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**Characteristics of the Cooling Water**

What type of water is used in the cooling water system? (fresh water, brackish water, saltwater, etc.)

What is the physical / chemical / biological composition of the water?

What is the normal temperature range of the water as it moves through the component to be coated?

What maximum / minimum water temperatures are expected?

How often, and for what duration, are maximum and minimum water temperatures be encountered?

Is the water acidic or alkaline? What is the pH of the water?

At what velocity is the cooling water moving through the component?

Is it typical for large debris to be carried in the source water? If so, What type(s) of debris? What is the size range?

Is it typical for small debris to be carried by the source water? If so, What type(s) of debris; What is the size range?

What is the solids content of the water? What is the size range? What is the average size?

Are the solids being carried in the cooling water expected to cause severe erosion or abrasion?

At what velocity are the solids moving?

Is biofouling a problem? If so, what species? What are its characteristics? Is it seasonal, etc.?

Is the removal of small marine organisms a problem?

Is algae build-up a problem within the system?

Is ice build-up on the cooling tower shrouds a problem?

Is Zebra Mussel (*dreissena polymorpha*) build-up within the system a problem?
Description of the substrate to be coated

Identify the substrate(s) to be coated? (concrete, carbon steel, cast iron, stainless, steel, etc.)

Is the substrate new or existing?

Is the substrate deteriorated? If so, describe.

Is the substrate contaminated? If so, describe.

What method(s) are used to clean the components on a routine basis?

Has the substrate been previously coated?

What coating material was previously used?

What is the condition of the previously applied coating?

What is the normal temperature range of surfaces to be coated?

What maximum / minimum surface temperatures are expected?

How often, and for what time duration, will maximum and minimum surface temperatures be encountered?

Are there hydrostatic pressure conditions which may affect coating application or performance? If so, describe.

Are there any active leaks, cracks, etc. which will need to be repaired?

Is there exposed aggregate or exposed reinforcing steel on concrete surfaces to be coated? If so, describe.

Are there any existing pits or perforations in metallic surfaces to be welded, filled flush or coated?

Will cathodic protection be employed? If so, what type and at what voltage, if any?
Questions on Pumps

What upset conditions could take place?

What is the likelihood of that happening?

How often and for how long?

What upset conditions have taken place in the past?

How does the pump operate? Is it operating within its designed parameters?

What parts of the pump move? At what speed?

Which parts of the pump remain stationary?

What happens during pump start-up?

What happens at pump shut-down?

What volume of water is pumped? At what velocity?

Is there impact and/or abrasion present?

Define the splash zone.

When and why does it vary?

Which areas experience the most wear?

Why? What are the causes of the wear?

Are there dead zones?

What is the material(s) of construction?
Questions on Valves

How does the valve operate?

What parts move? At what speed? In what direction? How often?

Which parts remain stationary?

What happens during equipment start-up? What happens at shut down?

What volume of water passes through this equipment? At what velocity?

Is there impact, erosion cavitation and/or corrosion present?

Which areas experience the most wear?

Why? What are the causes of the wear?

Are there stagnant or dead zones?

What is the material(s) of construction?

What happens when this piece of equipment malfunctions?

Is thermal expansion a concern?

Is the equipment completely immersed while in operation?

What is the likelihood of the line moving due to expansion and contraction, construction settlement, surges in the system, water-hammering or any other condition?

Does the new coating manufacturer require complete removal of previous coating?

Will heating or dehumidification be required for application of the new coating?

If the previously applied coating failed, what was the mode of failure? What were the reasons for coating failure?
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## Tubesheet Material
- **Size (H x W)**
- **# of Tubesheets**

## Waterbox Material
- **Size (H x W x D)**
- **# of Waterboxes**

## Tube Material
- **# / tubesheet**
- **OD / BWG / length**
- **# plugged**
- **type plug**
- **tubes flush**
- **tubes flared**
- **tubes protrude**

## Existing Coatings
- **inlet - outlet**
- **thickness**
- **years in service**
- **condition**
- **coating material**

## Existing CP
- **impressed current / sacrificial**
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### Design Requirements and Configuration of the Surface(s) to be Coated

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**Material (Substrate) to be Coated**

1. Carbon steel?
2. Stainless Steel?
3. Alloys?
4. Plastic?
5. Concrete?
6. Other non-ferrous materials?
7. Other?
   - Is the coating material approved for the substrate?
   - Historical coating information available?
   - Is the coating material recommended by the coating manufacturer for the substrate and service?

**Previously Coated Substrate**

1. Investigate existing coating’s historical performance.
2. Investigate possible failure modes and cause.
3. Can existing coating materials still be certified as qualified coatings?
4. Based on the above, could the present coating material continue to be used?
5. Do present coatings contain hazardous waste material, i.e. lead, asbestos, coal tar, etc.?
6. Based on the above, should a new coating material be selected to prevent future failures?
7. Inadequate coating process:
   - (a) Improper surface preparation?
   - (b) Improper coating application?
   - (c) Inadequate testing?
   - (d) Inadequate training of application personnel?
   - (e) Inadequate training of preparation personnel?
   - (f) Inadequate training of inspection personnel?
   - (g) Inadequate procedures?
Present Substrate Corrosion Condition

1. Is the substrate presently corroded? 
2. Extent of corrosion, % (ASTM D-610)
3. Type of corrosion:
   (a) General?
   (b) Pitting?
   (c) Stress corrosion?
   (d) Intergranular?
   (e) Other
4. Are repairs to the substrate required prior to coating?
5. Can the substrate be repaired?
6. Are there procedures for the repair?
7. Are repair procedures available?

Plant Operational Conditions

1. Do any of the following operating conditions affect the coating work or ability to work?
   (a) High radiation levels?
   (b) Area security requirements?
   (c) Area temperature restrictions?
   (d) Material and substrate temperatures?
   (e) Accessibility (including confined space entry)?
   (f) Ventilation requirements?
   (g) Fire control restrictions?
   (h) Protection required for plant engineered safety feature atmospheric cleanup system HEPA filters and absorption units?
KEY QUESTIONS FOR EVALUATION OF SERVICE CONDITIONS

Radiation Levels

1. Is the substrate radioactively contaminated?
2. Is the substrate radioactive?
3. Are the general area radiation levels within acceptable limits? 
   [Verify with Plant Health Physics (HP) Department.]
4. Is there airborne contamination? (Verify with Plant Health Physics Department.)
5. Will surface preparation generate airborne contamination?
6. Type of breathing apparatus and clothing required? 
   (Verify with Plant Health Physics Department and OSHA requirements.)
7. Is decontamination practical?
8. Should decontaminability be considered in the future?
9. If decontamination is not practical, can the contamination be sealed to the substrate?
10. Will special ventilation and filtration equipment be required?
11. Are special procedures required for the ventilation equipment operation?
12. Are special and additional arrangements required for contaminated material disposal?

In-service Inspection Requirements

1. Does the substrate require inspection as a part of an in-service inspection program?
2. Can the substrate remain uncoated to facilitate inspection?

Time Constraints

1. Can the coating work be completed at one time?
2. Should the coating work be divided into phases?
3. If the work is to be completed in phases, is the material/equipment to remain onsite?
4. Has the remobilization of workers been negotiated?
### Weather/Climatic Conditions

1. Is the work area susceptible to adverse climatic conditions?
2. Can the work area be protected from the adverse conditions?
3. Are there temperature and humidity requirements for the coating material?
4. Have provisions been made to control temperature and humidity?
5. Can work area cleanliness be maintained?
6. Equipment placement and protection evaluated?
7. Equipment operation evaluated?
8. Material storage requirements considered (i.e., heating and ventilation requirements)?
9. Personnel considerations?

### Material/Waste Disposal

1. Disposal requirements for the coating material waste checked?
2. Disposal requirements for the surface preparation material checked?
3. Disposal of radioactively contaminated material arranged?

### Ventilation Requirements

1. Humidity control required? (Refer to coating data sheets.)
2. Temperature control required? (Refer to coating data sheets.)
3. Particulate filtration required? (Refer to OSHA requirements.)
4. Confined entry precautions?
5. Explosive concentrations to be monitored?
6. Air changes per hour calculated and adequate?

### Safety Requirements

1. Personnel safety requirements checked? (Refer to Health Physics, OSHA, Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA), NIOSH, EPA, NRC, company and plant requirements)
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The generic coating types listed above have been successfully used, and should be considered for cooling water system components as indicated. IMPORTANT NOTE: Coating performance will vary depending on manufacturer formula and service conditions.
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**IMPORTANT NOTES:** Comparison of physical/chemical properties of specific coating systems can assist in determining the product best suited for a given application. Contact coating manufacturers for product technical data.

In some cases, product data may include results from different test methods, and the user should consider such test results accordingly.

The list of properties/test methods shown may not be applicable for all components of the cooling water system.

The user should review the test methods to determine whether such test(s) may be applicable for the component of interest.