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Manual

DuraVane

Lubricated and lubricated for saturated air (wet) service rotary vane vacuum pumps and systems

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INTRODUCTION

DuraVane rotary vane vacuum pumps and systems haven been designed to give you safe, reliable and trouble-free service, provided some of the basic maintenance guidelines as set out in this manual are followed. A vacuum pump is a rotating piece of equipment and operators must exercise good judgment and follow proper safety procedures to avoid damage to the equipment or personal injury. Please review and follow all instructions in this manual before attempting to install, start or operate equipment.

Safety

All products offered by DEKKER have been designed and manufactured for safe operation. However, the responsibility for safe operation rests with those who use and maintain these products. Your safety department should establish a safety program based on OSHA, federal, state and local codes. It is important that due consideration be given to hazards which arise from the presence of electrical power, hot liquids, toxic gases and rotating equipment. Proper installation and care of protective devices is essential to safe pump and system operation. These safety procedures are to be used in conjunction with the instructions contained in this manual.

STORAGE

Keep the pump or system in a cool, dry environment and plug all open ports to keep out dirt and foreign objects.

INSTALLATION

The design of foundation, piping system and plant system design is the responsibility of the purchaser. DEKKER Vacuum Technologies, Inc. and its representatives may offer advice but cannot assume responsibility for operation and installation design.

Please consult an authorized dealer or a specialist skilled in the design of plant layout, system piping design and foundation design. The installer should carefully read this manual before installing the equipment. DEKKER or your local dealer can provide start-up assistance in most instances at reasonable cost.

Unpacking

Upon receipt of pump or system, immediately inspect for signs of damage. Carefully remove the packing or crating from around the pump or system. Be sure to keep equipment in the upright position. DEKKER products are shipped F.O.B. factory, which means that any damage is the responsibility of the carrier and should be reported to them.

Lifting

Lift the equipment carefully and with weight evenly distributed. DEKKER is not responsible for equipment that has been damaged through mishandling or dropping.

Location

Install the unit in a well ventilated and dust free area. The pump or system should be a minimum distance of 3 feet from surrounding walls to allow for checking fluid level, temperatures, pressures and general servicing.

Whenever the pump is transported, be sure to drain the oil to avoid damage to the vanes when the pump is restarted. **Do not tip pump over if filled with oil.**

Mounting

The pump or system must be installed on a level surface in a horizontal position. The foundation must be designed to support the total unit weight without any settlement or crushing, be rigid and substantial enough to absorb any equipment vibration, maintain true alignment with any drive mechanism, and must permanently support the system base plate at all points.

The vacuum system must be leveled and secured with foundation bolts. Foundation bolts must be of adequate size to withstand the mechanical stresses exerted on it.

Systems larger than 40hp should also be grouted into position. The foundation should be constructed to allow for ¾ to 1 ½ inch of grout. The baseplate is set on shims, and the grout is poured between the foundation and the base plate. To have the required strength to support the baseplate, the grout should be at least ¾ inch thick.

The number and location of shims will be determined by the design of the baseplate. Firm support should be provided at points where weight will be concentrated at the anchor bolt locations. Use enough, and large enough shims to provide rigid support. Baseplates are usually designed with openings to allow pouring grout. When the baseplate has been shimmed and leveled, and the anchor bolts have been snugly tightened, a dam is constructed around the foundation to contain the grout. The dam level should be at least $\frac{1}{2}$ inch above the top surface of the shims. Grout should be poured inside and around the outside of the base plate and leveled. Allow the grout to dry for a minimum of 48 hours before tightening the anchor bolts.

Please note that the pump/motor coupling and V-belt units will need to be realigned prior to startup, except with monoblock units.

Ventilation

Locate the pump or system in an area with sufficient airflow and accessibility. To prevent excessive ambient temperature rise, it is imperative to provide adequate ventilation. Cooling is an important aspect of reliable equipment operation and it is therefore important to install the unit in a reasonably cool area, where temperatures do not exceed 100°F (38°C). For higher ambient temperatures, contact the factory.

Electrical Preparation

All system wiring is performed at the factory if a control panel is supplied. Check area classification to ensure all electrical enclosures comply to code. Required customer wiring is minimal, but should be done by a qualified electrician in compliance with OSHA, National Electric Code and applicable local electric code concerning isolation switches, fused disconnects, etc. DEKKER includes a wiring diagram in the control panel for use by the installer. DEKKER recommends that a main disconnect switch be fitted between the vacuum pump or system and the incoming power.

After the electrical wiring connections are completed, check the incoming voltage to make sure that the incoming voltage is the same as the pump or system voltage. Line voltage should be within the voltage tolerance as specified on the motor. Check the unit for proper motor rotation. The direction of rotation is marked by an arrow on the motor or pump housing. Jog the motor by pressing the START button, then the STOP button. If the rotation is incorrect, switch any two of the three main power leads on the contactor inside the control panel. Failure to do so could result in serious equipment damage.

WARNING: Install, ground and maintain equipment in accordance with the National Electric Code and all applicable federal, state and local codes.

WARNING: For NFPA 99 hospital and generator applications, please shut down the vacuum pumps prior to generator testing. The rapid stop and restart may cause damage to the pump and/or motor.

Pipe Connections and Sizing

Before installation, remove all protective inserts in the gas and liquid connections. Piping connected to the unit must be installed without imposing any strain on the unit components. Improperly installed piping can result in misalignment, general operating problems and pump failure. Use flexible connectors where necessary. Piping must be cleaned of debris before installation.

The piping system has to be designed to ensure that no liquids such as condensate or liquid carried over from the process can reach the pump. If this possibility exists, a knock-out liquid separator should be installed. Consult the factory for recommendation.

Inlet Piping

Inlet piping should be at least the size of the pump inlet. Install the unit as close as possible to the process to minimize losses due to the length of the suction line. If the unit has to be installed further away from the process, be sure that the inlet piping is oversized accordingly to minimize the overall line pressure drop. For more information consult your dealer or call the factory.

All **DuraVane** systems operating in parallel on a common manifold each have a manual or automatic shut-off valve and a suitable check valve installed in the suction line close to the pump suction flange. In addition DEKKER recommends installing an additional check valve suitable for vacuum service, providing a minimum of resistance close to the pump suction flange to prevent backflow of process gas and oil when the pump is stopped.

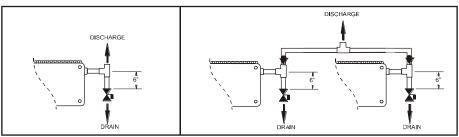
If the possibility exists that the inlet gas pumped contains dust or foreign particles, a suitable (10 micron or finer) inlet filter should be installed at the inlet port. It is good practice to install this accessory at all times, as it will increase the life of the pump. All pumps are fitted with a stainless steel inlet screen.

Discharge Piping

Do not discharge the exhaust gases from the pump or system into the area where the system is installed. Vapors pulled over from the process could be hazardous. Discharge piping should be at least the size of the pump discharge. DEKKER recommends the installation of a dripleg with tee on the discharge line, to prevent any condensed vapors discharged by the pump from draining back into the pump oil reservoir. See diagram below.

For pumps and systems operating in parallel on a common discharge, we recommend the installation of a suitable check valve close to the discharge. When discharging more than one unit in a common discharge line and/or over a long distance, oversize pipe accordingly.

Discharge piping diagrams



Following are the inlet and discharge connection sizes for the different pump models:

| PUMP | INLET SIZE | DISCHARGE SIZE | |
|-------------|------------|----------------|--|
| MODEL | 0.400.4 | 0.4011.4 | |
| RVL002H | 3/8" hose | 3/8" hose | |
| RVL003H | 3/8" hose | - | |
| RVL006H | 3/8" NPT | - | |
| RVL010H | ½" NPT | - | |
| RVL013H | ½" NPT | ½"NPT | |
| RVL020H | ½" NPT | ½" NPT | |
| RVL030H | 1" NPT | 1 1/4" NPT | |
| RVL050H | 1 ½"NPT | 1 ½" NPT | |
| RVL070H | 1 ½"NPT | 1 ½"NPT | |
| RVL075H | 1 ½" NPT | 1 ½"NPT | |
| RVL110H | 1 ½" NPT | 1 ½" NPT | |
| RVL125H | 2" NPT | 2" NPT | |
| RVL145H | 2" NPT | 2" NPT | |
| RVL200H | 2" NPT | 2" NPT | |
| RVL215H | 2" NPT | 2" NPT | |
| RVL300HH/LH | 3" NPT | 3" NPT | |
| RVL400HH/LH | 3" NPT | 3" NPT | |
| RVL550HH/LH | 4" NPT | 3" NPT | |
| RVL700HH/LH | 4" NPT | 3" NPT | |
| RVL020W | ½" NPT | 1⁄2" NPT | |
| RVL030W | 1" NPT | 1 ¼" NPT | |
| RVL050W | 1 ½" NPT | 1 ¼" NPT | |
| RVL070W | 1 ½" NPT | 1 ¼" NPT | |

THEORY OF OPERATION

DuraVane lubricated rotary vane pumps are single-stage pumps with an integrated closed loop oil circulation system. The construction is heavy-duty and compact, resulting in a small footprint. The high-tech vane material provides 50,000 hours vane life. The pumps have an internally mounted inlet check valve. Pumps are direct driven with flange-mounted motor. The standard design is air-cooled with a high-efficiency multi-stage exhaust filter that results in 99.9% oil mist removal.

Pump can operate with closed suction without overheating

Pump Lubricant

All pumps are shipped without oil. A charge of our factory recommended **Duratex** lubricant is shipped in a separate container with each pump. Before filling the pump with oil, check that the pump is installed level. Fill the pump with the recommended lubricant (see "Oil capacity table" below) through the oil fill plug until it reaches the 1/2 way mark of the sight glass.

WARNING: Do not overfill the pump.

Do not add or fill oil when the pump is running. Do not fill oil through the inlet or exhaust port.

We recommend the use of our specially formulated Duratex oils for obtaining ultimate performance from your vacuum pump or system. The specially formulated Duratex oils are high quality vacuum pump oils that provide better lubrication at high operating temperatures and prolong the life of the unit and exhaust filters. When DEKKER's specially formulated Duratex oils are used in units shipped from the factory, the unit will be covered by an extended warranty period. Use of non-approved oils can result in damage to the unit, which may void warranty. For warranty information see last page.

Pumps for saturated air (wet) service

The **DuraVane** RVL-W series are specifically designed to handle air saturated with water vapor. The oil separation reservoir contains special baffles and the oil filter is replaced by a clear sight glass. The water vapor condensing in the pump is separated from the oil and shows up in the sight glass. A drain valve is fitted on the reservoir. When water shows up in the sight glass, stop the pump for 5-10 minutes to allow the water to settle and then open the drain valve to drain the water from the reservoir.

Gas ballast Valve

All **DuraVane** pumps are equipped with a gas ballast valve. Its main function is to prevent water vapor from condensing in the pump, which would cause emulsification of the lubricating oil, resulting in possible pump seizure.

If the pump does not reach the ultimate vacuum of 0.5 Torr, it indicates that the oil is contaminated with process vapors or water. To clean out the pump, close the inlet valve completely and operate the pump for 30 minutes in order to remove any condensables from the oil. If after 30 minutes, the pump still does not reach the ultimate vacuum: stop pump and change oil.

Oil capacity table

Use the table below for oil capacities and containers of **Duratex** oil available:

| Pump Model | Oil Ca | pacity | Container | Standard (1000 hour life) | Synthetic – Long Life (2000 hour life) |
|--------------------|--------|--------|-----------|------------------------------|---|
| Duratex oil | quart | liters | size | Oil | Oil |
| RVL002H | 0.06 | 0.06 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-004 | 5210-0002-005 |
| DURATEX 32 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-004 | 5210-0010-005 |
| RVL003H | 0.06 | 0.06 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-004 | 5210-0002-005 |
| DURATEX 32 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-004 | 5210-0010-005 |
| RVL006H | 0.25 | 0.24 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-004 | 5210-0002-005 |
| DURATEX 32 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-004 | 5210-0010-005 |
| RVL010H | 0.3 | 0.28 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-004 | 5210-0002-005 |
| DURATEX 32 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-004 | 5210-0010-005 |
| RVL013H | 0.3 | 0.28 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-004 | 5210-0002-005 |
| DURATEX 32 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-004 | 5210-0010-005 |
| RVL020H | 1.0 | 0.95 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-001 | 5210-0002-002 |
| DURATEX 68 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-001 | 5210-0010-002 |
| RVL030H | 1.6 | 1.51 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-001 | 5210-0002-002 |
| DURATEX 68 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-001 | 5210-0010-002 |
| RVL050H | 1.6 | 1.51 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-001 | 5210-0002-002 |
| DURATEX 68 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-001 | 5210-0010-002 |
| RVL070H | 2.7 | 2.56 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-000 | 5210-0002-003 |
| DURATEX 100 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-000 | 5210-0010-003 |
| RVL075H | 2.8 | 2.65 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-000 | 5210-0002-003 |
| DURATEX 100 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-000 | 5210-0010-003 |
| RVL110H | 2.8 | 2.65 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-000 | 5210-0002-003 |
| DURATEX 100 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-000 | 5210-0010-003 |
| RVL125H/L | 8.5 | 8 | 1 gallon | - | 5210-0010-014* |
| DURATEX 100 | | | | | |
| RVL145H | 5 | 4.73 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-000 | 5210-0002-003 |
| DURATEX 100 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-000 | 5210-0010-003 |
| RVL200H/L | 8.5 | 8 | 1 gallon | - | 5210-0010-014* |
| DURATEX 100 | | | | | |
| RVL215H | 5 | 4.73 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-000 | 5210-0002-003 |
| DURATEX 100 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-000 | 5210-0010-003 |
| RVL300HH/LH | 11 | 10.45 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-000 | 5210-0002-003 |
| DURATEX 100 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-000 | 5210-0010-003 |
| RVL400HH/LH | 11 | 10.45 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-000 | 5210-0002-003 |
| DURATEX 100 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-000 | 5210-0010-003 |
| RVL550HH/LH | 26 | 24.7 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-000 | 5210-0002-003 |
| DURATEX 100 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-000 | 5210-0010-003 |
| RVL700HH/LH | 26 | 24.7 | 1 quart | 5210-0002-000 | 5210-0002-003 |
| DURATEX 100 | | | 1 gallon | 5210-0010-000 | 5210-0010-003 |

(*Duratex Synthetic plus)

Material Safety Data Sheets available upon request.

Note: For ambient operating temperatures lower than 40°F or higher than 100°F, we recommend our specially formulated **Duratex synthetic** oil.

START-UP PROCEDURES

| 1 | DuraVane rotary vane vacuum pumps and systems are shipped from the factory dry. They do not contain oil. A container of Duratex oil is shipped with the unit. Before operating add the supplied oil to the pump(s). Fill the pump(s) to the middle of the sight glass before start-up. | MAX— MIN— |
|---|--|---|
| 2 | Completely close the inlet suction valve before starting the unit. | |
| 3 | Jog the motor briefly (press START then STOP) and check direction of rotation which is marked by an arrow on the end of the motor or pump housing. If the direction is backwards, switch any two of the three leads at the power connection. A loud grinding noise and absence of vacuum is an indication of improper motor direction. | |
| | WARNING: OPERATING PUMP BACKWARD CAN CAUSE VANE FAILURE. | |
| 4 | Start and run the unit for approximately five (5) minutes, then stop. | START STOP 5 minutes |
| 5 | With the unit shut off, check the oil level again. The oil level should be visible in the middle of the bulls-eye gauge. Add oil if necessary. | |
| | WARNING: NEVER REMOVE THE OIL FILL PLUG WHILE THE VACUUM PUMP SYSTEM IS RUNNING. | MAX — MIN — |
| 6 | Start the unit and adjust the inlet suction valve to your desired vacuum setting. Check that the discharge pressure does not exceed 2 psig when operating above 15" HgV. A pressure higher than 2 psig at start-up is a sign of high backpressure in the discharge pipe system. As the running time of the pump(s) increases the backpressure will increase. | KEDVT |
| 7 | Voltage and motor current should be checked by a qualified electrician and should be within the motor specifications. | |
| | Note: This test should also be performed under normal system operating conditions. | DANGER: HIGH VOLTAGE! Lethal shock hazard present. USE EXTREME CAUTION! |

SHUT-DOWN PROCEDURE

To stop the vacuum pump unit, press the STOP button. A built-in anti-suck-back valve will prevent oil from the oil reservoir being sucked back into the pump cylinder.

SEQUENCE OF OPERATION

The following sequence of operation is a description of how the **DuraVane** rotary vane vacuum pump system should operate. The description is general to cover simplex to multiplex (more than one pump) systems. It is assumed that all start-up procedures have been followed. Ensure that pump reservoirs are filled with oil (see "Start-up Procedures", page 8). If unsure about the function of one of the electrical controls mentioned below, see the "Electrical Controls" section (page 13) for a description of the component. If any of the below described events do not occur as expected, see the "Trouble-shooting" section (page 18).

Once the power connection to the system has been made, the following should occur:

- If disconnects or circuit breakers are installed on the control panel, and are turned to the ON position, the system will be energized. If POWER ON indicating lights are installed on the panel, the lights will be illuminated.
- ♦ If any other lights are illuminated, try resetting the ALARM RESET button. If the light does not go out see the "Trouble-shooting" section (page 18).
- ♦ If HAND-OFF-AUTO selector switches are installed and are turned to the HAND mode, the pump(s) will immediately start. If PUMP ON light(s) are installed on the panel, they should light up to indicate pump operation. We suggest that each pump be tested ("bump started") in the HAND mode initially to check rotation of the pump. Rotation is marked by an arrow on the motor or pump housing. When in HAND mode, the pump(s) will run continuously unless an alarm condition is triggered. If such a condition occurs, see the "Trouble-shooting " section (page 18).
- ♦ When the HAND-OFF-AUTO selector switch is placed in the AUTO mode, the pump(s) will operate from the vacuum switch(es) (if installed). In multiplex pump systems, each vacuum switch is set with a differential as well as an offset relative to the next switch. The switches should not be set identically. For details on setting the vacuum switches, see the "Accessories and Protective Devices" section (page 13) in this manual. Below is an example for a duplex system. The differential for each switch is 3"Hg. The offset between the two switches is 1"Hg.

| PUMP | PUMP ON | PUMP OFF |
|--------------------|---------|----------|
| Pump 1 (lead pump) | @ 17"Hg | @ 20"Hg |
| Pump 2(lag pump) | @ 16"Hg | @ 19"Hg |

- ♦ The switches are set in this manner so that if pump 1 (lead pump) cannot satisfy demand and the vacuum level drops below 16"Hg, the lag pump (2) will start up. It will turn off when the vacuum level reaches 19" Hg, unless a "10 minute mimum run" timer is installed.
- All multiplex systems are supplied with "Automatic alternation" and "Frequent stop/start protection" unless otherwise specified.
- "Automatic alternation" allows the pumps to operate equally (even run time) by alternating each pump whenever the pump(s) shut down. When alternation occurs, the "lead" pump becomes the "lag" pump and the "lag" pump becomes the "lead" pump.
- "Frequent stop/start protection" is used to allow the pump(s) to operate a minimum amount of time. The time period is factory-set at 10 minutes. This allows the pump(s) to warm up and eliminates frequent starting of the pump(s) which can cause premature coupling failure and breakdown of electrical components. The pump(s) will continue to operate after the vacuum level has been satisfied. In order to maintain the desired vacuum level, a "vacuum relief valve" can be supplied with the system. If vacuum level is critical a "vacuum relief valve" is essential. See the "Accessories and Protective Devices" section (page 13).
- If the pump(s) are not alternating and/or are frequent starting, one of the electrical components may be defective. Contact the factory for more information.

SYSTEM ALARM CONDITIONS NFPA 99

The following is a description of how alarm conditions will affect the operation of medical systems compliant to NFPA 99.

- ♦ If a "Lag pump in operation" alarm is installed in the panel, observe the following. Such an alarm is standard with medical packages. The alarm consists of a warning light and an audible alarm. The alarm will trigger when the "lag" pump starts up. The alarm will not affect the operation of the system. The light will illuminate and the alarm will sound. The audible alarm can only be silenced by physically (or remotely) pushing the ALARM SILENCE button. This will not stop the LAG PUMP ON light from illuminating. The light can be reset by physically (or remotely) pressing the ALARM RESET button.
 - Note: If the lag pump is still operating when the ALARM SILENCE or ALARM RESET buttons are pressed, the alarm will continue to sound. The alarm will only reset if the lag pump is not running.
- "Transformer failure" lights (optional) are only installed if more than one control voltage transformer is supplied. If the TRANSFORMER FAILURE light is illuminated, one of the transformers has malfunctioned and the second one has picked up. As long as a back-up transformer is available, the above alarm will not affect the operation of the system. If both transformers fail, the system will shut down.
- "High temperature" light (optional). If the HIGH TEMPERATURE light illuminates, the affected pump will shut down unless otherwise specified at time of purchase of the equipment. The backup pump(s) will continue to operate unless a high temperature (or other) alarm occurs in those pump(s).
- "Low oil level" light (optional). If the LOW OIL LEVEL light is illuminated, the affected pump will shut down. The back-up pump(s) will continue to operate unless a similar condition occurs in those pump(s).

MAINTENANCE

WARNING: Before attempting any maintenance such as changing the fluid, disconnect all power from the unit by switching off the main breaker or disconnect switch. This will prevent the unit from automatically starting from a vacuum switch.

Pump oil level (Check daily):

Under normal circumstances it should not be necessary to add oil between recommended oil changes. A significant drop in oil level means there is an oil leak, a broken exhaust filter or a leaking anti-suck-back or inlet check valve.

It is normal for the oil to be slightly foamy and lightly colored. If the oil is milky or dark colored, it is burned or contaminated and must be changed.

Check the oil level only when the pump is shut off. The best time to check is before start-up. Replenish oil if the level drops below the MIN. line next to the sight glass. Oil must be added through the fill port only.

CAUTION: Do not add oil while pump is running, since hot oil can escape from the fill opening. Be careful when draining hot oil, personal injury could result.

Oil change

When using the factory recommended specially formulated **Standard Duratex** oils, change every 6 months or 1000 hours of operation, whichever comes first. When using **Duratex Synthetic Long-life** oil, change oil every 6 months or 2000 hours, whichever comes first. If other oil must be used, rather than **Duratex** specially formulated oil, change every 2-3 months or 500 hours. Drain oil by removing drain plug. Note: **using oils other than Duratex** oils may damage the pump and **will result in a shortened warranty period.**

CAUTION: A more frequent oil change might be required if the oil becomes milky or dark colored. A dark color is a sign of oxidation and varnishing which would reduce the life of the pump, vanes and exhaust filters. Our specially formulated Duratex oils are generally far more resistant to oxidation than normal motor oils.

Devarnishing

The operating life of the pump is greatly enhanced based on the oil quality and condition of filters. Oxidized or darkened oil is a sign of trouble. Plugged filters reduce performance and may damage pump. Periodic maintenance will offer the best protection for your equipment.

DEKKER offers a specially formulated devarnishing compound **Proclean 68D** for rotary vane vacuum pumps and systems. Procedure for using **Proclean 68D** and MSDS sheet, are included with the product. The compound is available in the following quantities:

Proclean 68D (part no.: 5230-0010-001) — 1 gallon **Proclean 68D** (part no.: 5230-0050-001) — 5 gallon **Proclean 68D** (part no.: 5230-0055-001) — 55 gallon

NOTE: Varnished pumps are not covered under warranty.

Oil filter (if installed)

When using the factory recommended specially formulated **Duratex** oils, change filter every 6 months or 1000 hours of operation, whichever comes first. If other oil must be used, change filter every 2-3 months or 500 hours of operation.

CAUTION: Do not clean or re-use these filters. Filters must be disposed of properly as they might contain toxic substances carried over from the process.

Inlet Filter (if installed)

Check after first 8 hours of operation. Clean or replace inlet filter element every 1000 to 3000 hours depending on application or if excessive pressure drop is noticed. Note: in some applications it may be required to clean inlet filter more often. Under extra dirty conditions it may be necessary to install 2 inlet filters in series, one 10 micron and one 5 micron.

CAUTION: Be careful not to allow accumulated foreign material to fall in the pump suction opening when removing the filter cartridge. Horizontal filter installation is recommended to prevent this. Filters must be disposed of properly as they might contain toxic substances carried over from the process.

Exhaust filter

Replace after every 2,000 hours of operation or every 6 months. All pumps fitted with a back-pressure indicator should use this as a guide for changing the filter whenever the pressure has reached the red mark of 8-10 psig.

CAUTION: Over filling pump with oil may result in misting and if filter is oil-soaked, it must be replaced.

CAUTION: Do not clean or re-use these filters. Filters must be disposed of properly, as they might contain toxic substances carried over from the process. Always replace O-rings on filter when changing.

Bearings and Seals

Internal pump components do not require preventative maintenance. Bearings are self-lubricating type.

Bearing Lubrication – Motor (where required)

The motors are shipped from the factory with the bearings properly packed with grease. During extended storage of 6 months or greater, the bearings should be re-lubricated prior to starting with a good quality high temperature lithium based grease of #2 consistency. Typical products are Texaco Premium RB and Chevron SR1 #2.

The bearings may be lubricated with the motor running or stationary. Stationary with the motor warm is preferred. Locate the grease inlets – there is one on each end of the motor.

Note: This is generally the case with domestic motors. European motors use sealed bearings and do not require lubrication. Consult Factory with any questions.

Clean the area and replace the pipe plug with a grease fitting as generally they are not equipped with a grease fitting. Remove the grease drain plug, located at the lower portion of each motor face (typically a plastic plug), and loosen any hardened grease that may block the drain. Add the recommended volume of the previously described grease using a hand operated grease gun. Run the motor for two hours. Replace the pipe plug in grease drain.

Mixing of lubricants is not recommended due to possible incompatibility. Signs of incompatibility are extreme soupiness from the grease relief drain or from the shaft opening. If changing a lubricant, grease and then re-grease after 100 hours of service.

Frequency/volume of greasing is based on service conditions, speed and frame size. See tables below. **Standard conditions:** 8 hour day operation, normal or light loading, clean environment at a 100 °F maximum ambient temperature.

Severe conditions: 24 hour operation or shock loading, vibration, dirty or dusty environment, running at a 100 °F to 120 °F ambient temperature.

Extreme conditions: heavy shock, vibration, or dust.

| Lubrication Frequency – Ball Bearings | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | Roller bearings – divide time by 2 | | | |
| Speed | NEMA Standard Severe Extreme | | Extreme | |
| (RPM) | Frame | Conditions | Conditions | Conditions |
| 1800 | 182-215 | 3 years | 1 year | 6 months |
| 1800 | 254-365 | 2 years | 6-12 months | 3 months |
| 1800 | 404-449 | 1 year | 6 months | 1-3 months |
| 3600 | ALL | 6 months | 3 months | 1 month |

| Lubrication Volume | | | |
|--------------------|----------------|--|--|
| NEMA | NEMA Volume | | |
| Frame | (Cubic inches) | | |
| 182-215 | 0.5 | | |
| 254-286 | 1.0 | | |
| 324-365 | 1.5 | | |
| 404-449 2.5 | | | |

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

To help ensure trouble-free equipment operation a basic maintenance schedule consisting of the following system checks is recommended.

First 8 hours operation

Check oil level and inlet filter element. Check discharge pressure.

Daily

Check oil level daily, sight glass should be half full when pump is stopped. Check inlet filter if required.

Weekly

Inspect inlet filter and replace if necessary.

500 hours operation

When **not** using factory recommended **Duratex** oils, change oil every 2-3 months (500 hours of operation) or when oil darkens. Drain oil when hot, using caution, and properly dispose of oil.

Replace oil filter (if equipped).

1000 hours of operation

When using specially formulated **Standard Duratex** oils, oil should be changed every 6 months (1000 hours of operation) or when oil darkens. Drain oil when hot, using caution, and properly dispose of oil. Replace oil filter (if equipped).

2,000 hours operation

When using specially formulated **Synthetic Duratex Long-life** oils, oil should be changed every 6 months (or 2000 hours of operation) or when oil darkens. Drain oil when hot, using caution, and properly dispose of oil.

Replace exhaust filter.

Replace oil filter (if equipped).

Remove debris from pump body, motor fan guard and heat exchanger (if equipped).

50,000 hours operation

Replace pump vanes.

ELECTRICAL CONTROLS (if included)

- Disconnect Handles: must be turned on to energize the system. The handles must be turned off to open control panel.
- ♦ CAUTION: High voltage, main disconnect must be off when servicing panel.
- HOA (Hand-Off-Auto) Selector Switches: are supplied only if vacuum switches are supplied. Pump units will start in HAND mode (unless units are in a shutdown alarm condition). The pumps will bypass vacuum switches. AUTO mode, allows units to start upon contact closure of the vacuum switch.
- ♦ Stop/Start Push Buttons: are included if HOA selector switch is not installed.
- Reset Button: is used to reset the starter overloads.
- Power On Light: indicates that power is on in panel.
- Pump Running Light: indicates a pump is operating.
- High Temperature Overload Light: indicates a pump has overheated and shuts the pump down.
 The ALARM RESET button needs to be pressed to reset the alarm condition. If high temperature condition has not been fixed, the alarm will not reset.
- High Back-pressure Light: indicates the exhaust filter element in the vacuum pump needs to be replaced. Alarm does not shut down the pump. Replace element as soon as possible.
- Transformer Failure Light: indicates transformer failure. If alternate transformers are included
 in the panel, the alternate transformer will pick up. The pump will shut down if only one
 transformer is present and fails.
- ◆ Lag Pump In Operation Light: When the light illuminates, the lag pump is in operation.
- Audible Alarm: signals that the lag pump is in operation. The alarm can be silenced by pressing
 the ALARM SILENCE button. The audible alarm may also be used to signal other alarm
 conditions, such as high temperature, low oil level or high back pressure.
- Alarm Silence Button: is used to silence the audible alarm, but the light will remain on unless alarm condition has been corrected.
- Alarm Reset Button: is used to reset an alarm condition when the condition has been rectified.
 The ALARM RESET button will stop the light and alarm if alarm condition has been corrected.
- Hour Meter: is a running clock that indicates how many hours each pump has been operating. It should be used to determine when the oil in the pump and the discharge filter element needs to be replaced. See Maintenance Section (page 9) for oil life.

ACCESSORIES AND PROTECTIVE DEVICES (if included)

Accessories

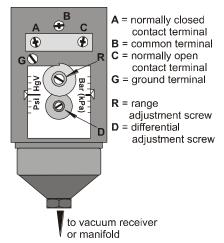
The following accessories are available for **DuraVane** rotary vane vacuum pump systems.

- Flexible Connectors (optional): are used in piping systems to eliminate vibration transmission from machinery throughout the piping network. If ordered, DVT uses braided flexible connectors on the DuraVane rotary vane vacuum pump systems.
- ♦ Vibration Isolators (optional): are used to eliminate vibrations, noise and shock transmission from machinery to the floor. Floor-mount type vibration isolators are used for rotary vane vacuum pump systems. The vibration isolators have a steel top plate, threaded insert and steel base, both totally imbedded in an oil-resistant neoprene. The isolators bolt onto a tank or base-frame with one bolt and have two mounting bolts to mount to the foundation or floor.
- System Isolation Valve (optional): may be installed on the vacuum receiver tank or vacuum pump manifold. Usually the valve is used to isolate the vacuum system from the piping network.

- Inlet Filter (standard on systems): An inlet filter is installed as standard on the DuraVane rotary vane vacuum pump systems. For pumps only, an inlet filter is optional but recommended and needs to be installed in the inlet piping.
- Vacuum Relief Valve (optional): This valve may be installed on the pump suction manifold or on the receiver. The vacuum relief valve is used to maintain a certain vacuum level.
- ♦ Vacuum Switch (standard on multiplex systems): is used to automatically switch the vacuum pump ON and OFF, based on demand.

Switches are factory preset for your application and it is NOT RECOMMENDED to adjust the vacuum switch. Each switch is labeled as LEAD or LAG and is marked with the corresponding PUMP ON and PUMP OFF points.

If the vacuum switch must be adjusted, please follow these instructions:



- To increase the point at which the vacuum pump turns ON, turn the RANGE ADJUSTMENT SCREW I counterclockwise. See the range scale on switch for approximation. Use vacuum gauge to observe actual PUMP ON and PUMP OFF point.
- 2. To increase the differential, which is the difference between the PUMP ON and PUMP OFF point, turn the DIFFERENTIAL ADJUSTMENT SCREW (D) counterclockwise. To obtain the correct PUMP OFF point observe the physical opening of the contact switch as compared to the vacuum gauge reading. The vacuum pump will not stop running, because all systems are equipped with "10 minute mimum run" timers.
- 3. Remember you will need to vary the vacuum level in the receiver or manifold to see a change in the vacuum level, and to adjust the switches.
- Microprocessing Controller (optional): system may be equipped with this very reliable and compact Controller module for controlling and monitoring basic machinery functions. The following instructions should help guide the end user to perform simple changes to the Controllers' preprogrammed settings. The specific preset areas that may be modified are outlined below.

Set the Internal Clock:

Upon powering the system control panel, the installation technician must ensure that the internal clock in the Controller has been set to the current military time setting. The Controller is equipped with an internal capacitor that will hold the time for approximately 80 hrs. If your system has not been installed within the allotted time frame, the alternation of the automatic mode will not occur and only one of the pumps will function until the time parameter has been updated. Refer to the following instructions for access to and changing of the parameters.

Sequence of Operation Automatic Mode:

The switch on the front of the system control panel must be placed in the automatic mode before the Controller program will initiate. Upon starting the system, all pumps should come on line and run for a minimum of 10 minutes each. As the demand for the vacuum pumps change, the individual units will turn off and on as required, each time running for a minimum of 10 minutes after initial start. If all the individual pumps are not placed in automatic mode simultaneously, there may be a pump that does not ramp up to speed with the lead pump. This does not mean that there is a problem with your vacuum system. The reason for this can be the switch settings for lead and lag pumps. When the system is started and individual units are placed in automatic mode at different times, the demand for lag pump may not be present due to the time lapse between placing the various pumps in automatic mode.

After 24 hours of operation (1 calendar day), the lead pump will become the lag pump and the remaining pumps will shift one spot forward, keeping the same on and off switch settings as before. The alternation of the vacuum pumps will allow equal usage of the equipment and will

increase the life expectancy of the system. If the demand for the remaining pumps needs to change, you must enter the necessary value in the Controller for the level of vacuum you wish to maintain as a minimum/maximum for each on/off switch point. If there is not a demand for the lag pump(s) they will never run with the lead pump. Every day the lead pump will change.

When the lead pump cannot handle the demand of the system, the remaining pump(s) will turn on. For medical packages: when the last pump in the system is required to operate, the alarm condition will trigger the audio or visual signal that the lag pump is operating, and the system is near full capacity. The alarm reset button should be pressed and the light or audible sound will stop.

Manual Modes:

Any pump can be independently started manually by placing the system in manual mode. All high temperature and low/high level switches will still be monitoring the equipment, thus ensuring the safe operation of your vacuum system. The Controller program will not initiate and the automatic alternation will not function. The cost of operating the system will be considerably higher than in automatic mode.

Switching to parameterization mode:

In order to change any of the preset values in the Controller, the initial procedure is the same:

- 1. Turn on power to the Controller.
- 2. Place pump(s) in manual (Hand) mode. This is done so vacuum will be maintained, otherwise when saving changes, the pump(s) will shut down.
- 3. Press **ESC**, then scroll down to "Set Param", then push **OK**.

The Controller switches to parameterization mode and displays the parameterization menu. The operator can now access the various menus by using the **up** or **down** arrows to toggle to desired menu.

Selecting a parameter:

The following can be parameters:

- The delay times of a time relay.
- The switching times of an alternation time switch.
- The threshold value of a counter.
- The monitoring time of an operating hours counter (internal clock).
- The switching thresholds of a vacuum switch.

To select a parameter, proceed as follows:

- 1. Select the "Set Param" option from the parameterization menu. (UP or DOWN arrows)
- 2. Once you have the cursor (>) on the desired parameter, press **OK**.

The Controller displays the first parameter. If parameters cannot be set or modified, you can use **ESC** to return to the parameterization menu. The **ESC** key can be used at any time to leave the parameterization mode and return to the running mode.

- 3. Select the desired parameter by using the **UP** or **DOWN** arrows to toggle through until the desired parameter is displayed in the window.
- 4. To change a parameter, you must select it and press **OK**.

Changing a parameter:

To change a parameter, you first must select it as shown above. Once you have selected the desired parameter, you can change the value by moving the cursor to the desired location with the < or > arrows. The actual value is changed by using the **UP** or **DOWN** arrow. The steps are as follows:

- 1. Move the cursor to the point at which you want to make the change. (< or > arrows)
- 2. Change the value. (UP or DOWN arrows)
- 3. Accept the value. (OK)

Once all parameters are modified, you'll need to exit the "Set Param" mode by followings these steps:

- 1. Press **ESC** until you reach the screen that has **STOP**.
- 2. Arrow up to STOP and press OK.
- 3. When prompted **Stop Prg**, use arrow **UP** or **DOWN** to **Yes** and press **OK**.
- 4. Arrow down to **Start** and press **OK**. (This will save the changes)
- 5. Turn pump(s) to Automatic mode.

Vacuum pump ON/OFF settings for Microprocessing Controller (Vacuum in "Hg):

When setting the ON and OFF switch points in your Controller, use the following table for reference:

| Inches of HgV | PLC Setting |
|---------------|-------------|
| 29 | 234 |
| 28 | 488 |
| 27 | 742 |
| 26 | 996 |
| 25 | 1250 |
| 24 | 1504 |
| 23 | 1758 |
| 22 | 2012 |
| 21 | 2266 |
| 20 | 2520 |
| 19 | 2775 |
| 18 | 3028 |
| 17 | 3282 |
| 16 | 3536 |
| 15 | 3790 |
| 14 | 4044 |
| 13 | 4298 |
| 12 | 4552 |
| 11 | 4806 |
| 10 | 5060 |

This table will apply to all single and multiplex systems equipped with a Controller after 5/15/02 (all units supplied with a Controller prior to this date must contact the Service or Engineering department with serial number of supplied equipment for assistance). These values are entered directly into the Controller in the appropriate block number for lead and lag pumps. Refer to the specific instruction set provided with the IOM for block number identification.

- The correct value can also be determined by the following formula:

7600 – (Inches of HgV x 254) = Controller setting

Example: $SW^{\uparrow} = 3282 - \text{switch pump on at } 17\text{"HgV } (7600 - (17 x 254) = 3282)$

 $SW \downarrow = 2520 - switch pump off at 20"HgV (7600 - (20 x 254) = 2520)$

 To determine the vacuum point displayed on the LED of the Controller unit use the following formula: "HgV = 29.92 – (Displayed Value/254)

Please note that the values you are working with are Torr values multiplied by 10.

A perfect vacuum is approaching a setting of 0 and at atmospheric pressure at sea-level the setting is at 7600 (760 Torr x 10).

Settings for Simplex Systems:

- Unless otherwise noted, the standard switch points for a Simplex System will be set at:
 Lead pump ON at 17"HgV OFF at 20"HgV
- Specific block numbers for Simplex Controller Program:

Lead pump =B15

Setting for Duplex Systems:

- Unless otherwise noted, the standard switch points for a Duplex System will be set at:

Lead pump ON at 17"HgV - OFF at 20"HgV

Lag pump ON at 16"HgV - OFF at 19"HgV

- Specific block numbers for Duplex Controller Program:

Lead pump =B15 Lag pump =B16

Alarm visual/audible =B13 (Typically set to come on and off with lag pump settings)

Setting for Triplex Systems:

- Unless otherwise noted, the standard switch points for a Triplex System will be set at:

Lead pump ON at 17"HgV – OFF at 20"HgV Mid pump ON at 16"HgV – OFF at 19"HgV Lag pump ON at 15"HgV – OFF at 18"HgV

- Specific Block number for Triplex Controller Program:

Lead Pump =B15 Mid pump =B16 Lag pump =B23

Alarm visual/audible =B13 (Typically set to come on and off with lag pump settings)

Protective Devices

The following protective devices are available to protect the unit from being damaged and to help with maintenance.

- ♦ High Temperature Switch (optional): will signal when the temperature of the oil is exceeding the recommended level. The switch will shut the unit down. The unit will not restart until the alarm condition is acknowledged and is reset. The switch is a "snap disc" type of switch that is normally closed. When the temperature reaches the maximum setpoint, the switch will open. Once the switch has opened, there is a 10-20°F differential that the temperature will need to drop to, in order for the switch to close.
- ♦ High Back-pressure Switch (optional): may be installed on the discharge of the rotary vane vacuum pump. When the back-pressure reaches a pre-determined level, the switch will signal the control panel. A high back-pressure light may be installed on the control panel, which, when illuminated, signals that the exhaust element in the vacuum pump needs to be replaced. Note that the high back-pressure switch will not shut the unit down, but the exhaust element must be replaced as soon as possible.
- ◆ Lag Pump On Alarm (optional): An NFPA 99 requirement on medical systems. This is an audio/visual alarm that signals lag pump operation. Once the alarm triggers, the alarm must be acknowledged and reset. The alarm will not reset if the lag pump is still in operation. This alarm indicates vacuum is greater than the supply of the lead pump only.
- ◆ Transformer Failure Light (optional): All standard medical NFPA 99 rotary vane vacuum pump systems are supplied with two (2) control voltage transformers (one primary and one for backup). If indication is desired in the event that the primary transformer fails and the backup transformer picks up, a TRANSFORMER FAILURE light will be necessary. The defective transformer should be replaced as soon as possible. When the primary transformer fails, the operation of the system will not be interrupted. If the backup transformer also fails, the system will shut down.
- ♦ Low Oil Level Switch (optional): This switch may be installed in the separator/reservoir of the rotary vane vacuum pump. It is a float type of switch. If the level switch is triggered, the affected pump will shut down. The LOW OIL LEVEL light on the control panel will be illuminated. The low level switch will be wired into the main alarm of the panel. The alarm will have to be reset to restart the pump. When filling the pump with oil, make sure that the power to the pump is off because if the alarm reset button has been reset and the level switches contacts close while filling the pump, the pump will start-up automatically.
- Frequent Stop/Start Protection (standard on multiplex systems): Allows each pump to run a
 minimum amount of time. Frequent stopping/starting can reduce coupling life and is also less
 efficient from a power consumption standpoint.
- Automatic Alternation (standard on multiplex systems unless otherwise specified): Allows
 the pumps to alternate. The primary feature of automatic alternation is to equalize the running
 time on all the pumps.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Following below is a basic troubleshooting guide. We recommend that you consult your local dealer for service. Each **DuraVane** rotary vane vacuum pump unit is tested and checked at the factory. Always indicate unit model and serial number when calling.

WARNING: Before attempting any repairs, disconnect all power from the unit by switching off the main breaker or disconnect switch. This will prevent the unit from automatically starting from a vacuum switch.

TROUBLE SHOOTING FAQS (Frequently Asked Questions)

DURAVANE LUBRICATED ROTARY VANE VACUUM PUMPS AND SYSTEMS

START-STOP PROBLEMS:

The unit will not start: (DuraVane Lubricated)

- 1. Check reset button on control panel (if installed). Overloads may have been triggered.
- 2. Check setting of HOA switch and vacuum switches.
- 3. Check power. Make sure that supply voltage matches motor voltage.
- 4. To check electrical control panel (if installed) disconnect power. Make sure that all wires are tight. Wires may vibrate loose during shipment or operation. See wiring diagram on conduit box of motor for correct wiring configurations.
- 5. Check motor overload in control panel (if installed). Overload settings may be too low. Set overload setting in motor starter in accordance with the motor nameplate data (include Service Factor).
- 6. Check fuses. Fuses may have blown.
- 7. Check motor wires. Motor may be wired incorrectly. Look at motor wiring diagram on conduit box of motor for correct wiring configurations. Make sure connections are secure.
- 8. Check wire size and length. Incorrectly sized wires can cause a voltage drop at the pump. If temperature of wire is high, use larger wire size.

Unit starts, but labors and draws a very high current: (DuraVane Lubricated)

- 1. Stop unit and disconnect power.
- 2. Check motor wires. Motor may be wired incorrectly. Look at motor wiring diagram on conduit box of motor for correct wiring configurations. Make sure connections are secure.
- 3. Check if motor rotation is correct by comparing it to the arrow on the motor or pump housing. If incorrect switch any two of the three main power leads on the contactor inside the control panel (3-phase only).
- 4. Check back-pressure on pump. Exhaust element may need to be replaced. Refer to Installation and Operations manual for maximum pressure and replacement instructions.
- 5. Check power supply. Excessively high or low voltage or phase imbalance will damage motor.
- 6. Check to see if pump is overfilled with oil. Oil level should be in the middle of the sight glass on the side of the pump reservoir
- Check oil. Oil may be too heavy (high viscosity) or the ambient temperature is below 5°C (41°F). If oil is
 too heavy, refer to the Installation and Operations manual and replace the oil with DEKKER's
 recommended **Duratex** oil.
- 8. Foreign particles may have carried over into pump causing damage to the vanes or other internal parts. Contact authorized dealer.
- 9. Unit may have seized due to high temperature operation, causing oil to varnish. Contact authorized dealer.

VACUUM PROBLEMS

Unit is not drawing vacuum: (DuraVane Lubricated)

- 1. Stop unit and disconnect power.
- 2. Check if motor rotation is correct by comparing it to the arrow on the motor or pump housing. If incorrect switch any two of the three main power leads on the contactor inside the control panel.
- 3. Check to see if the oil is contaminated or varnished. Replace at once.
- 4. Check hour meter (if installed). If the oil has been used longer than the recommended life expectancy (as specified in the Maintenance Schedule in the Installation and Operations Manual), the pump will not draw ultimate vacuum. Allow pump to cool before changing oil. Use specially formulated DEKKER **Duratex** oil.
- 5. Check vacuum gauge. Gauge may be faulty. Replace.
- Check oil level. Oil level should be maintained at the middle of the top sight glass on the side of the pump reservoir.
- 7. Check if the inlet valve is open and inlet filter (if installed) is clean.
- 8. Ensure that no lines are open to the atmosphere, causing loss of vacuum.
- Check for leaks in the piping systems using conventional leak detection methods.
- 10. Check coupling between pump and motor (if applicable). If damaged, replace.

- 11. Check to see if inlet check valve assembly is stuck in closed position due to contamination. Disassemble and clean inlet check valve and screen as required.
- 12. Check back-pressure on pump. Exhaust element may need to be replaced. Refer to Installation and Operations manual for maximum pressure and replacement instructions.
- 13. Internal parts may be worn or damaged. Contact authorized dealer.
- 14. One or more of the vanes in the rotor may be stuck. Contact authorized dealer.

Unit is not reaching ultimate vacuum level: (DuraVane Lubricated)

- 1. Stop unit and disconnect power.
- 2. Check vacuum gauge. Gauge may be faulty. Replace.
- Check oil level. Oil level should be maintained at the middle of the top sight glass on the side of the pump reservoir.
- 4. Check oil for excessive foaming. If foaming, replace.
- 5. Check to see if the oil is contaminated or varnished. Replace at once.
- 6. If the oil has been used longer than the recommended life expectancy (as specified in the Maintenance Schedule in the Installation and Operations Manual), the pump will not draw ultimate vacuum. Allow pump to cool before changing oil.
- 7. Check to see if system is holding vacuum. This can be done by shutting the unit down and observing for about 30 minutes if the gauge on the receiver or pipe system is holding. If vacuum is not holding, check all pipe connections for leaks using conventional leak detection methods.
- 8. Check to see if inlet screen and inlet filter (if installed) is blocked. If blocked, clean wire screen and filter element and reinstall or replace. If an inlet filter has not been installed, and the problem persists, install an inlet filter. Refer to Installation and Operations manual.
- 9. Check to see if inlet check valve assembly is stuck in closed position due to contamination. Disassemble and clean inlet check valve and screen as required.
- Check around pump for oil leaks. Oil tubing may be damaged or defective. Replace and/or tighten fittings as needed.
- 11. Internal parts may be worn or damaged. Contact authorized dealer.
- 12. Check pump model and specifications. Pump may not be suitable for application. Consult authorized dealer.

OVERHEATING AND SMOKING PROBLEMS

Overheating problems: (DuraVane Lubricated)

- 1. Stop unit and disconnect power.
- 2. Check to see if the oil is contaminated or varnished. Replace at once.
- 3. Check hour meter (if installed). Oil should not be used longer than the recommended life expectancy (as specified in the Maintenance Schedule in the Installation and Operations Manual). Allow pump to cool before changing oil.
- 4. Check oil level. Oil level should be maintained at the middle of the top sight glass on the side of the pump reservoir.
- 5. Check oil for excessive foaming. If foaming, replace.
- 6. Check oil-return valve inside pump. Valve may be clogged or may be functioning incorrectly. Contact authorized dealer.
- 7. Check back-pressure on pump. Exhaust element may need to be replaced. Refer to Installation and Operations manual for maximum pressure and replacement instructions.
- Make sure that pump is being cooled correctly. Check that pump is located in a well-ventilated area.
 Maximum ambient temperature for the rotary vane vacuum pumps is 100°F. All standard pumps are air-cooled.
- 9. Inspect fan for damage.
- 10. Clean motor and pump air grills if needed.
- 11. Check heat-exchanger, clean if necessary.

Unit smokes at the exhaust side: (DuraVane Lubricated)

- 1. Stop unit and disconnect power.
- 2. Check back-pressure on pump. Exhaust element may need to be replaced.
- Check internal exhaust element. Exhaust element may not be seated correctly with o-ring or may need to be replaced. Refer to Installation and Operations manual for maximum pressure and replacement instructions.
- 4. Check operating temperature. Excessive heat will cause smoking.
- 5. Check oil-return valve inside pump. Valve may be clogged or may be functioning incorrectly. Consult authorized dealer.
- 6. Check oil return line. Line may be clogged or broken. If so, clean clogged line or replace line. Be sure to use same size line when replacing. Consult authorized dealer.

NOISE AND VIBRATION PROBLEMS:

Unit is making excessive noise: (DuraVane Lubricated)

1. Check oil for excessive foaming. If foaming, replace.

- 2. Check if motor rotation is correct by comparing it to the arrow on the motor or pump housing. If incorrect switch any two of the three main power leads on the contactor (3-phase only).
- 3. Check bearings. If bearings are noisy, contact authorized dealer for replacement instructions.
- 4. Foreign particles may have carried over into the pump, causing damage to the vanes or other internal parts. Contact authorized dealer.
- 5. One of the vanes in the rotor may be stuck. Contact authorized dealer for instructions.

HIGH OIL-CONSUMPTION PROBLEMS

Unit has abnormally high oil-consumption: (DuraVane Lubricated)

- 1. Stop unit and disconnect power.
- 2. Check around pump for oil leaks. Oil tubing may be damaged or defective. Replace if necessary.
- 3. Abnormal oil consumption could be the result of smoking problems at the exhaust side (see above).

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Order information

When calling for service, parts or system information always have the pump or system model number and serial number(s) ready. Refer to the bill of lading or the gold-colored system information plate attached to the system.

Parts should be purchased from the nearest authorized DVT representative or from the vacuum pump or system supplier. If for any reason parts cannot be obtained in this manner, contact the factory directly.

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WARRANTY POLICY

Warranty policy for DEKKER vacuum pumps and systems:

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DEKKER Vacuum Technologies, Inc. (hereafter referred to as the Company) warrants that the products hereunder shall be free of defects in material and workmanship and conform to the specifications given in connection with the sale of the product.

Vmax systems: full **3-year warranty** from date of shipment, provided the system is operated exclusively with DEKKER **Vmaxol** sealing liquid and is operated during the full warranty period as per the instructions given in the Operation and Maintenance Manual. If purchaser elects not to use DEKKER seal-fluids, system warranty shall be 2 years if fluid is approved by DEKKER.

Vmax systems: 1-year warranty from date of shipment, provided the system is operated exclusively with DEKKER *Vmaxol* sealing liquid and is operated during the full warranty period as per the instructions given in the Operation and Maintenance Manual. If purchaser elects not to use DEKKER seal-fluids, system warranty shall be 1 year if fluid is approved by DEKKER.

DuraVane pumps, systems and compressors: 2-year warranty from date of shipment, provided the pump(s) are operated during the full warranty period as per the instructions given in the Operation and Maintenance Manual, and where applicable are operated exclusively with DEKKER **Duratex** oil. If purchaser elects not to use DEKKER oil, pump and system warranty shall be 18 months if oil is approved by DEKKER.

TiTan and Maxima-K liquid ring vacuum pumps and compressors and AquaSeal and ChemSeal systems: 2-year warranty from date of shipment, provided the pump or system is operated during the full warranty period as per the instructions given in the Operation and Maintenance Manual.

All other systems not specified above and all custom-engineered systems: 1-year warranty from date of shipment, provided the pump or system is operated during the full warranty period as per the instructions given in the Operation and Maintenance Manual.

Rebuilt pumps and systems: 6 months warranty from date of shipment if operated as per the instructions given in the Operation and Maintenance Manual.

All 3rd party components are subject to Manufacturers' warranty.

Mechanical shaft seals are warranted for a period of ninety (90) days from date of shipment.

The replacement of **maintenance items** including, but not limited to oil, seals, bearings, filters, vanes in rotary vane pumps, etc., made in connection with normal maintenance service are **not covered** under this warranty.

No warranty shall apply to products that have been misused or neglected, which includes operation in excessive ambient temperatures, dirty environments or the pumping of corrosive, erosive or explosive liquids or gasses or for problems caused by a build-up of material on the internal parts of the product.

Under this warranty the purchaser is entitled to the repair or replacement (whichever DEKKER elects) of any part or parts of the product that do not conform to specifications. This warranty shall be void unless said nonconformance is discovered before the expiration of this warranty. For repairs, the Company has to be notified in writing, a return authorization has to be obtained and the nonconforming part or parts need to be returned to the Company, transport charges prepaid, within thirty (30) days of discovery. Repairs shall be made at the Company's facility without charge, except for return transport charges. Replacement parts provided under the terms of this warranty are warranted for the remainder of the warranty period applicable to the product in which they are installed, as if such parts were original components of that product.

No allowance will be granted for repairs or alterations made by the purchaser without the Company's written consent.

In lieu of the foregoing remedy, the company may (if the Company so elects), redesign and/or replace the product or refund the full purchase price thereof.

If purchaser disassembles the product for any reason without the written consent of the Company, this warranty shall be void.

Limitation of liability for DEKKER vacuum pumps and systems:

The Company's obligations are limited to repair, redesign, replacement or refund of the purchase price, at the Company's option. In no event shall the purchaser be entitled to recover incidental, special or consequential damages arising out of any defect, failure or malfunction of the product.

This warranty and the company's obligation there under is expressly in lieu of all other warranties, including but not limited to the implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose. All warranties, which exceed the aforementioned obligations are hereby disclaimed by the company and excluded from this warranty. No other person is authorized to give any other warranty or to assume any other liability on the company's behalf without written authorization.