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ADVISEMENT: Ambient Temperature Rating on USCG Detonation Arrester Nameplate



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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

1. Is there a functional concern with our USCG rated detonation arresters in the field?

Absolutely not. All of Protectoseal's USCG rated detonation arresters are designed, tested and manufactured in accordance to the guidelines set forth under USCG 33 CFR Part 154. The guidelines also establish nameplate marking rules requiring manufacturers to include identification information as well as key operating parameters. The original nameplate affixed to the equipment was incorrectly marked as "-35C to +83C" for Ambient Temperature, whereas USCG approved units should reflect "60C". This is a nameplate marking error. Protectoseal assures that the USCG approved detonation arresters currently in the field meet or exceed the performance and safety standards required to achieve the USCG certification.

2. What about other arresters that are not USCG rated?

This advisement only impacts detonation arresters that are USCG approved, affixed with a USCG nameplate.

3. Do I need to replace the nameplate?

The USCG certification on your detonation arrester is completely sound. The only issue is the Ambient Temperature marking on the nameplate. As such, it is recommended that you replace this nameplate with the corrected one supplied by Protectoseal so that the correct information is reflected. Instructions are included with the replacement nameplate.

4. An special precautions necessary for the replacement process?

The replacement process as detailed in the instruction sheet provided is fairly straight forward. However, operators / technicians should practice safety guidelines consistent with what is currently being followed and in full adherence to the installation's hazardous area classification.

5. Where can I find more information on this advisement?

Additional information as well as replacement instructions can be found on our website via the following link:
www.protectoseal.com/news/.