



OSHA and ANSI/IIAR Compliance

Mechanical Integrity

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# **Process Safety Management**

Cold Storage, dairy, beverage and food processing facilities are continuously struggling with the best solution to meet the requirements of OSHA Process Safety Management (PSM) Standard 29 CFR 1910.119 and IIAR Bulletin 110 for ammonia piping and pressure vessels



### **OHSA Requirements**



Ammonia refrigeration systems with 10,000 pounds or more of ammonia are a covered process subject to the requirements of the Process Safety Management Standard 29 CFR 1910.119

29 CFR 1910.119 (j)(2) States that the employer shall establish and implement all written procedures to maintain the on-going integrity of process equipment.

29 CFR 1910.119 (j)(4) States that inspections and tests shall be performed and documented as applicable to manufactures recommendations for process equipment



# International Institute of Ammonia Refrigeration (IIAR) American National Standards Institute (ANSI)







#### **IIAR Bulletin No. 110**

 Guidelines for: Start-up, Inspection and Maintenance of Ammonia Mechanical Refrigerating Systems

#### ANSI/IIAR Standard 6 (2019)

Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance of Closed-Circuit Ammonia Refrigeration Systems. IIAR 6 establishes the minimum requirements for inspection, testing, and maintenance (ITM) applicable to safe closed-circuit ammonia refrigeration system. It is meant to aid in identifying what components should be inspected, tested, and maintained and how frequently these tasks should be performed. This standard is intended to be incorporated as part of a Mechanical Integrity (MI) Program as recognized and generally accepted good engineering practices (RAGAGEP). It can be used to perform a gap analysis for minimum safe requirements of an owner's existing ITM tasks as well as provide the minimum requirements for ITM record keeping responsibilities.

# **Mechanical Integrity**



Mechanical Integrity (MI) can be defined as the management of critical process equipment to ensure it is designed and installed correctly, and that it operates and is maintained properly (i.e. no leaks and all elements are fit for service). A mechanical integrity program should take into account the inspection and testing of the equipment using procedures that are recognized and generally accepted good engineering practices (RAGAGEP), and should also consider the suitability of newly-fabricated equipment for usage. Written procedures should be established and implemented, and employees tasked with maintaining the ongoing integrity of process equipment should be adequately trained.



## **Mechanical Integrity**



# Ammonia system equipment affected by mechanical integrity provisions of a PSM Program

Pressure Vessels	High-pressure receivers, low-pressure receivers, accumulators, intercoolers, thermosiphon pilot receivers, chillers, surge drums, transfer stations
Piping Systems	Refrigerant piping and valves, safety relief valves and vent systems
Emergency Systems	Fire protection system components, emergency shutdown systems, emergency ventilation, alarms and interlocks, ammonia detection systems
Equipment	Compressors, heat exchangers, evaporators, condensers, desuperheaters, pumps, refrigerant pumps, water pumps
Protective Systems	Insulation systems, vapor retarder, insulation media, jackets, protective coatings
Supports	Foundations, hangers, brackets, stands, anchor bolts, structural supports

# **Process Safety Management**



#### **Potential Areas of Concern**

- Internal and external corrosion and pitting
- ☐ Touch point corrosion at pipe supports and the support condition
- Protective coating, insulation and/or vapor barrier deterioration
- ☐ Pressure safety and relief valves

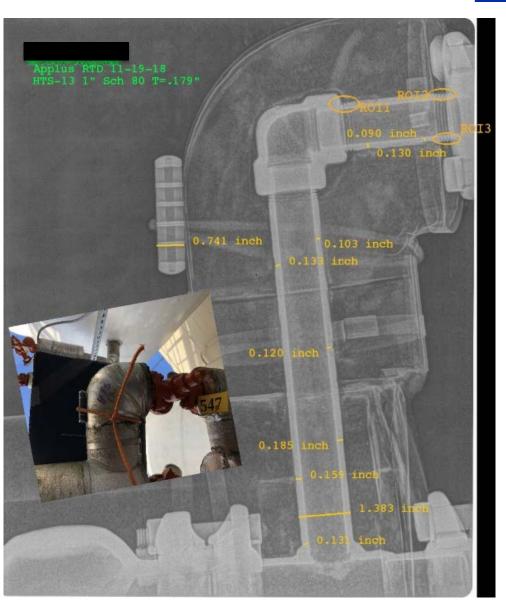
#### **Inspection Methods**

- ✓ API 650/653/510/570 Inspections
- Visual Inspection
  - ✓ Certified Welding Inspectors (CWI)
  - ✓ API
- ✓ Ultrasonic Inspections
  - √ Thickness
  - ✓ Guided Wave
  - **✓**I ORUS
  - ✓ Phased Array
- Computed Radiography
- ✓ Magnetic Particle Inspection
- ✓ Liquid Penetrant
- ✓ Pulsed Eddy Current (PEC)

## **Computed Radiography**

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- ✓ No Removal of insulation
- ✓ Profile view
- ✓ Detect corrosion areas in piping
- ✓ Corrosion Under Insulation (CUI) evaluations
- ✓ Calculate the thickness measurements of small bore piping

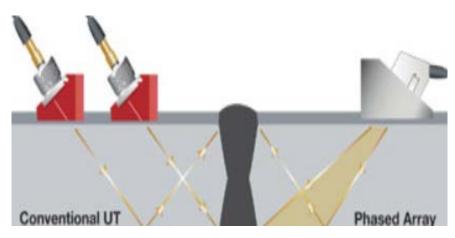


# **Ultrasonic Inspections**



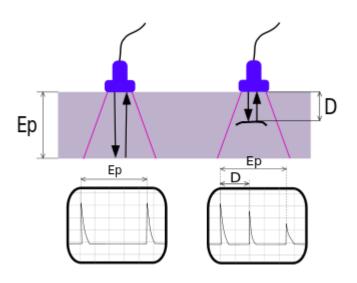
#### **Phased Array**

- ✓ Covers a wider area
- ✓ Corrosion mapping
- ✓ Weld inspection



#### **Ultrasonic Thickness**

- ✓ Traditionally the preferred inspection method
- ✓ Wall Thickness Measurements
- ✓ Provides limited data of the entire asset

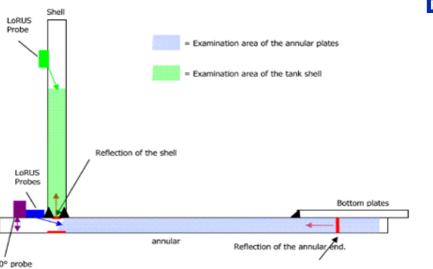


#### **LORUS**



### **Short / Medium Range Ultrasonic**

- ✓ Touch Point Corrosion at Supports
- ✓ In-Service Critical Area Chime Inspection
- ✓ Wall and roof penetration





## Pulsed Eddy Current - RTD INCOTEST



#### **Pulsed Eddy Current (PEC)**

- ✓ Based on Eddy Current Principle
- ✓ Data Digitally Stored
- ✓ Detection of Remaining Average Wall Thickness (AWT)
- ✓ No Contact Needed for the Measurement
- ✓ No Special Surface Preparation Needed
- Measurement Through Insulation and Fireproofing

#### **PEC Applications**

- ✓ Structural Members (CUF)
- ✓ Tower Skirts
- ✓ Pressure Vessels (CUI)
- ✓ Insulated Piping (CUI)
- ✓ Heat Exchanger Shells
- ✓ Insulated Tanks
- ✓ Boilers

#### https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wA27RFZEizU







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