





Efficient Filtration Solutions & Services for Baghouses and Dust Collectors



SOLUTIONS FOR ALL INDUSTRIES





















45 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

Midwesco Filter Resources, Inc. and TDC Filter are part of the MFRI Group. We manufacture filter bags, cages, pleated bags and cartridges for new equipment installations and replacements - supplying a wide range of industries and all types of baghouse designs.

Each one of our filters is manufactured in the US and in Europe using only documented and certified materials and manufacturing methods.

Based on our wide range of high quality products and 45 years of filtration expertise, we have the expertise to find solutions to your most difficult challenges. Our experienced sales team will visit your facility, understand your needs and develop a customized solution to meet those needs.

In addition, we offer a wide range of value added services including turnkey installation and inspection services, emission monitoring equipment, Total Cost of Ownership Savings reports, filter service life testing and more.

WE SPECIALIZE IN FILTRATION SOLUTIONS FOR



ASPHALT



METALS



SAND BLASTING



CEMENT



POWER



PAPER, PULP, WOODWORKING



CHEMICALS



POWDER COATING



OEM



FOOD & BEVERAGE



ROCK PRODUCTS



MISC. MANUFACTURING

Efficient Filtration Solutions & Services for Baghouses and Dust Collectors

WE IDENTIFY NEEDS & CHALLENGES

- > Baghouse performance inspection
- > Used filter analysis to determine optimum filter media for your application
- > Install monitoring equipment to track baghouse performance
- > Free Total Cost of Ownership Savings report

WE IMPLEMENT THE OPTIMUM SOLUTION

- > Install new/replacement filter
- > Apply PreKote® to increase initial efficiency and protect filter during startun
- > Adjust cleaning cycle settings
- > Install monitoring equipment to ensure continuous optimum baghouse performance

WE SELECT THE OPTIMUM SOLUTION

- > Filter bags & cages
- > Pleated bags & cartridges
- > ePTFE membrane & other high efficiency finishes
- > Filter cleaning accessories

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Wide Range of High Quality Filter Bags & Cages

- Manufactured by skilled workers in company-owned plants in the U.S.

Pulse Jet Bags & Filter Support Cages



Reverse Air Bags & Seamless Tube



Shaker Bags



Maximum Continuous Operating Temperature

170°F 180°F 260°F 275°F 375°F 375°F ^{up to} 500°F 500°F

Specifications & Options

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construction options available	otton	olypr	crylic	olyes	ramic	PS	84	
Filter Media	0	_	⋖	_	⋖		₾	

Pulse Jet Bags & Filter Support Cages										
Filter Bag Tops	Double Beaded Snap Band or Snap Ring									
	Flange Top or Flange with Ring									
	Raw Edge or Hem									
Filter Bag Bottoms	Single Disc									
	Double Disc									
	Wear Strip or Wear Skirt									
Filter Cage Tops	Turn Down Flange with or without Venturi installed									
	Split Collar									
	Split Ring									
	Flat Flange									
Filter Cage Bottoms	Welded Pan									
Special finishes and	Special finishes and ePTFE membrane laminates available on most filter media options = Available options									

Reverse Air Bags & Seamless Tube

Filter Bag Tops Compression Band Top (with or without cap)						
Filter Bag Bottoms	Cord inserted Cuff					
	Double Beaded Snap Band					
	Compression Band					
Shaker Bags						
Filter Bag Tops	Strap Top					
	Grommet or Loop Top					
	Hanger Top					
	Multi-Pocket and Envelope					
Filter Bag Bottoms	Double Beaded Snap band					
	Cord Inserted Cuff/Hem					

Stitched Flat

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Below, you will find our preliminary suggestions for filter media for each industry. However since site-specific issues might dictate a different media solution, we suggest that you draw upon the expertise of your Midwesco/TDC Filter sales representative to select the optimum media alternative.

APPLICATION

Industry	Cotton	Polypropylene	Acrylic	Polyester	Aramid	PPS	P84	Fiberglass	PTFE
Asphalt									
Cement									
Chemicals									
Food & Beverage *									
Metals									
Power									
Powder Coating									
Rock Products									
Sand Blasting									
Paper, Pulp, Woodworking									
OEM OEM									
Misc. Manufacturing									

^{*}FDA Compliant as needed

FILTER BAGS

MEDIA TYPES

Fiber		Available In	Tensile Strength	Abrasion Resistance	Acid Resistance	Alkali Resistance	Support Combustion	Operating Temp °F
	Cotton	Woven	**	**	*	**	Yes	170
	Polypropylene	Woven, Felted	****	****	****	***	Yes	180
	Acrylic	Woven, Felted	**	**	***	*	Yes	260
	Polyester	Woven, Felted, Knit Seamless tube ™	***	***	*	*	Yes	275
	Aramid	Woven, Felted	***	***	*	**	No	375
	PPS	Woven, Felted	***	***	****	***	No	375
	P84	Woven, Felted	***	***	***	*	No	Up to 500 ^A
	Fiberglass	Woven, Felted	****	*	**	*	No	500
	PTFE	Woven, Felted	**	*	****	****	No	500

A) Depending on chemistry and moisture

FINISHES

THRIGHEO	
Fabric Finishes	Benefit
Singed	Improved cake release
Eggshell/glaze	Short-term dust cake release improvement (may impede air flow)
Silicone	Improved dust cake release
PTFE	Acid degradation properties; oil and water repellant
Flame Retardant	Retards combustibility (not flame-proof)
Acrylic coating	Improved efficiency and dust cake release (may impede flow in some applications)
ePTFE membrane	Reduced emissions, aids in recovery from upset conditions, longer bag life
Fiberglass Finishes	Benefits
Silicone,graphite, PTFE	Protects glass yarns from abrasion. For non acidic application, cement and foundry
Acid Resistant	Protects glass yarn from acid attack and abrasion. For CFB, carbon black, incinerators, cement, boilers, metals
PTFE	Protects glass yarns from abrasion, enhances fiber to fiber resistance. For mild ph conditions base load boilers
Chemical Resistant	Protects glass yarns from acid and alkali attack and abrasion
ePTFE membrane	Reduces emissions, aids in recovery from upset conditions, longer bag life

For more information on ePTFE membrane, please see page 16-17

^{*}Fair **Good ***Very good ****Excellent

Pleated Bags

- a Cost-effective Alternative to Filter Bags



TOP CAP

- > Top loading
- > Bottom loading

FILTER MEDIA

- > The pleats equals 2-3 times more filter area compared to filter bags
- > Can be equipped with TDC Filter's wide selection of filter media

OUTSIDE STRAPS

- > Glued strap
- > WeldTECH™ strap

INNER CORE

- > Polypropylene core
- > Expanded metal core
- > Expanded helix core

BOTTOM CAP

IMB (Integrated Molded Bottom)

For more information on construction options, see page 15.

Order a free Total Cost of Ownership Savings Report

Often, economic benefits can be gained by upgrading a filter bag solution to a pleated bag solution. With our savings report based on your specific baghouse details, you receive a full overview of how much a pleated bag solution can:

- > maximize air flow through your baghouse
- > reduce energy and maintenance cost
- > extend the life cycle of your filters
- > lower your emissions



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PLEATED BAGS





PLEAT PLUS® PLEATED FILTER BAG

MORE INFO, PAGE 26-27

Filter length	Up to 33 feet	Max. 80"	Sect. 8
Filter surface area	Conventional	2-3 times larger than bag filter	Sect. 8
Life cycle	Normal	Excellent	Sect. 2, 4 & 6-9
Installation/maintenance	Labor intensive	60% lower installation and maintenance costs	Sect. 6, 9
Abrasion/leaks	Can occour	Low abrasion risk - out of the abrasion path	Sect. 6, 9
Emission level	Limited	58% lower emissions	Sect. 6
Power consumption	Acceptable	50% Lower energy consumption	
Air required for cleaning	As designed	50% - 70% Less cleaning air consumed	Sect. 1-4
Flow (ACFM)	Limited	20% higher throughput /ACFM	Sect. 8
Pressure drop	As designed	20% lower than conventional filter bag	
Drop out box	Small	Larger	Sect. 9

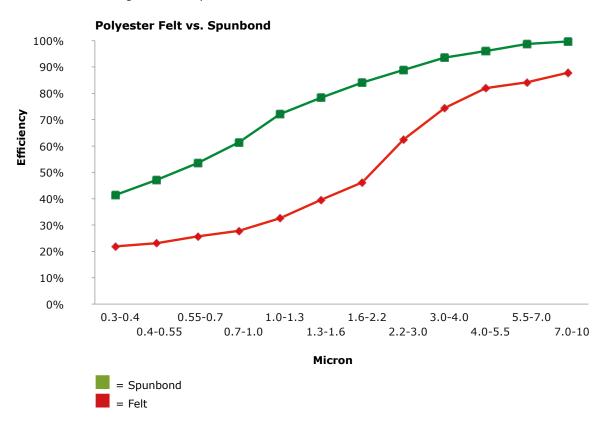
Testing confirms that spun bonded polyester media allows less than half the emission of felt fabrics

With test parameters using 0.5 micron silica dust, 5:1 air-to-cloth ratio and grain loading of 30 gr/ACFM, outlet emissions were only .0025 gr/ACFM. The 16 oz. polyester felt media outlet emissions was over twice as high with emissions of .0060 gr/ACFM.

Filter Bags vs. Pleated Bags - Filter Media Comparison

SPUNBOND MEDIA VS. POLYESTER FELT ALLOWS:

- > 30% more air through existing dust collector
- > Smaller overall height on new collector
- > Great for restarting old collector
- > Can reduce the number of filters needed
- > Lower energy cost
- > Longer filter life cycle



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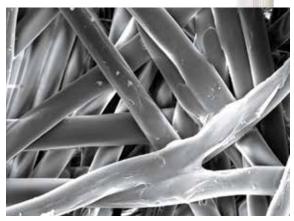




Polyester felt is a thermoplastic filter media. Characteristics of felt:

- > Depth filtration media
- > Low cost
- > Multiple treatments and finishes available

SPUNBOND



Spunbond (SB) filter media is a non-woven, 100% synthetic spunbond polyester media. It can significantly increase baghouse operating performance due to its key benefits:

- > Surface filtration media
- > Higher efficiencies versus conventional felt
- > High dust release
- > High durability
- > Moisture resistant
- > Lower operating delta P
- > Higher throughput /ACFM
- > Multiple finishes and treatments are available

DEPTH



SURFACE



DEPTH VS. SURFACE FILTRATION

The benefits of surface filtration are:

- > Less accumulation of dust
- > Less pressure drop
- > Longer filter life cycle

Wide Range of High Quality Pleated Bags

- Manufactured by skilled workers in company-owned plants in the U.S. & Europe



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Maximum operating temperature

275°F

375°F

200°F

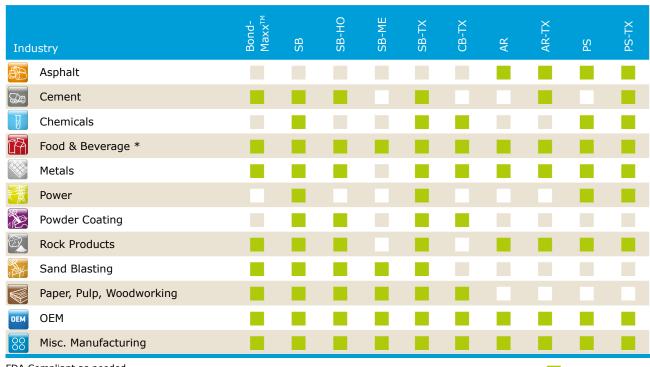
Specifications & Options

- Brief overview of the different construction options available

		Spunbond Poly	Spunbond Poly	> PPS > Aramid
Top & bottom loader		•		
IntegraSeal™		•	•	•
Seal-Tite II		•	•	•
Polypropylene		•		
Metal		•	•	•
Low temperature integrated molded bottom		•	•	
High temperature integrated molded bottom		•	•	•
Weldtech™ - Ultrasonic welding minimizes trapping of dust behind strap	www.tdcfilter.	•	•	•
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Filter Media for your Application

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FDA Compliant as needed

= Available options

Standard Product Guide - Pleated

Name	Material	Treatment	MERV Rating	
BondMaxx™	100% synthetic	-	10	
SB	100% synthetic	-	12	
SB-HO	100% synthetic	Hydrophopic & oleophobic	11	
SB-ME	100% synthetic	Conductive	11	
SB-TX	100% synthetic	ePTFE membrane	16	
CB-TX	100% synthetic	Conductive+ePTFE	16	
AR	100% Aramid High temperature	-	-	
AR-TX	100% Aramid High temperature	ePTFE membrane	16	
PS	100% PPS High temperature	-	10	
PS-TX	100% PPS High temperature	ePTFE membrane	16	

HO = hydrophobic and oleophobic treatment = water and oil repellant

TX = ePTFE membrane = Media contains a membrane - the most dust resistant solution available

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PLEATED BAGS



Max. continuous operating temperature F	Oil/water	Hydrolysis	Acid	Alkali	Dust release
375	**	*	**	*	***
375	**	*	**	*	***
375	****	*	**	*	***
375	**	*	**	*	***
275	***	*	**	**	***
275	***	**	**	*	***
275	**	*	**	**	**
275	***	*	**	**	****
275	*	***	****	***	*
275	***	***	****	***	****

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ePTFE Membrane Technology

- Helps you meet EPA requirements



ePTFE MEMBRANE



ePTFE MEMBRANE TECHNOLOGY EQUALS INCREASED EFFICIENCY

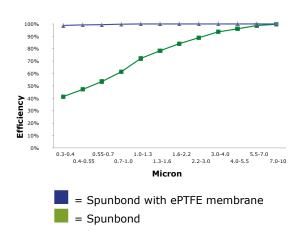
High durability, high efficiency, ePTFE membrane helps meet EPA requirements (PM2.5, MACT, NESHAP).

ePTFE Membrane will benefit Total Cost of Ownership as a result of:

- > Reduced emissions (PM10, PM2.5 and Sub-Micron PM)
- > Lower operating differential pressure
- > Longer effective life cycle of bags and pleated bags
- > Aids in recovery from upset conditions such as moisture, boiler tube leaks, etc.
- > Provides a chemical barrier to particulate matter
- > Full collection efficiency upon start up as a result of high initial efficiency
- > Reduced consumption of cleaning air
- > Fan energy savings
- > Higher throughput capabilities reduce capital costs as a smaller dust collector can match the dust collection demand

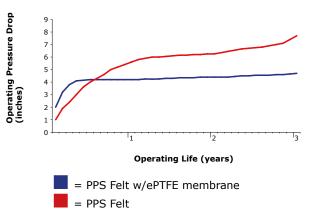


Spunbond efficiency with and without ePTFE membrane



PPS Felt pressure drop comparison with and without ePTFE membrane

Actual Field Data - 565 MW Boiler





Baghouse Inspections, Change-out & Maintenance Services

We provide full inspection and change-out services. Whether your equipment needs routine, preventative, or emergency maintenance services, Midwesco Filter Resources and TDC Filter has experienced crews that are OSHA, MSHA, and HAZWOPER trained. Also, we are ISNetworld® qualified.



Laboratory Testing & Filter Analysis

With our strong technical team and our laboratory facilities, we act as a consultant to our customers and advise about the optimum filter solution for specific applications with the aim to obtain lower Total Cost of Ownership.

In our lab we provide testing such as

- > Media physicals
- > Filter life expectancy evaluations
- > Reverse engineering
- > Failed filter analysis
- > Contaminant analysis
- > Particle sizing
- > Custom testing based on individual requirements



Total Cost of Ownership Savings Report

Our savings report based on your specific baghouse details gives you full overview of:

- > How you can maximize air flow through your baghouse
- > How to reduce energy and maintenance cost
- > How to maximize the life cycle of your filters
- > How to lower your emissions. Order your free report with your sales rep.

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Baghouse Renovation

We provide turnkey project management on rebuilding or renovation of your baghouse.

- > Rebuilding, renovation & repairs
- > Structural modifications
- > Conversions from old shakers to pulse jet baghouses
- > Conversion from bag filters to pleated bags





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BROKEN BAG DETECTOR

PCME Electrodynamic $^{\text{TM}}$ technology allows for remote reporting of the condition of single and multi compartment filters. Emission warning alarms prevent dust emission levels to breach regulatory limits and thereby eliminates the lost production time normally associated with unscheduled plant shutdowns.





LEAK SEEKER®

Quick and easy test for leaks in your system

Utilizing Leak Seeker® as part of your regular baghouse maintenance program helps you avoid costly unscheduled shutdowns. Our Leak Seeker® is ideal for preventive maintenance use and offers a low cost, effective way of locating broken filter bags or pleated bags, cracked tube sheets or faulty seals.

The Leak Seeker® system contains an illuminating light and tracing powder used to reveal the exact location and severity of leakage.

- > Supplied in 5 lb., 25 lb., Case of 4 x 5 lb. and 300 lb. containers
- > Black lights available are flash light, spot light, lantern and wand



HANGERS & SPRING ASSEMBLIES FOR FILTER BAGS

Replacement of worn, bent or poorly designed hanging assemblies in reverse air and shaker systems can extend filter bag life and improve cleaning and overall equipment performance.

Options:

- > Linear, conical or barrel springs
- > 17-7 ph stainless or chrome silica wire in a variety of dimensions
- > J-bolts and double drawbar assemblies
- > Pins and washers
- Strap and loop hangers

ACCESORIES



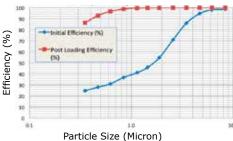
PREKOTE®

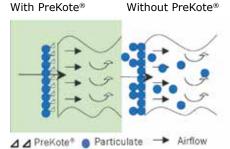
Increases initial efficiency & protects filter during start up

- > Creates a highly permeable, protective layer on the surface of the filter media and increases filter performance
- > Improves dust cake release
- > Ensures longer filter life
- > Ideal for applications where moisture and oil are present
- > Prekote® is chemically inert, non-toxic and pH neutral
- > Does not contain lime or diatomaceous earth
- > Supplied in 25 lb., 450 lb. super sacks or via bulk truck
- > Can be pre-applied to pleated bags and cartridges



ASHRAE 52.2 Initial Efficiency Comparison 650 CFM, PreKote®: Expanded Perlite





ACCESSORIES FOR BAGHOUSES

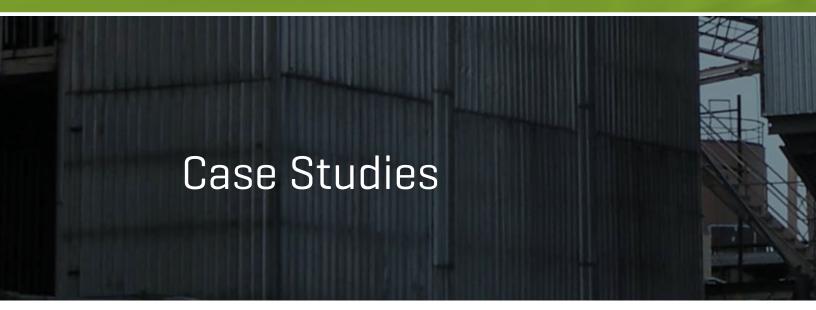
We are the total solution provider for original equipment replacement parts for baghouses:

- > Pulse Valves and Repair Kits
- > Air Headers
- > Pressure Gauges
- > Bulkhead connectors
- > Door Gasket
- > Clamps
- > Sonic Horns

- > Timers
- > Tube Line Cleaner™ (TLC)
- > Mobile Analyzer
- > Go-Co Nozzles
- > Rotary Air Locks and Dump Valves
- > Bag Cups and Venturis
- > Etc.



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ePTFE Membrane solves Outlet Emission Breach in Baghouse

PROBLEM

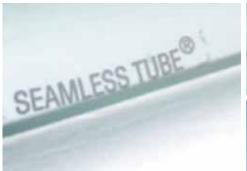
A 475MW boiler with an ESP needed major upgrades or replacement to meet present and future emissions and regulation requirements.

SOLUTION

The ESP casing was converted to a 16 module pulse jet system with Midwesco's 21 oz. woven fiberglass, acid resistant, ePTFE membrane filter bags. Total amount of filters: 16,112.

RESULT

The new solution provided significant cost savings when compared to the alternative; a complete structural replacement. Also, the stack opacity is now close to zero in accordance with the compliance strategy for PM 2.5 fine particulate control. Filter bag life guarantee was 3 years.





Longer Life, Lower Cost Seamless Tube provided up to 15% reduction in power and increased filtration efficiency

PROBLEM

A mini-mill needed filter bags for their newly installed positive pressure, reverse-gas cleaned baghouse on their EAF shop to handle 1,115,000 ACFM of flow with KO61 dust entrained. The permit stated .0032 gr/DSCF particulate capture efficiency.

SOLUTION

Midwesco supplied and installed 4200 Seamless Tube® RT02 filter bags and hanging assemblies. During installation and pre-start up, leak seeker and PreKote® was applied. Midwesco handled pre-start up operations and assisted in establishing the most efficient cleaning cycles.

RESULT

- > Baghouse tested at .0008 gr/DSCF initially
- > Five years after start up, the baghouse re-tested at .0013 gr/DSCF
- > Six years after commissioning, the baghouse operates at 4" 5.5" DP with no visible emissions

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CASE STUDIES









Coal Fired Industrial Boiler Limitations solved by upgrading to PleatPlus® Pleated Bags and New Valves

Region: Southwest US

PROBLEM

A load-limited boiler could not sustain full load operations. The boiler was running at 8" delta P

SOLUTION

Midwesco/TDC Filter provided a turnkey solution which included:

- > Inspection of the plant and the problem
- > Assistance in selecting the ideal filter design and media to the specific application and conditions PleatPlus® pleated bags with PPS media and ePTFE membrane solved the problem
- > Offline installation of filters
- > Installation of Mecair® high-capacity pulse valves increased the cleaning capacity by more than 47%
- > Operational guidance and assistance

RESULT

The boiler operates at maximum capacity. Maximum output has resulted in lower cost-per-ACFM at the baghouse.

- > 39% increase in flow from 287,000 to 401,000 ACFM
- > 14.7% drop in average module delta P
- > 4.2% reduction in opacity per ACFM
- > Exceeded estimated performance





Underperforming pulse jet baghouses are usually the result of high dust loading, inefficient cleaning systems - or a combination of both. Left unchecked, these problems can result in process bottlenecks and increased operating costs. Below are some steps you can take to avoid this from happening. If you need assistance, we have the unique expertise to identify and solve baghouse problems.

Recommended General Operation parameters:

Pressure 90-100 PSI (May vary depending on material type)

Frequency (off time) 20 seconds or minimum time to maintain the desired differential pressure

Duration (on time) 150 milliseconds

Reservoir

Poor filter cleaning can be the result of undersized or restricted cleaning system components. It is important to make sure that there are not any restrictions starting from the compressor all the way to the reservoir. Also, ensure that your header tank size matches your cleaning requirements.

Cleaning Air

Ensure better cleaning with tanks that are kept free of moisture and debris as they can substantially impact the ability to clean the filters.

Pulse Frequency

The pulsing frequency can never be any faster than the reservoir can recover to full pulsing pressure.

WRONG RIGHT



4 Pulse Sequence

The pulse sequence should be adjusted to ensure that newly cleaned filters do not take in dust from the neighboring filter being pulsed. Staggering the firing order helps reduce cross contamination.

GUIDE



5 Hopper

Should not be used for storage. Evacuation equipment (rotary valves, screw conveyors, etc.) should be sized to unload hopper before accumulation occurs. Units with slide gates should be left open and equipped with sealed drum adapters.



6 Emission/bleed through

Due to emission regulations sometimes enforcing a change of filter media, still more dust collector owners seize this opportunity to upgrade to a more efficient filter media, which helps filter even the smallest particles thereby providing users the potential to recycle more of their valuable product and/or meet the required reduced emissions requirements.

To reduce emission/bleed through, advantages can be achieved by upgrading from conventional filter bags to pleated bags with spunbond media or media with an ePTFE membrane.

Choice of media

All dust types have specific characteristics and requires different handling. Therefore, it is often not enough to use a plain polyester media. Purchasing an enhanced treated/coated media (for example ePTFE membrane, HO treatment or antistatic surface) often turns out to be profitable as a result of better pulse cleaning.

Some of the factors that influence the right choice of media are humidity, temperature, conductivity and acid.

8 Air flow

Several issues can cause reduced air flow in the dust collector. The most common problem is the balance between the cleaning of filters and dust loading into the collector. These factors strongly influence the amount of airflow the system can handle. If you need to handle more ACFM, more filter area is usually required.

Some customers choose to purchase longer bags or a new collector with more bags. Others choose a pleated bag solution which increases the filter area.

g Drop out box

The drop out box is the distance between the bottom of the filters and the hopper. The greater the distance, the better the conditions are for the heavier dust particles to be dropped from the airflow before contacting the filter surface area. To optimize the drop out box, install pleated bags which are shorter, as well as having more surface area. The increased drop out box removes the filter from the abrasion zone.

High velocity airflow containing dust



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