abrasive, or overspray. Toe boards are usually part of a guardrail system. They aren't really fall protection for the

workers at that level, but are intended primarily to prevent objects from falling on workers or pedestrians.

Fall Arrest Systems

In industrial painting, the most common fall protection is a fall arrest system. Unlike fall prevention systems, the arrest system allows the fall, but limits the fall distance to reduce the chance of a serious injury. Every fall arrest system will have three primary components:

- A properly fitted and adjusted full body harness. Harnesses are not one-size-fits all. Smaller individuals may not be able to properly adjust a standard harness and may need a special, smaller size. Larger workers need enough room in their harness that it doesn't chafe or restrict their movement or circulation, and they need to be able to add warmer clothing when it gets cold.
- A suitable anchorage. The harness needs to be connected to a suitable anchorage, generally, a substantial item, either with a strength of 5,000 pounds per employee (can you hang a pick-up truck from the anchorage without breaking it?) or engineered for the maximum arresting force with a safety factor of 2, as indicated

OSHA and Related Standards and Publications for Fall Protection

29CFR1926 - Safety and Health Regulations for Construction

1926.451 - Scaffolds General Requirements

1926.454 – Scaffolds Training Requirements

1926.500 - Fall Protection: Scope, Application, and Definitions Applicable to this Subpart

1926.502 - Fall Protection Systems Criteria and Practices

1926.503 - Fall Protection training requirements

1926.1053 - Ladders

1926.1060 - Stairways and Ladders Training Requirements

1926 Subpart M, App C Personal Fall Arrest Systems—Non-mandatory Guidelines for Complying with 1926.502(d)

1926 Subpart M, App E Sample Fall Protection Plan—Non-mandatory Guidelines for Complying with 1926.502(k)

Personal Fall Arrest Systems (PFAS) – ANSI Z359 family of standards

ANSI/ASSE Z359.6-2009 – Specifications and Design Requirements for Active Fall Protection Systems

ANSI/ASSE Z359.12-2009 – Connecting Components for Personal Fall Arrest Systems ANSI/ASSE Z359.13-2009 – Personal Energy Absorbers and Energy Absorbing Lanyards OSHA Publication 3071, Job Hazard Analysis

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in 29CFR1926.502(d)(15). Engineered anchorages must be evaluated by a qualified person, typically an engineer, and their use must be supervised by a qualified person [29CFR1926.502(d) (15)(ii)]. The anchorage might be a steel eye, structural member, or other firmly secured, substantially constructed device. To connect to the anchorage, you may need a choker (length of steel cable), a special nylon lanyard that is designed to tie-back to itself, or some other specific fixture.

It is critical to note that scaffold components are NOT suitable for anchorages and shock-absorbing lanyards. Suspended platforms will require independently supported vertical lifelines and rope grabs, retractable lanyards mounted to the structure, or multiply suspended platforms with perimeter fall protection.

· A shock-absorbing lanyard. This lanyard must connect the harness to the anchorage. Where the work zone is vertical and an upper anchorage is available, a self-retracting lanyard, sometimes called a yo-yo, may be a good choice. Remember, a yo-yo is not an anchorage; it's a lanyard, so it should be connected directly to your harness and not through another shockabsorbing lanyard. If you find it impractical to connect the yo-yo to the D-Ring on your own harness, have a buddy connect you, or use a short (12"-18") D-Ring extender. There are also horizontal lifelines, which have different requirements than vertical lifelines, and they too must be designed by a qualified person. For a detailed description of the differences between horizontal and vertical lifelines and other components of fall protection, see the February 2001 JPCL article, "Protecting Workers Against Falls," by Liang and Kaelin, pp. 54-60.

With any fall arrest system, you must consider free-fall and deceleration distances, the chances for swing after a fall, and rescue provisions. In most instances, anchorages should be at or above the level of your harness's D-Ring (where you hook in your lanyard) or better, above your head. Lanyards should not be more than 6



Fig. 5: Special situations, such as working over water, require additional protective measures.

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feet long, and in most cases, 4 feet is better if it gives you enough room to work. With a standard six-foot lanyard attached below your D-Ring, you may be exposed to a fall of 15 feet or more, so in such instances, a shorter lanyard or a higher anchorage point should be used.

Safety Nets

Safety nets are not commonly used in industrial painting work as the main form of fall protection, but they do have some use. OSHA describes the requirements for them in 29CFR1926.502(c).

The Reality

Fall protection takes time, effort, fore-thought, training, and expense. But the expense of proper planning and execution of an effective fall protection program is much less than the costs of dealing with a tragic fall and the resulting injury or death. Articles in *JPCL* and other industry publications often highlight the citations, lawsuits, delays, and human costs of inadequate fall protection.

Preventing falls is best, of course. Probably the most important component of your fall protection program is your management's commitment to develop and enforce an effective program. It's relatively easy for a safety professional to

become familiar with the rules, write a reasonable sounding program and provide training. But what happens out on the jobsite is what really counts. Fall protection isn't easy or obvious. Too often, supervisors say the right things, then look the other way when workers cut corners, or even worse, set a bad example by cutting corners themselves. It's tempting, I know. It may take an extra 10 minutes out

of what is already a hectic day to go to your truck and put on your harness when you have to climb out onto a beam to inspect the surface prep at a connection. It's way too easy to just say it's only a few feet past the handrails and I'll only be out there a few minutes. But the message you send to your crews is deadly. All the good information and effort goes out the window when you show by example that compliance really doesn't matter when the work really needs to get done.

Fall protection anchorages can be difficult to evaluate and locate, especially when you try to provide complete coverage. But 100% protection means workers can always be tied off, no exceptions. Providing options for special situations and configurations, such as painting over water, takes planning (Fig. 5). A few reminders:

- 100% fall protection requires dual lanyards; clip before you unclip. 100% fall protection means you are always connected.
- Keep hands free when climbing ladders three point contact rule, two feet and one hand, or two hands and one foot means you can't carry tools and equipment up a ladder. Use a tool belt for tools and haul supplies up to higher locations with a hand line.

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 Elevated work platforms are often a good option—manlifts, scissor lifts, or suspended platforms. Manlifts or aerial boom lifts must have level stable support and require workers to be tied off to the basket.

Construction crews these days are often multi-ethnic. Language barriers can cause significant barriers to proper instruction and training, or emergency communication. Having workers with English as a second (or non-existent) language means adjusting training programs, warning signs, and field communications. Make sure your supervisors can communicate with all their workers. It may be easy to say everyone on the crew is expected to read and understand English, but that does not make it so.

Painters also have some special challenges that may not be obvious at first. In order to properly inspect fall protection equipment, and this includes scaffold planks and ladders in addition to harnesses and lanyards, the person inspecting them must be able to see the surface of the material to note deterioration and damage. Cracks, abrasion damage, torn threads or wires, warning yarns, and evidence of heat or corrosion are signs of damage but may be hidden by overspray or dirt and dust embedded in the surface. Moreover, paints and solvents or caustic strippers may actually chemically damage organic fibers (manila, hemp, nylon, or polyester), and grit and dust may physically damage wire ropes and other moving parts of rigging and lifting equipment. OSHA regulations require that wooden scaffold planks and ladders

remain unpainted. Inadvertent painting with overspray is just as bad as intentional painting (also prohibited by OSHA) if it obscures the surface and prevents inspection.

Remember, falls that can injure or kill don't just occur at great heights. Slips, Trips and Falls at the same level can be just as devastating. When planning and inspecting your projects, pay particular attention to walkways and travel paths. They are not locations for storing materials, running cords and hoses, or places to accumulate abrasives and debris. Keep pathways clear and free of obstructions and trip hazards. If possible, elevate and secure cords and hoses so that workers don't have to step on or around blast hoses and paint lines. If electrical cords are secured overhead, make sure non-metallic zip-ties or ropes are used, not tie wires or metal clamps. In cold weather work locations, prevent the accumulation of ice and snow in walk paths. Keep abrasives vacuumed up and immediately clean up any spills of paints, fuels, or lubricants.

Related risks when working at elevations include:

- Falling objects: use proper toeboards on scaffolding and platforms or containment (i.e., nets underneath them) to protect workers and the public below. Secure planks, tools, and equipment from being dislodged by other workers, wind or moving equipment. Secure lifted loads and keep workers out from under the path of overhead suspended loads.
- Where there is a risk of a fall, consider the path that a falling worker might

take before being stopped by their fall arrest equipment. Try to eliminate hazards from swing falls, protruding objects such as rebar (protective caps) and always consider how a suspended worker can be promptly rescued.

 When working on slopes consider the stability of footing, the angle, and the work tasks. Safety lines with rope grabs or retractables may be appropriate for work on pipes or steel structures, even if not elevated, if they occur on hillsides or adjacent to or entering excavations.

Conclusion

It's all about planning. Don't expect your fall protection plans to just evolve based on what you find when you get there. Adjustments and flexibility are always part of an effective plan, but your fall protection can't be effective if it's all just done on the fly. You may find workers flying (briefly) and that's not a good thing. Especially the landing.

This article is intended to be an overview and does not take the place of reading, understanding, and properly implementing all regulations for protecting workers against falls.

Notes

- www.osha.gov/SLTC/etools/ construction/falls/mainpage.html
- www.nsc.org/Pages/OSHAReportson Top10SafetyViolationsfor2009.aspx
- 3. www.dir.ca.gov/title8/3203.html



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Fall Protection Links

SSPC Technology Guide No. 17- "Guide to Developing a Corporate Safety Program for Industrial Painting and Coating Contractors:

http://www.sspc.org/standards/guidescopes.html (membership required to download)
OSHA Fall Protection eTool: http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/etools/construction/falls/
mainpage.html

Harness & Lanyard inspection criteria – what to look for: http://www.osha.gov/Region7/fallprotection/fall_protection_info.html



Painters Council Adds SSPC C-12 to Training Offerings

ast winter, the Painters District Council #2 Training Program added SSPC C-12, Airless Spray Basics, to its training offerings. For the past ten years, C-3, Lead Paint Removal; C-5, Lead Paint Removal Refresher; and C-7, Abrasive Blasting Program, have been offered.

According to the Painters District

Council #2, students benefit from taking the class. Proper spray techniques and safety procedures are reinforced, and the certification acknowledges the students' ability to calculate and confirm proper environmental conditions, material mixture, and application of high-performance coatings.

The Council says that while it previ-

ously provided much of the information contained in SSPC training, sponsoring the SSPC classes and partnering with SSPC has added international credibility and recognition to the program. The Council plans to include more SSPC certifications and programs in the future, including the Coating Application Specialist Certification Program (CAS).

SSPC Holds NBPI in Singapore

SSPC held its NAVSEA Basic Paint Inspector Course (NBPI) April 12–16 in Singapore for the U.S. Navy-Commander Logistics Group Western Pacific. Eight students participated, and the course was led by Tom Jones and Terry New.

Three Achieve SSPC PCS Certification

Atousa Pourfard (Boucherville, QC, Canada), Jing Zeng (Houston, TX), and Philip Nickels (Muskogee, OK) have been certified as Protective Coatings Specialists (PCS).



Atousa Pourfard

SSPC's PCS Certification recognizes industrial coating professionals for their extensive knowledge in the principles and practices specific to industrial coatings technology. Each professional is evaluated on his/her mastery of coatings type, surface prepara-

tion, coatings application and inspection, contract

planning/management, development of specifications, and the economics of protective coatings.

To be certified under the PCS Certification Program, each professional is first evaluated for their education and work experience to



Philip Nickels



Jilly Zelly

determine the extent of training to be completed prior to taking the written exam. The training courses are SSPC- C1, Fundamentals of Protective Coatings for Industrial Structures, and SSPC-C2, Specifying and Managing Protective Coating Projects. The final step is a comprehensive examination of the coating professional's

use and knowledge in those areas.

Pourfard, Zeng, and Nickels have all been trained in the

evaluation and selection of coating, lining, and non-metallic materials. They are all knowledgeable in failure analysis, onsite audits for coating/lining work, and writing technical specifications for offshore maintenance coating work.

SSPC Seeks Structure Award Nominations for 2010-2011

SSPC is accepting nominations from the membership for the annual Structure Awards. The awards are given to recognize the work of teams of contractors, designers, end users, and coating manufacturers for excellence on particular coatings projects. The awards will be handed out at the SSPC 2011 Conference, featuring GreenCOAT at the Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas. In recognition of the importance of the Structure Awards, they will be given out at the Awards Luncheon on Monday, January 31. The winning structures will also be featured in a photo essay in the *JPCL* after the conference.

SSPC is looking for nominations for all types of structures: bridges, tanks, concrete structures, industrial, or commercial facilities. The descriptions of the Structure Awards are listed below. Except for the longevity award, work on the structures must have been completed between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010. If you have any questions or if you want a copy of the nomination form, please contact Terry Sowers, Director of Member Services, at 1-877-281-7772, extension 2219 or e-mail sowers@sspc.org.

SSPC must receive your submission by October 30, 2010. Please note that a representative of the Structure Owner must be willing to attend the SSPC 2011 Conference to accept the award and give permission for the information to appear in the *JPCL* Photo Essay.

Crone Knoy Award

For outstanding achievement in commercial or industrial coatings work that demonstrates innovation, durability, or utility.

The qualities that may represent outstanding achievement in this area include excellence in craftsmanship or execution of work, use of state of the art techniques or products to creatively solve problems or provide long-term service.

Charles G. Munger Award

For the outstanding industrial or commercial coatings project demonstrating longevity of the original coating.

The structure may have had spot repairs or overcoating with the original coating still intact.

William Johnson Award

For outstanding achievement demonstrating aesthetic merit in industrial or commercial coatings work.

The qualities that are considered for aesthetic merit include color, gloss, or texture, or that the coating on the structure compliments the environment while enhancing the structure itself. The coating may represent a theme, an object, or a specific graphic design.

George Campbell Award

For outstanding achievement in the completion of a difficult or complex industrial or commercial coatings project.

The qualities that may represent achievement in a difficult or complex structure may include work occurring in harsh or extreme environmental conditions; work completed under strict time constraints; work done with limited access or in high traffic areas; work on a structure with complex structural components; or lastly a project that requires coordination with multiple trades or subcontractors.

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Dunkin & Bush Certified as Woman-Owned Company

unkin & Bush Inc., a Kirkland, Wash.-based business specializing in industrial coatings contracting and related services, announced that it has received national certification as a Women's Business

Enterprise by the Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC).

The designation makes Dunkin & Bush one of the few protective and industrial coatings companies to be certified as a woman-owned enterprise.

WBENC's national standard of certification mandates a meticulous process including an indepth review of the business and site inspection. The certification process is designed to confirm the business is at least 51% owned, operated, and controlled by a woman or women.

By including women-owned businesses among their vendors, corporations and government

agencies demonstrate their commitment to fostering diversity and the continued development of their supplier/vendor diversity programs, Dunkin & Bush said.

WBENC is the nation's largest third-party certifier of businesses owned and operated by women in the U.S. The WBENC is a resource for the more than 700 U.S. companies and government agencies that rely on WBENC's certification as an

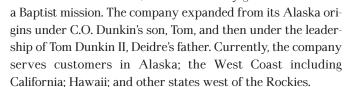
integral part of their supplier diversity programs.

A family-owned business since 1943 and now headed by fourth-generation company executive Deidre Dunkin, Dunkin & Bush recently moved to a new corporate headquarters facil-

ity in Kirkland, Wash. The company also operates offices in Alaska; Bellingham, Wash;, Oregon; California; Utah; and Hawaii, with a work force of more than 300 craft and support personnel.

The company's industrial services include industrial painting, scaffolding, and insulation, with an extensive client base of private and public customers.

Dunkin & Bush was featured in the Top Contractors report in the April issue of *JPCL*. In the report, Deidre Dunkin related how the company was started in Alaska by her great-grandfather, C.O. Dunkin, who had actually gone there to start



Another Dunkin family member is also a company executive—Project Manager Tom Dunkin III, Deidre's brother.



Deidre Dunkin

Euclid Chemical Marks Centennial Milestone

The Euclid Chemical Company, a global provider of specialty concrete and masonry construction products, is marking its 100th year of service to building material suppliers.

Euclid Chemical is wholly owned by RPM International Inc., a \$3.5 billion publicly traded corporation based in Medina, Ohio.

The company was originally established as the Klein Building Products Company in 1910. Founder Jacob Klein developed and distributed waterproofing and concrete-additive products in the Cleveland, Ohio, area. The company became known as The Euclid Chemical Company and its "Euco Method" recog-

nized as an industry standard. Klein's partner, Lawrence Korach, became the sole owner and president in 1951. Korach led Euclid Chemical until 1984, when he retired as president and sold the company to RPM.

Jet Edge Names New Zealand Distributor

Jet Edge Inc. (St. Michael, Minn.), a manufacturer of ultra-high-pressure waterjets for precision cutting, coating removal, and surface preparation, has appointed MatCamNZ as waterjet systems distributor for New Zealand.

Based in Glenfield, New Zealand, MatCamNZ is a supplier of machine tools to the New Zealand metal-cutting industry with a 20-year track record of extensive experience with waterjet technology.

For more information, visit www.matcamnz.com or www.jetedge.com.

Hempel Opens Manufacturing Site in Poland

Hempel, the Denmark-based producer of protective, marine, and decorative coatings, announced the opening of a new manufacturing facility near Buk, Poland

The company said the site complies fully with all EU legislation on health, safety, and the environment.

The factory also is reported to feature a design that will have minimal impact on the environment, with no industrial wastewater generation and minimal release of emissions.

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Blastrac Introduces Global Shot Blaster Line

Blastrac NA (Oklahoma City, Okla.) introduced the Global Shot Blasters line of surface-preparation machines for stripping, cleaning, and profiling of concrete, steel, and asphalt surfaces.

The series—the 1-8DPS30, 1-10DS Global, 1-15DS Global, and the 2-20DT Global—are self-propelled, walk-behind units that are maneuverable in forward and reverse. The machines offer production rates ranging from 450 to 4,850 square feet per hour, are virtually dust-free when connected to dust-collector systems, and operate as a one-step process. The machines strip coatings, line stripings, and compounded residues, and leave the surface clean, dry, and profiled, the company says.

The 1-10DS and 1-15DS Global machines are equipped with dual-voltage motors with auto-sensing technology. All electrical components are UL certified. The larger 1-15DS and 2-20DT machines carry quick-lift rear caster

assemblies that are actuated with the precision leverage bar that stores onboard the units, and the series is equipped with heavy-duty castors and drive wheels.

More information: www.blastrac.com

International Rolls Out Cargo-Hold Coating

International Paint Ltd. introduced Intershield®803Plus, a cargo-hold coating specifically designed to address the issue of impact damage from the loading of dry bulk cargoes.



The coating is reported to offer superior impact and abrasion resistance, good corrosion protection, VOC compliance with 75% volume solids, fast drying times, and year-round workability. The cured coating is characterized by a smooth surface for easy cleaning, is certified for the transport of grain, and is FDA compliant, said Rob Taylor,

International Paint market manager of bulk carriers.

Larson Expands Spray-Booth Light Offerings

Larson Electronics' magnalight.com has expanded its line of explosion-proof lights with UL 844 Class 1 Division 1 paint spray-booth lights, offered in 4-foot and 2-foot lengths and reported to combine bright light output, color temperature control, and five-year bulb life. The lights can be configured with two or four LED tube lights for optimal area coverage.

The EPL-48-2L-LED and EPL-48-4L-LED are the 4-foot versions of the lights, and the EPL-24-2L-LED is the 2-foot configuration. These LED lights feature both surface and pendant mounting options. Wheeled-cart options offer operators the ability to move the paint spray booth lights in and around the hazardous location area to suit the particular coating application.

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S&K to Recoat Two Moveable Bridges

By Julie Birch and Alyssa Gallagher, PaintSquare

he Oregon Department of Transportation awarded a contract \$4,841,060 to S&K Painting, Inc. (Clackamas, OR) to clean and recoat structural steel surfaces on two moveable bridges on the Pacific coast. The Bullards Bridge (pictured), a vertical lift bridge, carries US 101 over the Coquille River and is 702 feet long by 26 feet wide. The bascule bridge over the South Slough measures 1,194 feet long by 40 feet wide and allows fishing boats to access the processing facilities on the east side of the

Charleston Boat Basin.

The steel will be abrasive blast cleaned to a Near-White finish (SSPC-SP 10) and recoated with a moisture-cured ure-thane system. The contract includes full containment of the existing coatings, some of which contain lead. The project

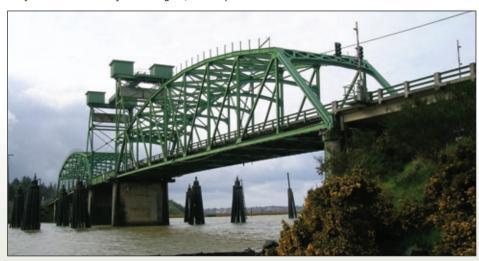


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also includes solvent cleaning stainless steel surfaces and performing repairs. The contractor is responsible for providing a NACE-certified coatings inspector to perform inspection services.

SCR Wins Queen Isabella Causeway Coating Contract



Photo courtesy of TxDOT

The Texas Department of Transportation let a contract of \$3,235,600 to SCR Construction Company, Inc. (Richmond, TX) to recoat the Queen Isabella Causeway. The longest bridge in Texas, this 2.37 milelong steel stringer structure is the only route connecting South Padre Island to

the mainland. The project includes cleaning and recoating structural steel using a zinc-rich primer and a urethane topcoat, as well as performing repairs to 20 diaphragms, nine truss sway braces, and one girder. The project also includes zinc cathodic protection system installation. SCR subcontracted S&S Painting (Kerrville, TX), SSPC-QP 1- and QP 2-certified, to perform a portion of the coating work.

Amstar of Western New York to Recoat Trunk Sewer Bridge Crossings

The Mattabassett District awarded a contract of \$447,000 to Amstar of Western New York, Inc. (Cheektowaga, NY) to clean and recoat structural steel surfaces on two trunk sewer bridge



Photo courtesy of the Mattabassett District crossings in Cromwell, CT. Located at Sebethe Drive and White Oak Drive, the crossings are 260 feet and 170 feet long. The steel will be abrasive blast cleaned to Near-White finish (SSPC-SP 10) and coated with a zinc-rich primer, epoxy intermediate, polyurethane finish. The project includes containment of the existing lead-bearing coatings within a Class 1 containment structure (SSPC-Guide 6.) The contract, which requires SSPC-QP 1 and QP 2 certifications, also includes furnishing a NACE-certified coatings inspector to perform inspection services.

Project Preview details coating contracts from the Paint BidTracker lead service. Sign up for a free trial at www.paintsquare.com/bidtracker/trial or use the bar code scanner app on your smart phone:



2010 Equipment Buying Guide

he 2010 Equipment Buying Guide lists
equipment and related supplies for protective and marine coating work from
more than 360 manufacturers, distributors, and rental companies. The purpose
of the Guide is to help users identify sources of equipment
and supplies for protective and marine coatings operations.

The Guide is divided into eight categories, and the types of products within each category are listed alphabetically. On p. 42, you will find the Table of Contents, which you can use to look up generic products and equipment by any of eight general categories: Surface Preparation; Application; Inspection; Environmental Control; Climate Control; Access; Safety; and Laboratory Testing. Within each category, appropriate products are listed alphabetically.

On p. 43, you will find the Index to the Buying Guide, which you can use to look up generic products and equip-

ment on a single alphabetized list. To contact companies about their products, consult the Equipment Company Profiles, which begin on p. 112.

In the Guide itself, which begins on p. 44, companies either displayed in boldface type or accompanied by boxed display ads have paid an advertising fee. Otherwise, a company's information appears free of charge.

The Guide is based on data obtained through a survey sent in March 2010 to manufacturers, distributors, and rental companies known to *JPCL*. The print edition of the *JPCL* Guide includes the companies that completed the survey by the deadline for the June 2010 issue. The Guide is also published at www.paintsquare.com, the online home of *JPCL*.

The online edition of the Buying Guide is updated throughout the year, so persons who would like their companies to be included should contact Anita Socci at asocci@protectivecoatings.com.

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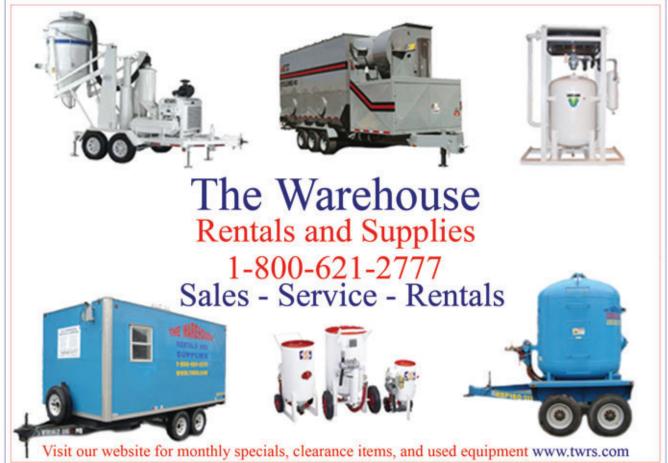
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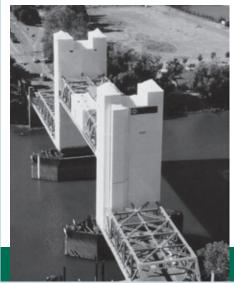
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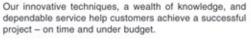


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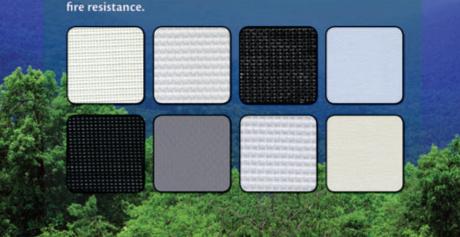
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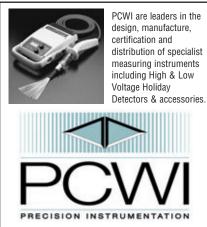




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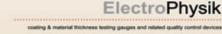
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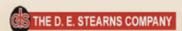
















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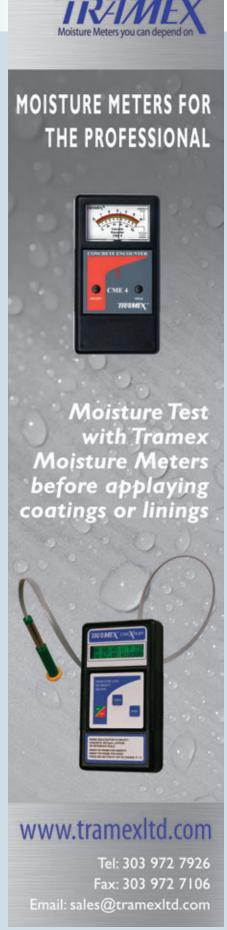
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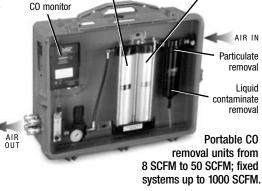
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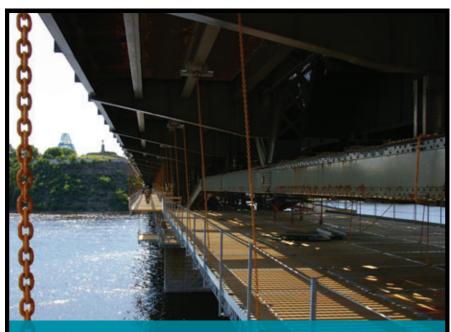


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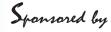
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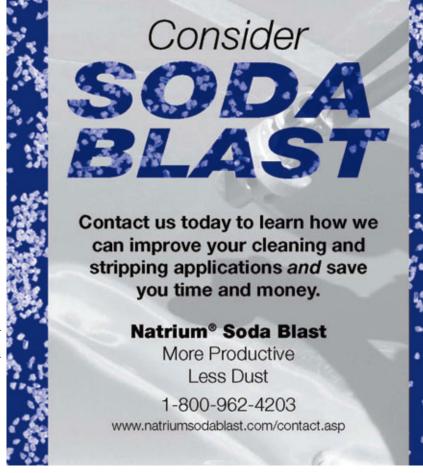


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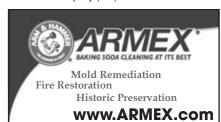
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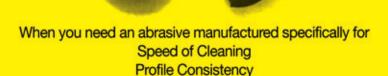
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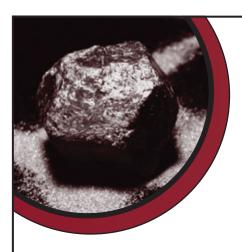
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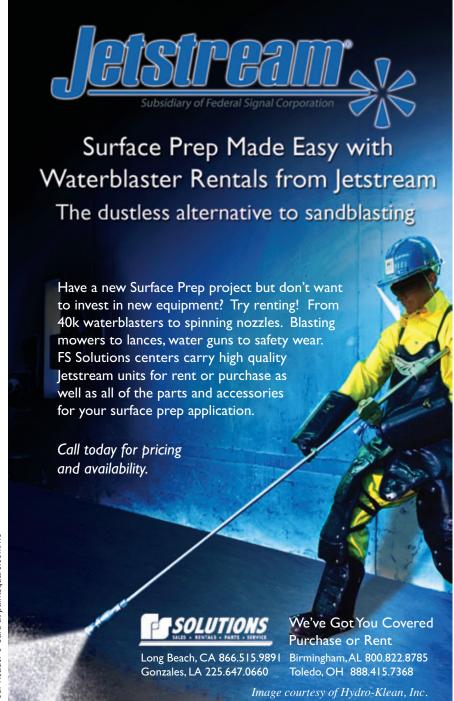
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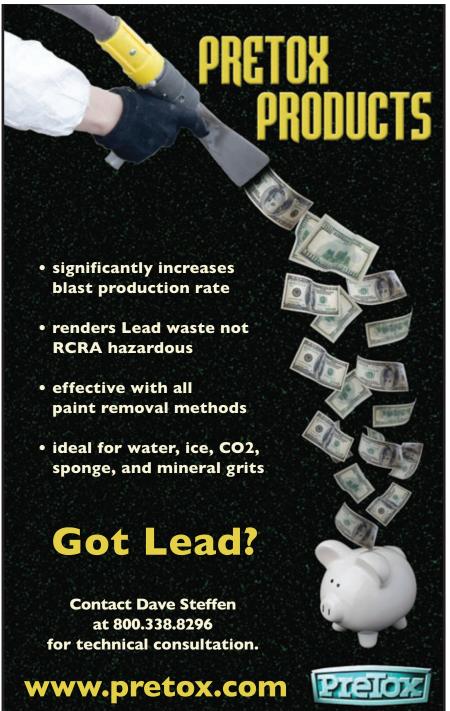
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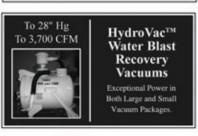
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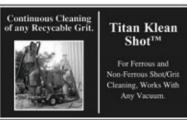
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Michigan Power Cleaning

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Midwest Surface Prep, LLC 2530 E. Northgate St. Indianapolis, IN 46220 contact: Sales Manager phone: 317-250-4734 cj@midwestsurfaceprep.com www.midwestsurfaceprep.com

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MIT Manufacturing

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Mi-T-M Corporation

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4900 South Broad St., Ste. 310 Philadelphia, PA 18914 contact: Stephen Mellon phone: 866-775-6226 sales@novetas.net www.newageblastmedia.com

Nilfisk-Advance America, Inc. 300 Technology Drive Malvern, PA 19355 contact: Rosalie Troilo phone: 610-647-6420 questions@nilfisk-advance.com www.pa.nilfisk-advance.com

NLB Corp. 29830 Beck Road Wixom, MI 48393 contact: Jenna Alder phone: 248-624-5555 nlbmktg@nlbusa.com www.nlbcorp.com See our display ad, p. 40.

Noopy's® Research, Inc. 108 Route 40 Newfield, NJ 08344 contact: Les Morgan phone: 856-358-6001 www.noopscoup.com

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Chesapeake, VA 23320 contact: David Norton phone: 800-366-4341 info@nortonsandblasting.com www.nortonsandblasting.com

Novatek Corporation 155 Philips Rd. Exton, PA 19341 contact: Ken Wise phone: 866-563-7800 sales@novatekco.com www.novatekco.com

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Atlanta, GA 30326 phone: 800-428-9017 info@oversprayrx.com www.oversprayrx.com See our display ad, p. 37.

Oxford Instruments America 300 Baker Ave., Ste. 150 Concord, MA 01742 contact: Sales phone: 978-369-9933 industrial@oxinst.com www.oxford-instruments.com

Pacific Roller Die Company, Inc. 1321 W. Winton Ave. Hayward, CA 94545 contact: Michael Kraut phone: 510-782-7242 prdsales@prdcompany.com www.prdcompany.com

Paint Brush Corporation

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Palfinger Systems GmbH Vogelweiderstrasse 40a Salzburg, 5020 Austria contact: Bernd Huemer phone: 43 662 88 00 33 2760 sales@palfingersystems.com www.palfingersystems.com

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Precision Iceblast Corporation N3908 Highway 41 Wallace, MI 49893 contact: Keith Boye phone: 708-205-1141 info@precision-iceblast.com www.precision-iceblast.com

Premier Mill

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Prep Tec

400 Specialty Pt. Sanford, FL 32771 contact: Nathan Dickford phone: 407-327-1234 estimates@prep-tec.com www.prep-tec.com

PreTox Products - NexTec, Inc. 4050 Westmark Dr.

Dubuque, IA 52002 contact: Dave Steffen phone: 800-338-8296 pretoxdave@aol.com www.pretox.com See our display ad, p. 101.

PROSOCO, Inc. 3741 Greenway Circle Lawrence, KS 66046 contact: Customer Care phone: 800-255-4255 marketing@prosoco.com www.prosoco.com

Pro-Tect Construction Services, Inc. 18420 68th Ave. S., #109 Kent, WA 98032 contact: Christy Snider phone: 425-251-3112 christy@protectconstruction.com www.pro-tect.net

Pro-Tect Plastic and Supply, Inc.

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Q-Lab Corporation

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Quest Climate Control Equipment, a division of Therma-Stor, LLC

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Radiodetection

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RBW Enterprises, Inc. 169 Hillwood Circle Newnan, GA 30263 contact: Robert B. Watkin phone: 770-251-8989 watkinbob@aol.com www.rbwe.com See our display ad, p. 97.

Reaves & Company, Inc. 4527 Hillsborough Rd. Durham, NC 27705 contact: Ron Sink phone: 919-682-8149 rsink@reavesdrop.com www.reavesdrop.com

Red Devil Equipment 14900 21st Ave. N. Plymouth, MN 55447 www.reddevilequipment.com

Reliable Pumps Consultants 5404 Cedar Crest Houston, TX 77087 contact: Russell Reed phone: 713-640-2718 russellreed@reliablepumps.com www.reliablepumps.com

Remote Orbital Installations, LLC 429 Venture Court Verona, WI 53593 contact: Michael Kronz phone: 608-845-0360 roi360@yahoo.com www.roi360.com

Ring Power Corporation 500 World Commerce Parkway St. Augustine, FL 32092 contact: Micah Hughes phone: 904-494-1285 aircompressor@ringpower.com http://compressedair.ringpower.com

Ross Cook Brand 6820 North 43rd St.

Milwaukee, WI 53209 contact: Stephen Schoenberger phone: 414-247-7100 pres@vector-vacuums.com www.vector-vacuums.com

RPB Respiratory 5450 West 83rd St.

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Ryno Tools Supply Co. 21 W. 301 Lake St. Addison, IL 60101 contact: Ryan Donaldson phone: 630-627-7075 ryan@rynotools.com www.rynotools.com

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Safety Lamp of Houston 1816 Rotary Drive Humble, TX 77338 contact: Jim Reeves phone: 281-964-1019 sales@safetylampofhouston.com www.safetylampofhouston.com

Safway Services, LLC Scotia-Glenville Industrial Park Bldg. 406 Scotia, NY 12302 contact: Jerry Dolly phone: 518-381-6000 quikdeck@safway.com www.safway.com See our display ad, p. 77.

Sanstorm 5711 Schurmier Road Houston, TX 77048 contact: Benny LeCompte phone: 800-727-5707 benny@sbsllc.com www.sanstormblasters.com

Scaffold Service, Inc. 2525 Wabash Ave. St. Paul, MN 55114 contact: Micki Hentges phone: 800-237-0417 micki@scafserv.com www.scafserv.com

Sea To Sky Innovations Ltd. 8-91 Golden Drive Coquitlam, BC V3K 6R2 Canada contact: Doug White phone: 604-468-7711 info@sea2sky.ca www.sea2skyglobal.com

SEMicro Div., M.E. Taylor Engs. Inc. 15817 Crabbs Branch Way

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SodaBlast Systems LLC 5711 Schurmier Houston, TX 77048 contact: Benny LeCompte phone: 800-216-7632 benny@sbsllc.com www.sodablastsystems.com

Solvent Kleene, Inc. 119 Foster St., Bldg. #6 Peabody, MA 01960 contact: Don Adams phone: 978-531-2279 sales@solventkleene.com www.solventkleene.com

Solvent Waste Management, Inc.

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Specialty Products, Inc. (SPI) 2410 104th St. Ct. S., Ste. D Lakewood, WA 98449 contact: Cliff Haskins phone: 800-627-0773 haskinsc@specialty-products.com www.specialty-products.com

Specialty Vacuum Inc. 4533 Green Park St. Louis, MO 63123 contact: Noel Prudent phone: 800-448-2801 sales@specialtyvacuum.com www.specialtyvacuum.com

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210 Southwest Ave. Tallmadge, OH 44221 contact: Dennis Jurecki phone: 888-884-3776 sales@spe-usa.com www.spe-usa.com

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SPIR STAR, Ltd. 10002 Sam Houston Center Drive Houston, TX 77064 contact: Jerry Carter phone: 281-664-7800 sales@spirstar.com www.spirstar.com

Sponge-Jet, Inc. 235 Heritage Ave., Ste. 2 Portsmouth, NH 03801 contact: Tony Anni phone: 603-610-7950 sjadmin@spongejet.com www.spongejet.com

Spray Equipment & Service Center 311 S. Pattie St. Witchita, KS 67211 contact: John Goodman phone: 800-666-6072 jgoodman@sprayequipment.com www.sprayequipment.com

Spray-Quip, Inc. 1754 Des Jardines Houston, TX 77023 contact: Herb Chilman phone: 713-923-2771 sq@sprayquip.com www.sprayquip.com

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Sunbelt Rentals

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Super Products LLC

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Clarence Center, NY 14032 contact: Christina M. Gossett phone: 716-741-1510 sales@malyn.com www.malyn.com

Surface Prep Supply #2 Hwy. 17-92 North Haines City, FL 33844 contact: Customer Service phone: 888-331-7737 info@prepsupply.com www.prepsupply.com

Surface Preparation-Texas, LLC 5965 South Loop East Houston, TX 77033 contact: Customer Service phone: 800-374-4043 info@surfacepreparation.com www.surfacepreparation.com

Swing-Lo Suspended Scaffold Co. PO Box 128 Covert, MI 49043 contact: George Saleeby phone: 269-764-8989 info@swing-lo.com www.swing-lo.com

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The Wooster Brush Company

604 Madison Ave., PO Box 6010 Wooster, OH 44691 contact: Anne Horst phone: 800-392-7246 customerservice@woosterbrush.com www.woosterbrush.com

Thermion PO Box 780 Silverdale, WA 98383 contact: Dean Hooks phone: 360-692-6469 dhooks@thermioninc.com www.thermioninc.com

Titan Tool 1770 Fernbrook Lane Plymouth, MN 55447 phone: 800-526-5362 titan@titantool.com www.titantool.com

TMS Metalizing Systems, Ltd.

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Total Enclosure Sail System, Inc. 5200 Martel Ave., Ste. 14B

Dallas, TX 75206 contact: Bret Walton phone: 800-724-5710 bret@tessgroup.com www.sailsystem.com

TQC Thermimport Quality Control

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Van Air Systems

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Vector Technologies Ltd. 6820 N. 43rd St. Milwaukee, WI 53209 contact: Brent Alexander phone: 800-832-4010 sales@vector-vacuums.com www.vector-vacuums.com See our display ad, p. 106.

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