

# API 653 TANK INSPECTION, TANK MAINTENANCE, AND CAUSES OF TANK FAILURE

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# API 653 Tank Inspections Why Inspect Your Tanks?

- Prevent leaks into your secondary containment or to groundwater (if you do not have a secondary containment system)
- Establish a baseline of tank condition and corrosion rates
- Identify problems to perform repairs before you have a significant leak or release - Maintain your capital asset
- Minimize chance of catastrophic tank failure

# PROPER INSPECTION PROTOCOL INSPECTOR CREDENTIALS

- Certified API 653 Inspector
  - > Four years minimum experience with storage tanks
  - Must pass test conducted by American Petroleum Institute (API)
    - ➤ Inspectors receive an individual inspector number
    - > Inspector testing required every three years

# PROPER INSPECTION PROTOCOL

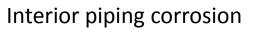
- Visual inspection of welds, plates, and appurtenances
- UT (Ultra-sonic Thickness) testing of shell courses, floor, and roof
- Vacuum testing of all floor weld seams unless epoxy coated
- Identify bottom side corrosion on floors
- Settlement Survey
  - Checking for planar tilt
  - Check for floor bulges or depressions
- Provide calculations for safe or maximum fill height



Weld deterioration

Plate corrosion









Shell corrosion



Weld deterioration and four-way junction – NON API

Four-corner insert with reinforcing backup – NON API



Evidence of interior shell corrosion





Foundation evaluation



Floor plate corrosion

Lap-welded seam leak



Floor coupon with bottom side corrosion





Floor top side corrosion



Severe roof corrosion

Star light . . . Star bright!



## 1.0 Executive Summary

On August 5, 2010, an API Standard 653 Out-of-Service inspection was completed on the primary tank of a double-wall above ground storage tank used for storing 28% Nitrogen Solution at the Martin, Ohio facility owned by Helena Chemical Company, Inc. This inspection was conducted to collect data in order to evaluate the tank's mechanical integrity and fitness for continued service. The inspection was conducted in accordance with client criterion for Non Destructive Examination (NDE) which included visual, vacuum and Ultrasonic Thickness (UT) Examinations.

Tank #1 was built in 2000 by Ebert Enterprises using A-36 materials to API 650 specifications for storing 28% Nitrogen Solution. The primary tank measures 73' diameter x 32' high. External welds on the shell, roof and floor of the primary tank were visually examined. The joints on the shell plates were butt-welded vertically and horizontally. Joints on roof and floor plates were lap-welded. External shell was visually examined and there is no external coating of primary tank #1. Neither radiograph nor soil reports were available at the time of the inspection.

Ultrasonic Thickness (UT) measurements were performed on the tank's shell plates in six (6) locations according to a consistent test pattern. On the lower courses, every sheet was numbered and tested. On the upper courses, four (4) sheets on each course were numbered and tested. On the roof plates, a single measurement was taken in the center of each plate. The sheet numbers and locations are depicted in Appendix C

#### **Summary Conclusions:**

- The thicknesses of all shell courses and roof plates are above API minimum thickness requirements.
- MAXIMUM FILL HEIGHT IS 31.2' WITH 28% NITROGEN SOLUTION.
- All floor plates are above API minimum thickness requirements.
- Internal vertical & horizontal shell welds are in good condition.
- External shell and welds are in good condition.

#### Summary of Recommendations:

- Coat the internal shell and floor with proper epoxy coating to prevent corrosion.
- Keep product below the internal roof structure.

Based in The Fertilizer Institute recommendations and the state of Ohio permit requirements, this tank's next inspection intervals are.

UT Thickness: 08/05/15
 Internal: 08/05/15
 External: 08/05/15

# 2.0 Tank Data

Tank #:	#2	Diameter:	53'
Client:		Height/Length:	32'
Location:	, Nebraska	Corr. Allowance	0.000
Inspection Date:	August 17, 2010	Joint Eff:	1.00
Type Inspection:	API 653 Out-of-Service	Specific Gravity	1.35
Test Methods:	Visual & UT	Plate Spec:	A 36M
Manufacturer:	HMT, Inc.	Course 1 t:	0.312
Year Built:	1998	Course 2 t:	0.250
Const. Code:	API 650	Course 3 t:	0.250
Capacity:	528,073 gallons	Course 4 t:	0.250
Shell Const:	Butt-Welded	Course 5 t:	
Roof Type:	Fixed / Cone	Course 6 t:	
Foundation:	Earthen	Course 7 t:	
Fill Height without Liner:	32'	Course 8 t:	
Fill Height with Liner:	30' 2"	Roof / Head 1 t:	0.187
Product:	10-34-0 Nitrogen Solution	Bttm / Head 2 t:	

#### 3.0 Inspection Results

#### 3.1 Foundation:

- 3.1.1 The PRIMARY TANK was constructed inside a larger secondary containment tank and seal welded to secondary tank floor. Welds were visually examined and found to be in good condition.
- 3.1.2 A settlement survey of the primary tank was completed from the inside of the tank. Beginning at the shell man-way moving clockwise around the tank, eight (8) equally-spaced measurements were performed around the outer circumference of the tank at the chime. Results reveal the primary tank was found to be within the parameters allowed by API Specifications and the tank is fit for continued service.

#### 3.2 Shell:

- 3.2.1 UT measurements were performed on all shell courses on the primary tank. A weld joint efficiency of 0.90 and a specific gravity of 1.33 were used in the minimum thickness calculations. Results reveal all shell courses to be above the API minimum thickness requirements. All shell courses are fit for continued service.
- 3.2.2 Calculation results from this inspection reveal the maximum fill height of the primary tank is 32.0' according to API Specifications. However, fill height should remain below the roof rafter system.
- 3.2.3 During the external visual examination of the primary tank's shell plates, an overall smooth surface texture was observed.
- 3.2.4 Welds in the external vertical and horizontal shell weld joints were visually examined and found to be in good condition.
- 3.2.5 Welds on the internal side of the shell were visually examined and generalized corrosion was observed.

#### 3.3 Appurtenances:

- 3.3.1 The primary tank is equipped with:
  - two (2) 6" nozzles located in the lower first shell course on the south side of tank.
  - two (2) leak monitors attached to secondary tank.
- 3.3.2 Welds on all nozzles and re-pads were visually examined and found to be in good condition and fit for continued service. Welds on valve couplings were visually examined and found to be in good condition.

#### 3.4 Roof:

- 3.4.1 UT measurements were performed in the center of each roof plate on the primary tank. Results reveal all roof plates to be above API minimum thickness requirements and are fit for continued service.
- 3.4.2 Welds in roof plate joints were visually examined and found to be in good condition with no corrosion present.
- 3.4.3 The primary tank is equipped with one (1) 10" roof vent and one (1) 12" roof vent. Welds on roof vents were visually examined and found to be in good condition. The roof vents are equipped with proper screens and were found to be in good condition.
- 3.4.4 Roof of the primary tank is equipped with one (1) 24" roof man-way. Welds on man-way and attachments were visually examined and found to be in good condition and fit for continued service.
- 3.4.5 Roof of the primary tank is equipped with one (1) 6" gauge hatch, three (3) 1  $\frac{1}{4}$ " gauge pipes, and one (1) 38" x 38" access hatch on the east side of the roof between the primary and secondary tanks. Welds on all roof attachments were visually examined and found to be in good condition.

Tank	Shell Minimum T	hickness and Re	maining Life Calculations	Date	8/17/2010
File No	Report No	Client	Inspector	Tank No	Temp. (°F)
41	HTS-10- 118		Richard Buntt	#2	

#### SHELL MINIMUM THICKNESS CALCULATIONS

 $tmin = \frac{2.6D(H-1)G}{SE}$ 

#### Where:

H = The height above the bottom of the course of study to the maximum liquid level height of the product, in feet (meters). For corroded or pitted areas, H = the height from the bottom of the corroded or pitted area to the maximum liquid level height of the product, in feet (meters).

tmin = The calculated minimum acceptable shell thickness, in inches (must be greater than 0.1 inch (2.5 mm) for any course). The minimum acceptable shell thickness allowed by API-653 for tank size, in inches (mm) or an alternate tmin based on low pressure calulations (int and/or ext pressures) or nominal thickness minus design corrosion allowance.

D = Nominal diameter of tank, in feet (meters).

G = Highest specific gravity of the contents (including test water if tank will, or may, be tested in the future).

S = Maximum allowable stress, in psi. For welded tanks; use the smaller of 0.80Y of 0.429T for bottom and second course or the smaller of 0.88Y or 0.472T for all other courses. For riveted tanks; S = 21,000 psi. (145 MPa)

Y = Specified minimum yield strength of the plate, in psi; use 30,000 psi (200 MPa) if not known (N/A for riveted tanks).

T = The smaller of the specified minimum tensile strength of the plate or 80k psi (550 MPa); use 55,000 psi (380 MPa) if not known (N/A for riveted tanks).

E = Original joint efficiency for the tank. For welded tanks; use API-653, Table 4-2; use E = 1.0 when evaluating the retirement thickness in a corroded plate, when away from welds or joints by at least the greater of one inch (250 mm) or twice the plate thickness. For riveted tanks; use E = 1.0 for shell plates greater than 6 inches (150 mm) away from rivets; use the value of E from API-653 Table 2-1 when within 6 inches (150 mm) of rivets.

<b>D</b> (ft) 53	<b>G</b> 1.35	E 1.00	) Fill	Height (ft)	32.0
	Material	Crs H (ft)	H (ft)	S (psi)	tmin (in)
Course 1	A 36M	8.00	32.00	24900	0.232
Course 2	A 36M	8.00	24.00	24900	0.172
Course 3	A 36M	8.00	16.00	27400	0.102
Course 4	A 36M	8.00	8.00	27400	0.100

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#### SHELL REMAINING LIFE CALCULATIONS

Ca = tact-tmin = Remaining Corrosion Allowance (inches (mm))
Cr = tprev-tact / Y = Corrosion Rate (inches (mm) per year)
RL = Ca / Cr = Remaining Life (years)
Y = 12 = Tank age (years)

#### Where:

Ca = Remaining corrosion allowance of the shell course under consideration, in inches (mm).

Cr = Corrosion rate of the shell course under consideration, in inches (mm) per year.

FHc = Calculated Fill Height = SEtact/2.6DG+1 (SEtact/4.6DG+.3)

tact = Minimum thickness measurement of the shell course under consideration, as recorded at the time of inspection, in inches (mm).

tmin = minimum required thickness of shell course, at the maximum allowable fill height, in inches (mm)

tprev = previous thickness measurement of shell course under consideration, as recorded at last inspection or nominal thickness if no previous thickness measurements, in inches (mm).

RL = Estimated remaining life of the shell course under consideration, in years.

Y = Time span between thickness readings or age of the tank if nominal thickness is used for tprev, in years.

Course	tprev	tact	tmin	Ca	Cr	RL	FHc
Course 1	0.312	0.301	0.232	0.069	0.0009	75.7	41.29
Course 2	0.250	0.240	0.172	0.068	0.0008	81.8	41.12
Course 3	0.250	0.241	0.102	0.139	0.0008	185.5	52.50
Course 4	0.250	0.234	0.100	0.134	0.0013	100.5	59.47

# SHELL SETTELMENT SURVEY API-653 APPENDIX B SETTLEMENT EVALUATION File No Report No Client Inspector Tank No 1st Crs Plt Spec 7 HTS-10-221 Doug Perry #1 Unknown

#### S <= 11L^2Y/2EH

U = Measured out-of-plane settlement in relation to a cosine curve, in feet

S = Deflection, in feet, (out-of-plane distortion)

L = Arc length between measurement points, in feet

Y = Yield strength, in pounds per square inch (psi)

E - Young's modulus, in pounds per square inch (psi)

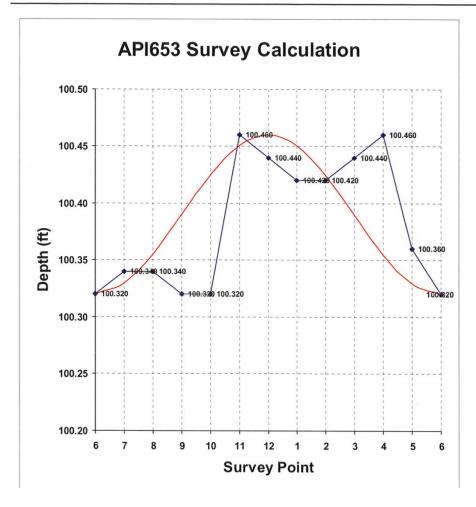
H = Tank height, in feet

D 52 2	L 20.42	<b>Y</b> 30000	E 29000		1.5	- Max Perm 0.075	
	Feet	Inches	Feet	U	S	Results	High Point
Point 1	3	9.000	3.75	0.000	0.002	SAT	3.75 Ft
Point 2	3	9.200	3.77	0.007	0.000	SAT	
Point 3	3	9.400	3.78	0.014	-0.001	SAT	Low Point
Point 4	3	9.600	3.80	0.022	0.016	SAT	3.80 Ft
Point 5	3	9.400	3.78	-0.002	-0.009	SAT	
Point 6	3	9.400	3.78	-0.008	0.008	SAT	Planar Tilt
Point 7	3	9.200	3.77	-0.030	-0.010	SAT	0.05 Ft
Point 8	3	9.200	3.77	-0.032	0.008	SAT	
Point 9	3	9.000	3.75	-0.050	-0.010	SAT	0.60 In.
Point 10	3	9.000	3.75	-0.049	-0.024	SAT	
Point 11	3	9.000	3.75	-0.046	-0.009	SAT	Cosine Curve R^2
Point 12	3	9.200	3.77	-0.025	0.008	SAT	0.24
Point 13	3	9.200	3.77	-0.019	-0.010	SAT	
Point 14	3	9.400	3.78	0.006	0.017	SAT	
Point 15	3	9.200	3.77	-0.002	0.000	SAT	
Point 16	3	9.000	3.75	-0.010	-0.009	SAT	

#### Notes:

Sixteen equally spaced settlement measurements were performed around the outside circumference of the tank at the floor plate that sticks out beyond the shell.

ΔPI-653	SHELL SETTELME	NT SURVEY EMENT EVALUATION	Date	8/7/2010
Report No	Client	Inspector	Tank No	1st Crs Plt Spec
HTS-10-155		Richard Buntt	#17	A 36M



ı	API-653 ATMOSPHERIONINIMUM THICKNESS,				Date 10/12/20	10
File No	Report No	Client	Inspector	Tank No	Temp. °F	Ca
60	HTS-10-271		Doug Perry	#1		0.000

#### Where:

Ca = remaining corrosion allowance of the tank component under consideration, in inches (t act - t min).
Cr = corrosion rate of the tank component under consideration, in inches per year (t prev - t act / Y).
oz = unit of measurement, (weight, in ounces, per square inch), (16 oz per pound)
psi = unit of measurement, (weight, in pounds, per square inch)

RL = estimated remaining life of the tank component under consideration, in years (Ca / Cr). t act = actual thickness measurement of the tank component under consideration, as recorded at the time of inspection, in inches.

t min = minimum required thickness of tank component, at the design MAWP at the design temperature (200 °F for atm AST's), in inches (greater of psi/wt or 0.090").

t nom = design nominal thickness of tank component under consideration, in inches.

t prev = previous thickness measurement of the tank component under consideration, as recorded at last inspection or nominal thickness if no previous thickness measurements, in inches.

t yn = thickness of the tank component under consideration at the next inspection at twice the calculated corrosion rate, in inches (t act - (2\*Cr\*Yn).

wt = weight of plate per cubic inch.

wc = unit of measurement, (height, in inches, of water column bearing on 1 square inch area), (27.7 wc per pound)

Y = time span between thickness readings or age of the tank component if tnom is used for tprev, in years.

Yn = estimated time span to next inspection of the tank component under consideration, in years

ROOF PLATES - REMAINING	LIFE
Y t prev t act t min Cr 15 0.187 0.176 0.090 0.000	
ROOF MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE INTERN	AL PRESSURE
Material Catagory         wt         Yn         t yn           CS/Crom. Stl         0.2833         5         0.169	psi oz. wc 0.048 0.765 1.32
RELIEF VALVE SETTING EVALU	JATION
Setting Unit = (psi)	Max Allowed 0.765 oz
Relief setting is satisfactor	y

Ultrasonic Thickness Measurements were performed in the center of each roof plate at the time of the examination.

#### STORAGE TANK FLOOR EVALUATION Date 10/12/2010 MINIMUM REMAINING THICKNESS (MRT) CALCULATIONS File No Report No Client Initials Tank No Temp. °F Doug Perry 60 HTS-10-271 #1 Shell Shell CP Protec. 50mil Liner Leak Det. Ca tmin tnom D No No No No

#### Where:

Ca = corrosion allowance, in inches.

MRT = minimum remaining thickness at the end of interval Or. This value must meet the requirements of Table 4-1 and sections 2.4.7.4 and 2.4.8.

Or = In-service interval of operation (years to next internal inspection) not to exceed that allowed by 4.4.2. RTbc = minimum remaining thickness from bottom side corrosion after repairs.

RTip = minimum remaining thickness from internal corrosion after repairs.

StPr = maximum rate of corrosion not repaired on the top side. StPr = 0 for coated areas of the bottom.

The expected life of the floor must equal or exceed Or to use StPr = 0.

tmin = minimum allowable thickness in accordance with requirements of Table 4-1 and sections 2.4.7.4 and 2.4.8

to = original (nominal) thickness of floor plate under consideration, in inches.

UPr = maximum rate of corrosion on the bottom side. To calculate the corrosion rate, use the minimum remaining thickness after repairs. Assume a linear rate based on the age of the tanks. UPr = 0 for areas that have effective cathodic protection.

D = nominal diameter of tank, in ft.,

H =Height, in feet, from the bottom of the 1st shell course to the maximum allowable fill height S = Stresses are calculated from [2.34 D (H-1)]/t

	G	ENER	AL PL	ATES -	AFTER I	NSPI	ECTION	/ REP	AIRS
Age	to	RTbc	RTip	UPr	StPr	Or	MRT	tmin	Results
15	0.250	0.237	0.237	0.00087	0.00087	5	0.228	0.100	ACCEPTABLE

F	PLATE	S IN C	RITICA	AL ZONE	E (3'') - A	FTEF	RINSPE	CTION	/ REPAIRS
Age	to	RTbc	RTip	UPr	StPr	Or	MRT	tmin	Results
15	0.250	0.237	0.237	0.00087	0.00087	5	0.228	0.100	ACCEPTABLE

ANNULAR PLATES - AFTER INSPECTION / REPAIRS									
Age	to	RTbc	RTip	UPr	StPr	Or	MRT	tmin	Results

Ultrasonic Thickness Measurements were performed in five designated locations on each floor plate.

# API-653 STORAGE TANK EVALUATION

## AST Component Inspection Data

Report No	Client	Inspector	Vessel	Date
HTS-10			#2	

#### Component Thickness Measurements (in inches)

CML	Component	Location	tml-1	tml-2	tml-3	tml-4	tml-5	tml-6	Minimum
001	Shell Crs 1	Plt1	0.342	0.345	0.334	0.336	0.345	0.335	0.334
002	Shell Crs 1	Plt2	0.340	0.328	0.350	0.357	0.333	0.371	0.328
003	Shell Crs 1	Plt3	0.323	0.337	0.325	0.316	0.323	0.332	0.316
004	Shell Crs 1	Plt4	0.327	0.364	0.355	0.361	0.325	0.366	0.325
005	Shell Crs 1	Plt5	0.334	0.348	0.344	0.363	0.340	0.373	0.334
006	Shell Crs 1	Plt6	0.352	0.355	0.358	0.359	0.350	0.347	0.347
007	Shell Crs 2	Plt1	0.221	0.282	0.247	0.218	0.226	0.243	0.218
008	Shell Crs 2	Plt2	0.224	0.231	0.226	0.229	0.222	0.256	0.222
009	Shell Crs 2	Plt3	0.219	0.224	0.229	0.220	0.218	0.270	0.218
010	Shell Crs 2	Plt4	0.213	0.233	0.209	0.252	0.207	0.252	0.207
011	Shell Crs 2	Plt5	0.214	0.266	0.248	0.226	0.227	0.250	0.214
012	Shell Crs 2	Plt6	0.251	0.233	0.223	0.253	0.223	0.273	0.223
013	Shell Crs 3	Plt1 N.	0.212	0.204	0.195				0.195
014	Shell Crs 3	Plt2 S.	0.210	0.205	0.204				0.204
015	Shell Crs 3	Plt3 E.	0.189	0.185	0.183				0.183
016	Shell Crs 3	Plt4 W.	0.211	0.204	0.207				0.204
017	Shell Crs 4	Plt1 N.	0.196	0.217	0.194				0.194
018	Shell Crs 3	Plt2 S.	0.203	0.200	0.212				0.200
019	Shell Crs 4	Plt3 E.	0.189	0.190	0.195				0.189
020	Shell Crs 4	Plt4 W.	0.189	0.183	0.187				0.183
021	Roof	Plt1	0.213						0.213
022	Roof	Plt2	0.185						0.185
023	Roof	Plt3	0.186						0.186

#### **Shell CML Locations**

Primrose, NE
Tank #1
15' diameter x 55' high
October 13, 2010

Course 3, 4, 5 & 6

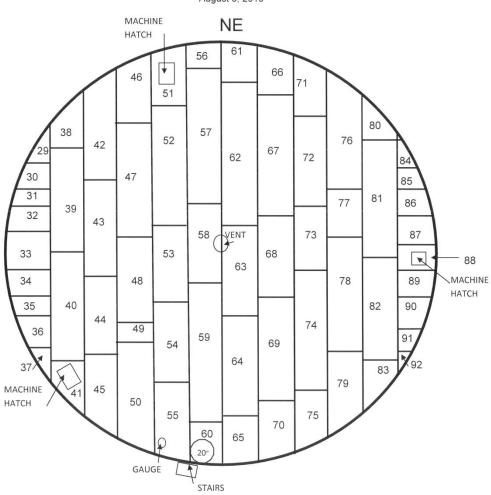
NORTH	SOUTH	EAST	WEST
21	22	23	24
17	18	19	20
13	14	15	16
9	10	11	12

#### Courses 1 & 2

5	6	7	8	
1	2	3	4	

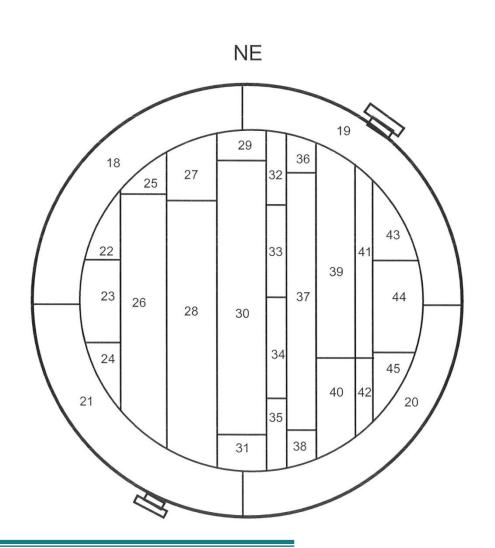
#### **Roof CML Locations**

Garden City, KS Tank #8 104' diameter x 32' high August 5, 2010



## Floor CML Locations

Crop Production Services, Inc. Alpaugh, CA Tank #150 33.2' diameter x 32' high June 7, 2010







# TANK MAINTENANCE – COMMON SENSE APPROACH

- Conduct monthly/weekly walk-around of your tank(s)
  - Look for stains on steel where leak may be occurring
  - Check valve function and nozzle welds
  - Check associated piping
  - Check foundation for wash-out/deterioration
- Keep good records of product in and out

# **TANK MAINTENANCE – COMMON SENSE APPROACH**

- Open up your tank a minimum of every two years and conduct your own visual inspection inside
  - Check for weld deterioration and corrosion
  - If tank is coated, visually check coating for blisters or cracks
- Keep a record of inspections and results
- If tank has an internal containment liner, check leak monitor weekly
- Conduct an API-653 inspection of your tank every five years as recommended by TFI (The Fertilizer Institute)

# WHAT IS THE API 650 SPECIFICATION

## API - AMERICAN PETROLEUM INSTITUTE

Worldwide Standard for Above Ground Storage Tank Design and Construction

- Provides requirements for calculations of shell plate thickness, man-way and nozzle design
- Provides procedures for shell, roof and floor construction
- Specifies material requirements and minimum thickness requirements
- Specifies weld construction requirements, weld spacing, and x-ray requirements

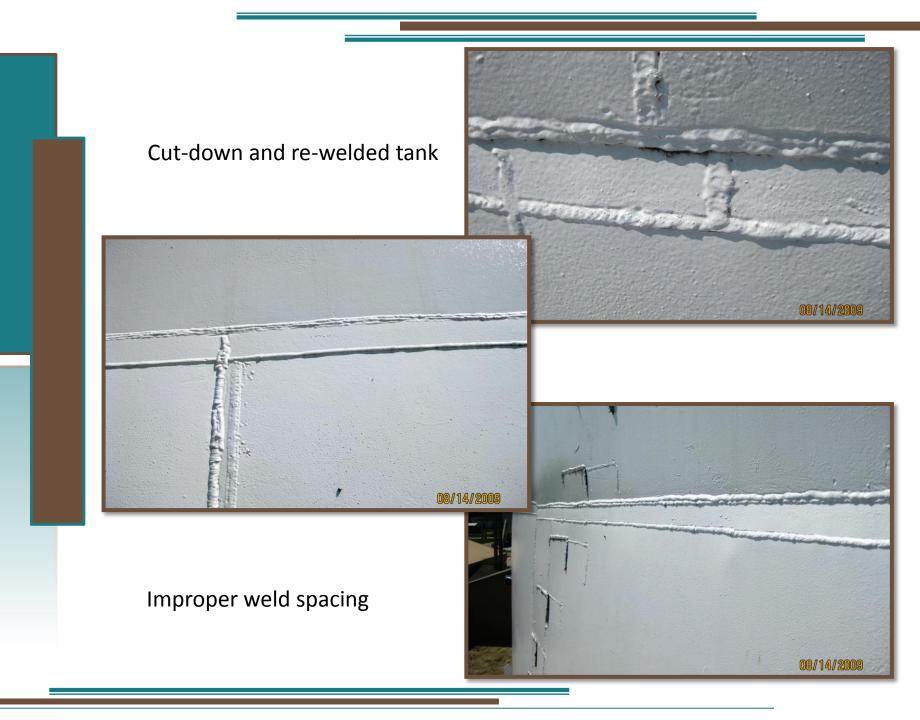
# CAUSES OF CATASTROPHIC TANK FAILURE

## **TANK FAILURES – COMMON CAUSES**

- Tank shell plates not thick enough for specific gravity of product stored
- Over-filling of tank over pressure
- Cut-down and re-erected tanks using improper cutting and re-welding procedures
- Improper weld procedures
  - ➤ Lack of full weld penetrations (lack of weld fusion)
  - >Improper weld seam spacing
  - Lack of radiograph (x-ray) of newly constructed tanks or on repaired tanks

# **TANK FAILURES – COMMON CAUSES**

- Lack of weld fusion #1 common cause
  - Welders not certified and tested to weld procedure
- Weld deterioration/corrosion especially in lower horizontal and vertical weld seams
- Brittle fracture of steel
- Lack of proper certified inspections
- Tank erectors who know little about API Specifications and procedures – these companies attract customers with a "cheap" price. Make certain your contractor can verify that your tank meets API Specifications. DO YOUR OWN HOMEWORK

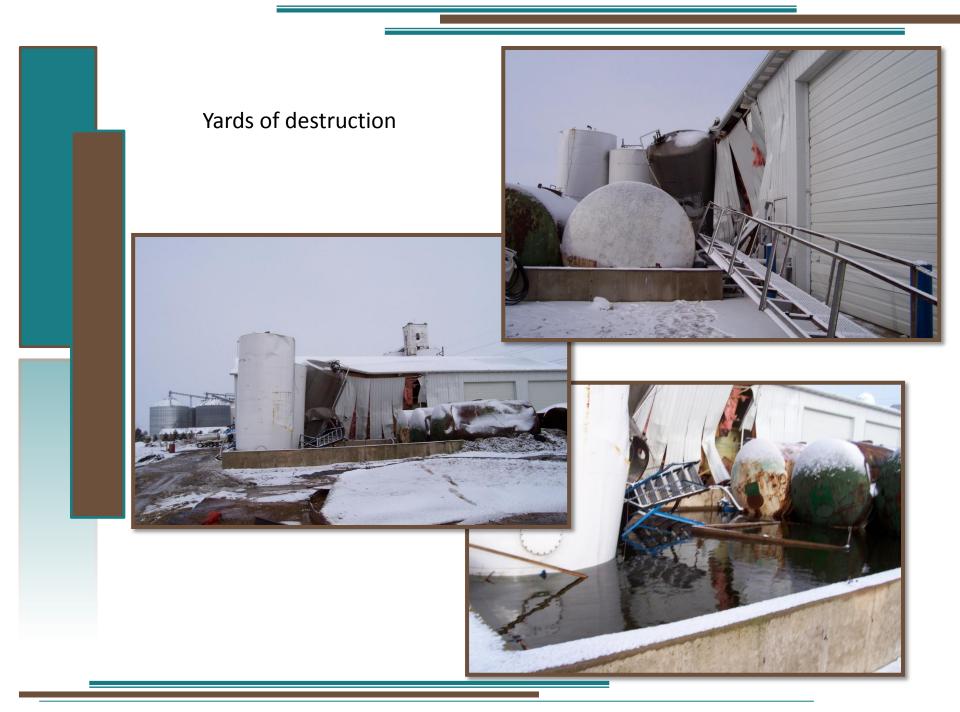




Double wall 500,000 gallon tank, Illinois 2008

Cause – overfilling and lack of fusion on weld seams







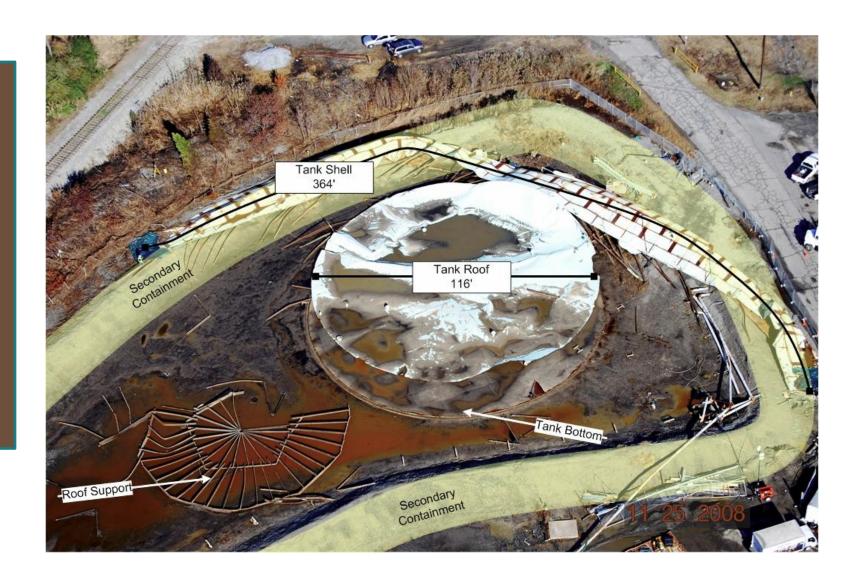
Original tank foundation



Weld seam rupture. Force of rupture "pushes back". Rupture on side of camera location.









Aboveground Storage Tanks

#### **Aboveground Storage Tank Inspection**

This Standard Operating Procedure describes the steps that campus units that manage aboveground oil storage tanks (ASTs) or containers must follow to perform visual tank inspections. Checklists are attached.

#### Monthly Tank Inspection (e.g., Aboveground Storage Tanks, Generator Tanks):

- Use and complete the <u>Aboveground Storage Tank Monthly Inspection Checklist</u> Designate a knowledgeable individual to inspect tanks according to the attached checklist or an equivalent method pre-approved by the Division of Safety and Compliance.
- Monthly Inspect aboveground tanks and associated valves, piping, and appurtenances. Visually assess
  the general condition of the tank or container and its appurtenances such as flange joints, expansion
  joints, valve glands and bodies, catch pans, pipeline supports, locking of valves, and metal surfaces. Also
  observe shells for signs of leaks or potential leaks, such as cracks, holes, rust, bulges, dents, residues,
  stains or other visual evidence.
- For oil/fuel containers that lack secondary containment <u>and</u> cannot be inspected or viewed on all sides for the presence of leaks, <u>accurately inventory</u> quantities at least monthly. Reconcile the amount of product used with the amount of product purchased to account for all inventory and confirm that product is not slowly leaking from the container.
- <u>Keep written procedures</u> and a <u>record of inspections</u>, inventories and tests, signed by the appropriate supervisor or designated inspector, with the SPCC Plan at your unit for at least <u>3 years</u>. Certified inspector integrity tests records should be retained for the life of the tank.
- Report problems to the Unit Coordinator for corrective action.
- If you witness or discover a release of a petroleum product notify the appropriate personnel in accordance with SOP-1 Spill Reporting Procedures for University Personnel and Students.

# AST Inspection Checklist Guidance (Adopted from the Steel Tank Institute (STI) SP0001 inspection standard):

- For equipment not included in the STI SP0001 inspection standard, follow the manufacturer recommended inspection/testing schedules and procedures.
- The monthly AST Inspection is intended for monitoring the external AST condition and its containment structure. This visual inspection does not require a certified inspector. It shall be performed by an owner's inspector who is familiar with the site and can identify changes and developing problems.
- ➤ Upon discovery of water in the primary tank, secondary containment area, interstice, or spill container, remove promptly or take other corrective action. Before discharge to the environment, inspect the liquid for regulated products or other contaminants and dispose of it properly.
- (\*) designates an item in a non-conformance status. This indicates that action is required to address a problem.
- Non-conforming items <u>important to tank or containment integrity</u> require evaluation by an engineer experienced in AST design, a certified inspector, or a tank manufacturer who will determine the corrective action. Note the non-conformance and corresponding corrective action in the comment section.
- Retain the completed checklists for at least 3 years.
- In the event of severe weather (snow, ice, wind storms) or maintenance (such as painting) that could affect the operation of critical components (e.g., normal and emergency vents, valves), an inspection of these components is required immediately following the event.



Monthly AST Inspection Checklist

## Monthly AST Inspection Checklist

Unit:	Inspection Date:
Inspector Name:	
Container/System:	
(*) designates an item in a non-conformance status. This is	ndicates that action is required to address a problem.

Item	Status		Comments
1.0 Tank Containment			
Water in primary tank, secondary containment, interstice, or spill container?	Yes*	No	
Debris or fire hazard in containment?	Yes*	No	
Drain valves operable and in a closed position?	Yes	No*	
Containment egress pathways clear and gates/doors operable?	Yes	No*	
Secondary containment or ground is damaged or stained?	Yes*	No	
2.0 Leak Detection			
Visible signs of leakage around the tank, concrete pad, containment, ringwall or ground?	Yes*	No	
Valve seals or gaskets are leaking?	Yes*	No	
Cracks in hosing present?	Yes*	No	
3.0 Tank Attachments and A	ppurtances		
Ladder and platform structure secure with no sign of severe corrosion or damage?	Yes	No*	
Tank Liquid level gauge and alarms readable and in good condition?	Yes	No*	
All tank openings are properly sealed?	Yes	No*	
Vents are obstructed?	Yes*	No	
Pipelines or supports are damaged or deteriorated?	Yes*	No	
Buried pipelines exposed?	Yes*	No	



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4.0 Tank Structure			
Tank is dented, bulging, rusted, damaged, or deteriorated?	Yes*	No	
Bolts, rivets, or seams are cracked or damaged?	Yes*	No	
Tank supports are deteriorated or buckled?	Yes*	No	
Tank foundations have eroded or settled?	Yes*	No	
Double-walled tanks – Space between inner and outer walls is free of oil?	Yes	No*	
5.0 Other Conditions			
Oil/water separator is functioning properly?	Yes	No*	
Are there other conditions that should be addressed for continued safe operation or that may affect the site SPCC plan?	Yes*	No	
Security fencing, gates, locks, lighting are functional?	Yes	No*	
Deficiencies and corrective acreported to the Division of Sa  Remarks	fety and Comp	liance at 217	d on this inspection form. All leaks must be 7.265.9828.
Signature (Inspector or Supervisor) _			Date:

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## Annual AST Inspection Checklist

#### **Annual Aboveground Storage Tank Inspection:**

Use and complete the <u>Aboveground Storage Tank Annual Inspection Checklist</u> – Designate a
knowledgeable individual to inspect tanks according to the attached checklist or an equivalent method
pre-approved by the Division of Safety and Compliance.

#### Annually:

- 1. Inspect the AST shell and associated piping, valves, and pumps including inspection of the coating for Paint Failure.
- 2. Inspect earthen containment structures including examination for holes, washout, and cracking in addition to liner degradation and tank settling.
- 3. Inspect concrete containment structures and tank foundations/supports including examination for holes, washout, settling, paint failure, in addition to examination for corrosion and leakage.
- 4. Inspect steel containment structures and tank foundations/supports including examination for washout, settling, cracking, and for paint failure, in addition to examination for corrosion and leakage.
- 5. Inspect cathodic protection system, if applicable, including the wire connections for galvanic systems and visual inspection of the operational components (power switch, meters, and alarms) of impressed current systems.
- 6. Remove promptly upon discovery standing water or liquid in the primary tank, secondary containment area, interstice, or spill container. Before discharge to the environment, inspect the liquid for regulated products or other contaminants and dispose of it properly.
- <u>Keep written procedures</u> and a <u>record of inspections</u>, inventories and tests, signed by the appropriate supervisor or designated inspector, with the SPCC Plan at your unit for at least <u>3 years</u>. Records produced as a result of certified inspections should be retained for the life of the tank.
- Report problems to the Unit Coordinator for corrective action.
- If you witness or discover a release of a petroleum product notify the appropriate personnel in accordance with SOP-1 Spill Reporting Procedures for University Personnel and Students.

#### AST Inspection Checklist Guidance (Adopted from STI SP0001 inspection standard):

- For equipment not included in the STI SP0001 inspection standard, follow the manufacturer recommended inspection/testing schedules and procedures.
- The annual AST Inspection is intended for monitoring the external AST condition and its containment structure. This visual inspection does not require a certified inspector. It shall be performed by an owner's inspector who is familiar with the site and can identify changes and developing problems.
- ➤ Upon discovery of water in the primary tank, secondary containment area, interstice, or spill container, remove promptly or take other corrective action. Before discharge to the environment, inspect the liquid for regulated products or other contaminants and disposed of it properly.
- (\*) designates an item in a non-conformance status. This indicates that action is required to address a problem.
- Non-conforming items <u>important to tank or containment integrity</u> require evaluation by an engineer experienced in AST design, a certified inspector, or a tank manufacturer who will determine the corrective action. Note the non-conformance and corresponding corrective action in the comment section.
- Retain the completed checklists for at least 3 years.
- In the event of severe weather (snow, ice, wind storms) or maintenance (such as painting) that could affect the operation of critical components (normal and emergency vents, valves), an inspection of these components is required immediately following the event.



# Annual AST Inspection Checklist

## **Annual AST Inspection Checklist**

Unit:		Insp	ection Date:
Inspector Name:			
Container/System:			
(*) designates an item in a non-cor	nformance status. T	his indicate	s that action is required to address a problem.
Item	Status		Comments
1.0 Tank Containment			
Containment structure in satisfactory condition?	Yes	No*	
Drainage pipes/valves fit for continued service?	Yes N/A	No*	
2.0 Tank Foundation and Su	pports		
Evidence of tank settlement or foundation washout?	Yes*	No	
Cracking or spalling of concrete pad or ring wall?	Yes*	No	
Tank supports in satisfactory condition?	Yes	No*	
Water able to drain away from tank?	Yes	No*	
Grounding strap secured and in good condition?	Yes	No*	
3.0 Cathodic Protection			
CP system functional?	Yes N/A	No*	
Rectifier Reading:	Yes	No*	
4.0 Tank External Coating	L		
Evidence of paint failure?	Yes*	No	
5.0 Tank Shell/Heads			
Noticeable shell/head distortions, buckling, denting or bulging?	Yes*	No	
Evidence of shell/head corrosion or cracking?	Yes*	No	
6.0 Tank Manways, Piping a	nd Equipment v	within Sec	ondary Containment
Flanged connection bolts tight and fully engaged with no sign of wear or corrosion?	Yes	No*	



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Item	Status		Comments
7.0 Tank Roof			
Standing water on roof?	Yes*	No	
Evidence of coating cracking, crazing, peeling, blistering?	Yes*	No	
Holes in roof?	Yes*	No	
8.0 Venting			
Vents free of obstructions?	Yes	No*	
Emergency vent operable? Lift as required?	Yes	No*	
9.0 Insulated Roofs			
Insulation missing?	Yes*	No	
Are there noticeable areas of moisture on the insulation?	Yes*	No	
Mold on insulation?	Yes*	No	
Insulation exhibiting damage?	Yes*	No	
Is the insulation sufficiently protected from water intrusion?	Yes	No*	
10.0 Level and Overfill Preven	ntion Instrumer	ntation of S	hop-Fabricated Tanks
Has the tank liquid level sensing device been tested to ensure proper operation?	Yes	No*	
Does the tank liquid level sensing device operate as required?	Yes	No*	
Are overfill prevention devices in proper working condition?	Yes N/A	No*	
11.0 Electrical Equipment			
Are tank grounding lines in good condition?	Yes N/A	No*	
Is electrical wiring for control boxes/lights in good condition?	Yes N/A	No*	

Deficiencies and corrective actions must be documented on this inspection form. All leaks must be reported to the Division of Safety and Compliance at 217.265.9828.



Annual AST Inspection Checklist

Remarks		
Signature (Inchestor or Supervisor)	Date	



Monthly Inspection Checklist - Portable Containers

#### Short-Term Container Inspection (e.g., drums 55 gallons or more):

"Short-term" containers are containers 55 gallons or greater that are used for storage of oil for less than 10 years. Short-term containers must be visually inspected at least monthly and the visual inspection must be documented.

- Use and complete the <u>Short-Term Container Inspection Checklist</u> Designate an individual to conduct container inspections according to the attached checklist or an equivalent method pre-approved by the Division of Safety and Compliance.
- At least monthly Inspect the top, bottom and sides of the container to observe for exterior dents, bulges, holes, missing bungs or caps, rust or other signs that might indicate leakage or potential leakage of contents.
- Ensure that the container is not in contact with the ground surface. If in contact with ground, note on checklist and immediately notify the Division of Safety and Compliance.
- Remove from service any "short-term" container that appears to pose risk of oil discharge and replace with an approved container if a substitute container.
- Remove from service all "short-term" containers <u>prior to ten years of age</u>.
- Document the inspection on the attached Short-Term Container Inspection Checklist (SOP-5b) and keep with the SPCC Plan at your unit for at least <u>3 years.</u>
- Report problems to the unit coordinator for corrective action.

#### **Short-Term Container Inspection Guidance:**

- > The monthly Short-Term Container Inspection is intended for monitoring the external AST condition and its containment structure. This visual inspection does not require a certified inspector. Designated facility personnel who is familiar with the site and can identify changes and developing problems may perform the inspections.
- (\*) designates an item in a non-conformance status. This indicates that action is required to address a problem.
- ➤ If 55-gallon drums are found to have non-conforming items that are <u>important to containment integrity</u>, <u>the drum must be replaced</u>.
- Retain the completed checklists for at least 3 years.



# **Inspections Standard Operating Procedure 5**Monthly Inspection Checklist - Portable Containers

## Monthly Inspection Checklist - Portable Containers

University Unit:		Sto	orage Location	(bldg/roon	n):	
Container/System (drum, conte	nts, etc):					
(*) designates an item in a non-o	conformance s	tatus. This	indicates that a	action is req	uired to address	s a problem
Item	Inspection	Date:	Inspection	Date:	Inspection	Date:
1.0 Tank Containment / Stora	age Area					
ASTs within designated storage area?	Yes	No*	Yes	No*	Yes	No*
Debris, spills or other fire hazard in containment or storage area?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No
Water in outdoor secondary containment?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No
Drain valves operable and in a closed position?	Yes	No*	Yes	No*	Yes	No*
Containment egress pathways clear and gates/doors operable?	Yes	No*	Yes	No*	Yes	No*
Secondary containment or ground is damaged or stained?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No
2.0 Leak Detection						
Visible signs of leakage around the container, storage area or ground?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No
3.0 Container						
Noticeable container distortions, buckling, denting, bulging or leaking?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No
4.0 Inspector						
Inspector Signature						
Deficiencies and corrective acreported to the Division of Sa	fety and Con	npliance at			orm. All leaks	must be
remarks_						



Annual Inspection Checklist – Oil-filled Operational Equipment

#### Transformer and other Oil-Filled Operational Equipment Inspection:

"Oil-filled operational equipment" is equipment that includes an oil storage container which is present solely to support the function of the apparatus or the device. Oil-filled operational equipment is not considered a bulk storage container, and does not include oil-filled manufacturing equipment (flow-through process).

Examples of oil-filled operational equipment include, but are not limited to:

- hydraulic systems
- lubricating systems
- gear boxes
- machining coolant systems
- heat transfer systems
- transformers
- circuit breakers
- electrical switches
- wind turbines

Oil-filled operational equipment must be visually inspected at least annually and the visual inspection must be documented.

- Use and complete the <u>Oil-filled Operational Equipment Inspection Checklist</u> Designate an individual to conduct container inspections according to the attached checklist or an equivalent method pre-approved by the Division of Safety and Compliance.
- At least annually Inspect the equipment to observe for exterior dents, bulges, holes, missing bungs or caps, rust or other signs that might indicate leakage or potential leakage of contents.
- Remove from service or maintenance any oil-filled operational equipment that appears to pose risk of oil discharge.
- <u>Keep written procedures</u> and a <u>record of inspections</u>, inventories and tests, signed by the appropriate supervisor or designated inspector, with the SPCC Plan at your unit for at least <u>3 years</u>.
- Report problems to the Unit Coordinator for corrective action.
- If you witness or discover a release of a petroleum product notify the appropriate personnel in accordance with SOP-1 Spill Reporting Procedures for University Personnel and Students.



Annual Inspection Checklist – Oil-filled Operational Equipment

### Annual Inspection Checklist - Oil-Filled Equipment

University Unit:	Storage Location (bldg/room):
Container/System (drum, contents, etc):	
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Item	Inspection Date:		Inspection Date:		Inspection Date:	
1.0 Containment / Storage Ar	ea					
ASTs within designated storage area?	Yes	No*	Yes	No*	Yes	No*
Debris, spills or other fire hazard in containment or storage area?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No
Water in outdoor secondary containment?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No
Drain valves operable and in a closed position?	Yes	No*	Yes	No*	Yes	No*
Containment egress pathways clear and gates/doors operable?	Yes	No*	Yes	No*	Yes	No*
Secondary containment or ground is damaged or stained?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No
2.0 Leak Detection						
Visible signs of leakage around the container, storage area or ground?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No
Valve seals or gaskets are leaking?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No
Visible signs of leakage around the tank, concrete pad, containment, ringwall or ground?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No
Cracks in hosing present?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No
3.0 Container/Equipment						
Noticeable container distortions, buckling, denting, bulging or leaking?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No
Equipment is dented, bulging, damaged, or deteriorated?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No



Annual Inspection Checklist – Oil-filled Operational Equipment

4.0 Other Conditions						
Are there other conditions that should be addressed for continued safe operation or that may affect the site SPCC plan?	Yes*	No	Yes*	No	Yes*	No
Ladder and platform structure secure with no sign of severe corrosion or damage?	Yes	No*	Yes	No*	Yes	No*
Security fencing, gates, locks, lighting are functional?	Yes	No*	Yes	No*	Yes	No*
5.0 Inspector						
Inspector Signature						

Deficiencies and corrective actions must be documented on this inspection form. All leaks must be reported to the Division of Safety and Compliance at 217.265.9828.				
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