INSTALLATION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS AND PARTS LIST FOR

SUBMERSIBLE TURBINE PUMPS

CUSTOMER: _________________________________________________________
PUMP SERIAL NUMBER: ____________________________________________
DATE SHIPPED: __________________________________________________

DELIVERING VERTICAL TURBINE PUMP RELIABILITY, QUALITY AND SERVICE SINCE 1969.
Subject to the terms and conditions set forth below, NATIONAL PUMP COMPANY (“National”) warrants that its manufactured equipment is free from defects in workmanship and materials USING ITS SPECIFICATIONS AS A STANDARD. This warranty does not extend to anyone except the first purchaser to whom the goods are shipped from National.

National’s obligation under this warranty is expressly limited to replacing or repairing, free of charge, F.O.B. point of manufacture, any defective part or parts of its manufactured equipment; however, NATIONAL SHALL HAVE NO SUCH LIABILITY EXCEPT WHERE IT IS SHOWN TO THE SATISFACTION OF NATIONAL THAT THE DAMAGE OR CLAIM RESULTED FROM BREACH OF THIS WARRANTY. All parts claimed defective must be delivered to National at its factory or any factory branch, freight or express thereon PREPAID.

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This Warranty, and any liability of National hereunder, shall be governed by, construed, and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio.
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1. ACCEPTANCE OF ORDERS: All orders are subject to acceptance by an Officer of the Company and orders and deliveries are subject to the Company’s regular credit policy. The Company reserves the right to refuse any order based on a quotation containing a gross error.

2. PRICES: List prices and discount schedules are to be maintained at all times. Prices are for merchandise F.O.B. shipping points, freight collect or prepaid, and added to the invoice. Prices, discounts, quotations, and specifications are subject to change without notice and will be applied as in effect at time of shipment.

3. TERMS: All quotations are subject to National Pump Co., standard terms and conditions. Payment terms require credit department approval at our main office, Glendale, AZ. Interest at the maximum legal rate will be charged on all overdue amounts.

4. TAXES: Taxes imposed by any Federal, State, County, or Municipal law on the sale will be added to the invoice, unless a fully executed tax exemption certificate is received with the order.

5. ORDER CHANGES: No changes in orders will be accepted from the Purchaser except by special written arrangement with the executive office of National.

6. RETURN OF GOODS: Written permission from the factory must be obtained before returning any merchandise. All transportation charges must be borne by the Customer. New material of current design accepted by the Company for credit is subject to a restocking charge of at least 15 percent.

7. CLAIMS: All goods shall be deemed delivered to purchaser at the time they are placed in the hands of carrier and consigned to purchaser.

8. ROUTING: If routing of shipment is specified on Customer’s order, it will be followed whenever practical.

9. SUBSTITUTION: The Company reserves the right to substitute materials and modify specification to the extent required in order to comply with any Government law or regulation.

10. MINIMUM ORDER AMOUNT: The minimum order amount to be charged on customer account is $50.00. All orders for less than this amount will be billed at the minimum of $50.00 not including tax or freight charges.
The submersible pump consists of a submersible motor and turbine bowl assembly as designed for deep well application. The submersible motors may be emulsion oil, dielectric oil, or water filled and are designed for sustained operations submerged in water. The motor is ordinarily suspended below the turbine bowl assembly through a pump motor adapter. Rotating components of the bowl assembly are usually driven from the bottom where the pump shaft is connected to the motor shaft with a submersible motor coupling. Power is supplied to the submersible motor through a high quality submersible cable which is supported on the discharge pipe extending to the terminal box or to the motor control panel at the surface. The impeller adjustment has been made during the assembly at the factory so no further adjustment is necessary or recommended. The discharge pipe is threaded and coupled, usually in random lengths, and is supported from above by the surface plate or discharge elbow. See Figure 1 for typical deep well submersible turbine application.

CAUTION: DO NOT WORK ON PUMP, MOTOR, WIRING, OR OTHER COMPONENTS OF SYSTEM WITHOUT FIRST OPENING MAIN BREAKER OR PUMP DISCONNECT SWITCH.
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FIGURE 1 - TYPICAL DEEP WELL APPLICATION
SUBMERSIBLE PUMP AND MOTOR

MOTOR
H.P. _____ PHASE _____ HERTZ _____ VOLTS _____ AMP _____
R.P.M. _____ MFG. _____

CABLE
SIZE _____ LENGTH _____ TYPE _____

DROP PIPE
SIZE _____ LENGTH SECTIONS _____
TYPE: ☐ FLANGED ☐ THREADED & COUPLED

PUMP
TYPE _____ STAGES _____
US GPM @ _____ FT. T.D.H. _____
AIR LINE ☐ YES ☐ NO LENGTH _____ DIAMETER _____
DEPTH GAUGE ☐ YES ☐ NO
MOTOR SHROUD ☐ YES ☐ NO DIAMETER _____

CONTROL PANEL
PANEL MANUFACTURER: __________________________
SHORT CIRCUIT DEVICE:
☐ CIRCUIT BREAKER: RATING _____ SETTING _____
☐ FUSES: RATING _____ TYPE _____
☐ STANDARD ☐ DELAY
STARTER MANUFACTURER: _______________________
STARTER SIZE: ___________________
TYPE OF STARTER:
☐ FULL VOLTAGE ☐ AUTOTRANSFORMER
☐ OTHER: FULL VOLTAGE IN _____ SEC.

HEATERS MANUFACTURER: _______________________
NUMBER _____ ADJUSTABLE SET AT _____ AMPS
SUBTROL-PLUS ☐ NO ☐ YES: REGISTRATION #: ________
IF YES OVERLOAD SET? ☐ NO ☐ YES SET AT _____ AMPS
UNDERLOAD SET? ☐ NO ☐ YES SET AT _____ AMPS

MATERIALS
DROP PIPE: INTAKE SCREEN
AIR LINE: INTAKE BRKT.
BOWLS: MOTOR CPLG.
IMPELLERS: DISC. ADAPT.
BOWL SHAFT: CABLE GUARD
BOWL BRGS.: BOLTING

NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION UNLESS CERTIFIED
MFG. BY NATIONAL PUMP COMPANY, GLENDALE, AZ

CUSTOMER: _______________________
FURNISHED BY: ___________________
P.O. NO.: ___________________
PUMP SERIAL NO.: ___________________

DRAWN BY: ___________________ DATE: ___________ DRAWING NO. ___________
“HDS” SUBMERSIBLE PUMP SURFACE PLATE

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Standard construction includes steel baseplate (not machined) with threaded one end pipe welded through the center and 90 degree elbow with 150# R.F. flanged discharge; four foundation bolt holes; threaded cable/conduit box connection; holes for airline and vent. All other item are optional features.
The satisfactory operation of the deep well submersible turbine pump is dependent upon proper application, installation, and maintenance of the equipment. Because of variations in application and installation requirements, the following instructions must, of necessity, be rather general in tone. The installer and maintenance person must use sound judgment to adapt the methods outlined to the conditions existent for each particular installation.

The general assembly of a National Pump submersible deep well turbine pump is shown in Fig.1 (page 2) with the component parts properly identified. This nomenclature will be used as a reference throughout these instructions. It must be understood that this is a typical illustration and may not conform in complete detail to the equipment as furnished. Please refer to any drawings that may have been prepared for this specific installation and become thoroughly familiar with the construction of the pump in question before attempting to assemble, install, dismantle, or do repair work on the unit.

Submersible booster pumps are usually completely assembled at the factory and proper instructions for the handling for this type of pump will accompany the shipment. For submersible deep well turbine pumps as described in this booklet, the bowl unit is assembled at the factory and shipped with the motor to the job site for assembly. The column pipe, discharge elbow and electrical cable are usually shipped as components for job site assembly as suggested in the following instructions.

If there is any doubt or question during the process of installation or operation, contact the factory.

PRELIMINARY PRECAUTION

Examine the well and well site carefully before starting installation. Make sure sand has not covered the perforated sections of the well. If not already known, determine that the well is of ample diameter and depth, and is sufficiently straight to receive the pump. The submersible unit must be operated in a straight portion of the well. Otherwise, pressure exerted may cause misalignment of bearings or couplings, and shorten the life of the unit. Rather than endanger the unit by lowering it into a well with bends severe enough to damage, it is best to lower a test blank with the same length as the combined pump/motor assembly with electrical leads into the well to the desired depth. If the test blank can be lowered to this point without binding, a submersible pump can be installed. If there is any doubt about straightness, caging and plotting are recommended. The pump should never be installed with the bottom of the motor closer than five feet from the bottom of the well.

OBSTRUCTION IN THE WELL

In a previously used well, any obstruction such as jagged casing from perforations or other damage should be corrected to facilitate installation and to prevent damage to the electrical cable. Visual inspection of the well may be performed through the use of an underwater television camera or possibly other means. Any oil or oil emulsion must be removed from the surface of the water to prevent premature damage to the unit. The oil may be removed from the well by bailing the bulk of the oil and then swabbing with burlap. It is possible to prevent fluid from entering the unit during installation by wrapping with an envelope of water soluble polyvinyl alcohol, but this will not protect the jacket material of the electrical conductor.

SURVEY OF WELL

Always sound the well to make sure of its depth and to permit proper installation of the unit. If the exact diameter and depth of the well are not known, test the well as outlined previously. Many wells have more than one size of casing installed and frequently the lower sections are smaller in diameter than the upper casing. Do not install the unit with the motor in mud, sand, or resting on the bottom of the well. It is important to prevent the well from sanding up at any time to the point that the motor becomes packed or even partially buried.
AIR AND GAS IN WELL

The hydraulic performance requirements are contingent upon pumping clean, cold water free from air, gas, and with the pump properly submerged. If either is present in excessive quantities, there will be a reduction in capacity and head, or pumping may stop altogether. Further, the presence of air or gas in the well may cause deterioration of the pump sooner than normal conditions. If it is known that either is present, consult your dealer for advice.

FLOW INDUCER SLEEVE / SHROUD

Submersible motors are designed to operate with a cooling flow of water over the motor. If that pump installation does not ensure at least the minimum flow of 0.5ft/sec. then a flow inducer sleeve should be used. Some conditions requiring a flow sleeve are:

- Well diameter is too large to meet 0.5ft/sec flow requirements.
- Pump is in open body of water.
- The well is "top-feeding”.
- Pump is set in or below any part of screens or perforations.
- Water temperature exceeding 86 degrees f.

SANDY WELLS

The unit cannot be guaranteed against the erosive action of sand, silt, or other abrasive material suspended in the water pumped.

EFFECT OF CHEMICALS

The standard unit cannot be guaranteed against corrosive action. Even though the chemical analysis of the water is known, it is not always possible to predict this corrosive action on metals. In addition to chemicals, water may contain entrained air or gases that have oxidizing or corrosive effects on metals. Such conditions do not always appear in the chemical analysis of the water.

INSTALLATION EQUIPMENT

Although portable derricks or tripods are sometimes used, a properly designed pump setting rig is recommended. It must be possible to erect the crown block to a height so as to allow the load hook to be raised at least two feet higher than the longest piece. The lifting device must be of sufficient strength and rigidity to raise the total weight of the unit safely. During all steps of installation, care must be used to prevent strains from being imposed upon the pump parts which may cause misalignment, deformation, or malfunction of the unit.

The hoisting equipment will, of course, depend upon the type of tripod or rig in use. In any case, the equipment should have sufficient strength and power to provide a minimum factor of safety of at least six. Obviously for heavier pumps and deeper settings, installation equipment must be stronger and heavier in the direct proportion.

The load hook itself should be of the safety type, with a good easy working swivel and should be truly centered over the axis of the well. When the well is slightly out of plumb, it may be necessary to shift the crown block as the pump assembly becomes progressively longer on installation and displaces laterally with respect to the well head.

Regardless of the type of lifting equipment, or the type of pumping equipment, the primary rule during installation must be SAFETY FIRST.
The following miscellaneous tools are suggested and may be varied to suit the individual installation:

- Wooden friction blocks or steel clamps
- Steel column lifting elevators of approved type and of proper size for the pipe
- Cable sling approximately 10 feet long of adequate size for the load involved
- Two chain tongs
- One megger, or similar instrument indicating electrical resistance
- Clamp-on ammeter
- Voltmeter
- Pipe wrenches and Mechanic’s hand tools

A good grade of pipe joint compound must be available to facilitate assembly and possibly future disassembly. As the installation progresses, all threads must be cleaned thoroughly with a wire brush and compound applied with a paint brush.

**PUMP FOUNDATION**

A suitable pump foundation should always be provided, preferably of solid concrete construction. If this is not practical, adequate steel beams may be used.

The pump foundation should be built to carry the weight of the entire pump full of water and should be rigid enough to withstand and prevent any vibration. If the pump is mounted on beams, the beams should be heavy enough to prevent spring action between the spans, also with lateral bracing and to prevent side motion, if any.

A preferred pump foundation should be constructed of concrete mixes as follows:

- One part cement
- Two parts sand
- Four parts gravel
- With sufficient water to make a stiff mix

The area of the base of the foundation should be at least six inches larger on all sides than the pump discharge elbow base, and should be governed by allowable soil loadings. On heavy, deep setting pumps, the foundation should be engineered for safety and should be large and deep enough so that the load per square foot of concrete does not exceed ordinary foundation standards.

**UNLOADING AND PREPARATION FOR INSTALLATION**

Refer to the assembly drawing which is included with these instructions and become familiar with the construction of the pump before attempting to assemble, install, dismantle or do any repair work on the unit. During all steps of unloading and installation care must be used to prevent strains from being imposed upon the pump parts which might cause bending or misalignment of any of the critical parts.

Uncrate the parts and inspect carefully to be sure nothing was damaged in shipment. Check in detail the condition of any exposed shafting or any electrical conductors. If any part has been damaged or broken in shipment, please report it immediately to the factory and to the transportation company involved with full particulars, with pictures of the damage if possible. Confirm all verbal understandings by letter. **DO NOT ACCEPT SHIPMENTS SHOWING DAMAGE TO EQUIPMENT/OR CRATING. DO NOT SIGN FOR INCOMPLETE SHIPMENTS.**

Extreme care must be taken in handling and installing all parts, particularly the electrical conductors. Parts which are too heavy to be lifted from the transporting car or truck should be skidded carefully to the ground so as to **prevent injury.** Never drop such parts directly from the carrier to the ground. Never use crates in which parts are shipped for skids.
Lay out the column pipe and bowl/motor assembly on suitable timbers or staging keeping all material out of the dirt. Pipe coupling ends should be located towards the well. Clean all threads thoroughly and coat with joint compound as installed. All other parts should be cleaned and laid out on a clean surface in the order in which they will be used. Check against the packing list to be sure that no parts are missing.

DROP PIPE

Drop pipe should have 3/4” NPT taper threads with matching heavy duty couplings. 3”, 4” and 5” are normally 21 foot random lengths: larger sizes are usually 20 foot. If butt thread drop pipe is used, it must be pinned at each joint to prevent unscrewing, as the motor torque tends to loosen butt threads. Please be advised that National Pump recommends that you never use butt thread column pipe with a submersible pump.

MOTOR RESISTANCE CHECK

It is important to know that the motor has not been damaged during shipment. Before removing motor from shipping skids attach one pole of the megger to ground and the other pole of the megger to any one of the motor leads. The minimum reading for each lead to ground should be 50 megohms. To check phases for continuity, connect the megger poles to two of the three leads, alternating until all three pairs of leads have been checked. Megger readings should all be zero which indicates a continuous circuit.

Such a resistance check should be performed during and immediately following the completion of installation.

MOTOR TO PUMP END ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1
Remove the motor and pump end from containers. At this time, check to make sure pump model horsepower matches motor horsepower rating. Also, check motor phase and voltage to make sure it matches power source.
Raise motor to vertical position, making sure motor is adequately supported. Pump and motor should never be assembled in horizontal position as damage to pump shaft could occur.

NOTE: Oil or water filled motor - check levels.

Step 2
Raise pump to vertical position over motor, inspect flanges of pump and motor making sure all dust, paint, grease, and rust are removed from flange faces. Make sure no obstruction is in motor coupling. Verify that the pump shaft and motor shaft turn freely.

Step 3
Lower pump slowly onto motor. Guide pump into proper alignment (never rest pump on motor shaft). Align cable recess on pump making sure you do not pinch motor leads. Coupling should slip freely into place to join pump and motor. Pump should be lowered to meet motor flange flush. Bolt pump end and motor together with stainless fasteners provided. Verify impeller lift at this time. NOTE: Should pump end not meet motor flange flush, see Step 4.

Step 4
The thrust assembly is pre-set at factory but could need final adjustment when pump and motor are coupled. The thrust assembly consists of either thrust bolt and jam nut or thrust plug. First, the thrust bolt should be screwed all the way down against the pump shaft. When the bolt bottoms, the bolt may be backed off two (2) turns. With a wrench as a backup, now screw the jam nut against the pump casting and jam lock nut and bolt.
With the thrust plug, screw all the way down against the pump shaft, then back off one and a half (1-1/2) turns. This will allow for ample momentary upthrust.

The thrust assembly, if set too closely, could prevent you from bolting pump and motor or even locking shaft rotation. Make sure you have ample clearance for pump to fit flush with motor.

**CONSULT FACTORY OR LOCAL SALES OFFICE SHOULD QUESTIONS ARISE**

Assemble the pump cable guard over the motor leads. Do not cut or pinch lead wire during assembly or handling of the pump during installation.

**ELECTRICAL CABLE**

Use cable suitable for use in water, sized to carry the motor current without overheating in water and in air, and complying with local regulations. To maintain adequate voltage at the motor, use lengths no longer than specified in the motor manufacturer’s cable charts.

Include a ground wire to the pump as required by codes or surge protection connected to the power supply ground. **Always ground any pump operated outside a drilled well.**
SUBMERSIBLE CABLE SELECTION CHART
CABLE LENGTH VERSUS MOTOR AMPERES

Based on 5% voltage drop - 60°C copper temperature and 30°C ambient temperature. Maximum ampere value for each cable size must be reduced if ambient temperature exceeds 30°C.
ELECTRICAL SPLICES AND CONNECTIONS

Splices must be waterproof. Make a strong mechanical bond between the motor leads and the cable to avoid high resistance at the connection. A poor mechanical connection, or a poorly wrapped splice, can cause motor malfunction and failure.

Before connecting the motor to the cable, perform a ground check to assure that the motor has not been damaged. Attach one end of an ohmmeter to any of the three motor leads and the other lead to the pump intake bracket. A new motor must have a resistance of 2 megohms or greater. If it does not, contact your dealer. Repeat for all three leads.

Prepare the cable and make the mechanical connections (Figure 3) and splices as follows:

1. Cut motor leads and corresponding cable ends at 3-inch spacings to stagger connections for a smooth splice.
2. Cut connecting cable to match the motor leads.

**NOTICE:** Match color coded wires, red to red, black to black, and white to white.

3. If a “Sta-Kon” connector is used, bare wire should be exposed approximately 1/2”. If stranded wire is to be soldered, exposed wire should be about 1 inch long

**NOTICE:** Sta-Kon connectors may be used with solid conductors through 8 AWG, and with stranded conductors through 10 AWG.

4. Clean exposed ends of the conductors thoroughly with emery cloth or sandpaper to assure good electrical connections.

5a. (Sta-Kon Connection). Insert conductors and crimp connector to the conductor using a Sta-Kon pliers. Connectors should butt against insulation after crimping. Pull on the cable to assure the connection is solid and tight.

**NOTICE:** Do not use acid core solder or corrosive paste.

5b. (Soldered Connection). Straighten individual strands and spread apart slightly. Clean each strand and push strands of the cable into matching (color coded) open strands of the motor leads. Using fine copper wire, wrap entire length of the “joint” until the strands are compressed. Apply solder, being sure solder flows throughout the joint. Pull firmly on the cable to test the joint.

6. Repeat step 5 for each lead.

7. Clean joints and adjoining cable/wire insulation of all grease and dirt, and build up the joint area with tape until it matches the diameter of the cable.

Because friction tape is not water resistant, never use friction tape on a watertight splice. Use Scotch Number 33, or equivalent.

8. Starting 1-1/2” back from the joint, firmly apply one layer of tape, overlapping about half the previous lap and continuing approximately 1-1/2” beyond the joint. Cut tape evenly and press both ends firmly against cable.

9. Apply two additional layers of tape, as described in Step 8, beginning and ending 1-1/2” beyond the previous starting point.
CABLE SPLICING INSTRUCTIONS

There are several good methods of attaching the drop cable to the motor leads. Any method used must have high insulation value, be corrosion resistant, and most of all, must be waterproof under pressure.

As every 2.31 feet of water represents one pound of pressure, the total pressure at the splice depends on the submergence. This is why testing a finished splice in a bucket of water, as is sometimes done, is not an accurate test.

As pressure testing is not a practical operation, in most cases it becomes evident that great care should be used in the splicing operation. Generally splicing is not a complicated job and if the necessary care and time is taken, there is no reason why the splice should not be successful.

TAPE SPLICING

A good waterproof electrical tape must be used. Never use ordinary friction tape. The tape recommended is the “Scotch” brand due to their personal experience with the product; however, any other brand of good waterproof electrical tape would serve the purpose.

The three types of “Scotch” tape used are as follows:

- **No. 23** This is used for the first layer as it affords excellent insulation and, most importantly, it is of a thick pliable texture which is good for the filling of voids in the connection, thus preparing the way for the final layers of tape with its waterproofing qualities. It should be noted at this point that on some of the larger sizes of cable splices, it may be necessary to use several wraps of No. 23 to fill the gaps at the connection and smooth out the joint.

- **No. 33** This is the tape generally used in tape splicing and is an excellent waterproofing electrical tape which is used for the final laps. If No.23 is not available, the No. 33 may also be used for the initial layer. A word of caution concerning the use of No. 33, this tape tends to lose its elastic and adhesive qualities when applied in a cool or cold atmosphere. It is, therefore, necessary to apply this tape at close to room temperature or in some way keep it warm when using.

- **No. 88** This tape, although a little more expensive than No. 33, has superior adhesive qualities in cold weather and is highly recommended as a splicing tape under any installation conditions. As with all tapes that have an elastic quality, it should be wrapped firmly but not over-stretched as this tends to “thin the tape out”.

TAPE SPLICING INSTRUCTIONS

Cut the cable so that connections will be staggered about 3’ apart. Take care not to nick or cut the copper conductor, strip enough insulation from wire to fit well into connector. Shape the end of the insulation in the manner of sharpening a pencil. This makes it easy to fill the void between the insulation and connector. Carefully scrape or sand the copper wire clean. This step is very important if finished splice is to be a trouble free connection.

Follow the cable color code, crimp the wires in the connectors. It is important that the proper crimping tool is used rather than ordinary pliers. If a crimping tool is not available, it is recommended that a good solder connection is made between the wire and the connector. Never use an acid core solder on electrical connections.

As most outer cable insulation has a wax type finish which makes a poor surface for the tape, use sandpaper or steel wool and clean the surface 3” to 6” on each side of the connector, depending on the size splice to be made.

Fill in around the connector and 1-1/2” to 2-1/2” along the cable with the No. 23 or No. 33 tape. Then, using No. 33 or No. 88 tape, wrap firmly and smoothly (without wrinkles) using an overlap about half the width of the tape. Complete the splice with 4 of the finishing laps, taking each lap beyond the end of the layer underneath to make a tapered finish. When finished, cut: do not tear the tape. To help insure good sealing, finish off with a coat of “Scotchkote” which is a fairly fast drying sealant and bonding agent. Some pump men prefer to use this sealant between each layer of tape, which is, of course, an added safety feature, but not absolutely necessary if the rest of the splice has been made with care.

A very good splice can also be made using heat shrink tubing in combination with the aforementioned tapes. The shrink tubing contains a sealant which melts when treated, thus making a better seal between cable and tubing.
To use shrink tubing, prepare cables in the same way: slide tubing on cables and make connections. Fill in the gaps with No. 23 or No. 33 tape. Centralize tubing on connector: then, using a small heating torch, heat the tubing, working out from the center until the sealant flows from the ends of the tubing. CAUTION: Do not allow naked flame to contact the tubing or the cables.

Cover the tubing with 2 or 3 lap layers of No. 33 or No. 88 tape and coat with “Scotchkote.”

**CABLE SPLICE RESISTANCE CHECK**

It is important that the cable be tested both before and during the installation to test the cable after splice, connect one megger lead to the bowl assembly and the other lead to one of the cable leads at the cable reel. Minimum reading should be 50 megohms. Wet the cable splice and as much of the cable as practical. The megger reading should be the same as before. If it reduces substantially, there is a leak somewhere and it should be found by wetting down the cable a portion at a time, taking megger readings all the while. When testing cable during installation, the cable should be megged every pipe section as soon as the motor reaches water level. To do this, connect one megger lead to the cable reel and the other lead to the discharge pipe. This will immediately indicate any cable damage during installation. Minimum reading should be 50 megohms.

**DIRECTION OF ROTATION**

While bowl/motor assembly is still at the surface, connect lead wires to proper terminals in control box. Secure the pump and motor with chain tongs to absorb the torque. Bump-start the pump by pressing the start button and immediately hitting the stop button one second maximum observe the direction the unit tries to react to the pump torque the instant the motor starts. This reaction should show as a clockwise kick when viewed from suction end of bowls, indicating that the shaft and impellers are rotating in the opposite or counterclockwise direction. If any other direction is indicated, interchange any two of the motor leads at the control panel. Correct rotation is of extreme importance. Excessive overloads may be developed under operating conditions with reverse rotation.

Since shaft and bearing in the bowl assembly are dry at this point, care must be taken to apply power for rotation check for only a minimum time increment. Start and stop should be operated almost simultaneously. Too long a period of operation may lead to generation of journal heat and consequent bearing seizure.

When rotation is correct, mark the leads. It is of extreme importance to establish proper direction of rotation. At this time, copy the full load amperes from the motor nameplate. This data will be required before starting the unit for the first time after it is in the well. Secure the cable above the lifting hook to avoid tension on the motor leads and splice.

**INSTALLING PUMP**

Depending upon the clearance in the well casing, depth and straightness of the well, there may be some danger of pinching the cable between the column pipe coupling and well casing when lowering the unit. If protector-type cable supports are not used, a rubber padding may be used to cover the cable at these points if there is any danger of abrasion or pinching of the cable. When lowering the unit, the discharge pipe should be held against the casing on the side opposite to the cable to allow as much clearance for the cable as possible.

The top of the well casing may have sharp or rough edges and so it is important to protect the cable against cutting or scraping at this point also. A protective covering may be clamped over the rough well casing or the cable may be run over a pulley mounted high enough to allow the conductor to follow the discharge pipe down during the installation. Padding made of gasket material or something similar could also be used — a simple device that affords adequate cable shielding.

Set the pipe clamps over the well and open up wide enough for the motor and bowl assembly. Care should be taken so that threads will not be damaged while each section is being raised. Clean all threads and paint with thread lubricant. Thread the pipe into the discharge case connection and make up tight, using one set of chain tongs for back-up. The discharge pipe threads **MUST** be made up tight so that the motor torque will not loosen the joint during start-ups. A **MINIMUM** torque force of ten foot pounds per rated motor horsepower **MUST** be applied to each threaded joint in order to resist the reaction of the torque applied by the motor during starts and stops.
Lower the unit into the operating location with the various pipe sections. Make up each joint tight as described above, keeping in mind the **MINIMUM** figure of 10 foot pounds per horsepower. Be very careful to keep the electrical cable from rubbing over the sharp edges and position the elevators so as to avoid damage to the cable. Avoid twisting the unit, wrapping the cable around the pipe. Mount a cable guard directly above the couplings in convenient spacing. The cable guard spacing should not exceed 20 feet in any case. The first cable guard should be applied just above the splice and as near the bowl assembly as practical. Be sure that the cable remains reasonably taut and on the same side of the discharge pipe during the complete installation. Place the final cable guard approximately 3 feet below the surface plate, leaving a small amount of slack in the cable. Lower the surface plate and discharge elbow into position on the discharge pipe and make up tight. Insert the cable through surface plate or through channel if provided in the foundation and on into the terminal box or to the motor control panel.

The unit may now be lowered onto the foundation, with extreme care to avoid damage to the electrical cable. Lowering **MUST** be done gently and evenly with **NO** jerks or impacts. Insert the flange bolts if used and tighten evenly. Any future disassembly may be accomplished by reversing the procedure.

**ELECTRICAL CONTROL EQUIPMENT**

The characteristics of submersible motors are different from standard motors and special overload protection is required. **WARRANTY ON THREE PHASE SUBMERSIBLE MOTORS IS VOID UNLESS PROPER QUICK TRIP AMBIENT COMPENSATED PROTECTION IS USED IN ALL THREE MOTOR LINES.** All recommended overload protection selections are of the ambient compensated type to maintain protection at high or low air temperatures. Other controlling devices must depend on system design. This would include pressure switches and other such equipment. Additional protection should be provided to insure that the unit will not start or run unless adequate submergence is provided. In areas where electrical storms are prevalent, the use of lighting arresters is recommended as a motor protection.

**CURRENT CHECK**

With a suitable ammeter, read the current of the three phased, immediately upon starting, then while pump is running at its rated capacity and head. The average of the three current readings in the three phases should be approximately equal to full load current on the nameplate, assuming a full torque load on the motor. If the average current exceeds the nameplate value by over 15% at any time, stop the unit immediately. Such high current is an indication that something is wrong, the cause of which must be determined before the motor is operated. Please note that this is a quick initial check. Actual power input must be established with a watt hour meter.

**VOLTAGE CHECK**

In addition to showing proper average current, the individual values of line current should be approximately equal. If the current in any leg differs from the average value of all three by more than 5%, the supply voltage is probably unbalanced. A voltmeter reading should be taken on each of the three phases with the pump running. The average of the readings should be within plus or minus 10% of the motor nameplate rating of the motor. In addition, the maximum variation if any phase from the average value should not exceed 1%. The effect of unbalanced supply voltage is to create a current unbalance and increased loses in the motor far out of proportion to the magnitude of the voltage imbalance.

**AIRLINE INSTALLATION AND OPERATION**

An airline submerged in the well water provides the simplest method of determining the depth to the water level.

To use an airline, it is necessary to know the exact length of the line from a reference point, generally the discharge elbow base. The airline should extend past the bowl to about the middle of the motor. As the length of discharge pipe is known, the distance to the top of the bowl assembly from the foundation is usually some multiple of 10 feet. Mark a point on the motor if the airline is to extend to the depth. Measure the distance of the point below the lowest section of discharge pipe length. This is the total length of airline.
While the bowl assembly is in an upright position, before lowering into well, secure the first section of airline in the predetermined location. It is a good idea to slot the airline with a sawcut, some two to three inches above the bottom. This will reduce closure or clogging of the bottom end. Fasten the line in place so that it will not slip downward as additional sections are installed. It is recommended that the position of the upper end be marked on the discharge pipe as soon as each section of airline is installed so that it can be noted if any displacement occurs.

Add sections of airline at random lengths after the sections of discharge pipe have been installed and the pump is hanging from the hoist. It can be routed along with the power cable. Keep the airline outside of the elevators and fasten to the discharge pipe after removing the elevators at the level. Each joint must be made up airtight to be effective; so uses a thread sealing compound rather than a simple thread lubricant.

The last section of airline will have to be cut and fitted for length to match with the fitting furnished with the gauge and discharge elbow. Avoid hanging the weight of the airline on a fitting having its thread in a horizontal direction. For example, if the airline is to hang from an elbow, support the elbow rather than the horizontal nipple just behind the elbow.

Mount the gauge and air valve on the discharge elbow and connect the airline to it. It is generally good practice to remove the glass on the gauge and mark the depth of airline on the dial for record purposes. It will also be helpful to add the date of installation. If at any subsequent time an extension is added to the pump and the airline is extended also, the record on the gauge should then be brought up to date with the new length and new date.

Gauges are two types: direct reading and altitude. Each uses the same values of pressure to determine the depth. By pumping the airline full of air through the Schrader valve, the air pressure recorded at the surface of the ground is equal (within small limits) to the depth of water over the end of the airline.

With a direct reading gauge it is necessary to set the hand to point on the dial equal to the length airline. This must be done while there is no pressure on the gauge. Remove the Schrader valve core before making this adjustment. This gauge will read the distance to the water when the airline is pumped up. The hand will move away from the position equal to the pressure in the airline.

With an altitude gauge, this pressure is recorded directly on the gauge so that the depth of water is equal to the length of the airline, minus reading on the altitude gauge.

A periodic determination of water level recorded together with hours of pump operation from a vital record of the well performance and changes. Well performance will vary or may even deteriorate over a period of time and any required revisions in the pump can best be planned from a good well record.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Column check valves are sometimes used to control reverse flow back to the pump, and to protect the well. Prevention of reverse flow and consequent reverse rotation will protect the pump and motor to reduce or eliminate over-speeding in reverse rotation, a condition which will not harm the pump, but might damage the motor.

Caution should be used in using check valves due to the possibility of sand locking and air accumulation under the valve. An airlock condition may cause prevention of the flow of water which could cause damage to the unit.

If check valves are used, install the first check valve after the first 20 foot section of pipe above the pump. To avoid water hammer and pipe breakage for 6” and larger submersible turbine pumps installed deeper than 600 feet, a second check valve should be installed at the nearest pipe joint about halfway between the pump and ground level. The distance from the first check valve to the second check valve and from the second check valve to ground level should not be equal.

The motor maximum diameter and the minimum inside diameter of the well shall be in such relationship that the minimum velocity past the motor shall be 0.5 feet per second.

If there is inadequate or restricted circulation of water past the motor, the motor may overheat and burn out. Each motor manufacturer has different recommendations; but in general, if water is continually flowing into the pump chamber and flow past the motor is unrestricted, the motor will operate satisfactorily. Consult the factory in doubtful cases. Use of liquid level control or flow switch to prevent pump breaking suction is recommended.
If the temperature of the water exceeds 86°F (30°C), motor failure may result. Consult factory if water temperature exceeds this limitation.

Developing the well, surging and freeing it from sand, are part of the well driller’s contract and should be performed using a test pump. A new submersible MUST not be used to develop the well.

Never pull the discharge pipe to the discharge head with the cap screws or bolts. Install the pipeline so that the fasteners are used to prevent leakage only. Hanging the weight of the discharge line and fitting on the elbow is not recommended. Support the line by blocking or concrete saddles. Use a dresser-type coupling wherever possible, although adequate tie bars across the coupling must be provided in this case. Elbow must be securely anchored to foundation.

Be sure the pump is always submerged, even at extreme pumping rates. It is recommended that the pump be installed about 10 to 20 feet below the lowest “draw down” water level. Set the pump at least 5 feet above the bottom of the well.

Never allow a pump to start while it is possible that it may still be rotating in reverse direction after having shut down. It is advisable to install a time delay relay to prevent this. Replacing heaters with components of heavier rating than recommended if the pump load begins to trip those furnished originally is never advisable since these are protective devices.

It is considered good practice to avoid excessive cycling in any pumping operation. This is especially true with submersible pumps. If possible, the system should be arranged to require not more than two starts in each twenty four hours. Frequent cycling, such as once every couple of hours, could be injurious to the motor.

In all cases, it is recommended that regular maintenance schedules be established and followed. Making accurate recordings periodically of the various measurements recommended herein will permit preventative measures to be taken before trouble occurs. It will also provide information for the diagnosis of any difficulties.

OPERATION AT SHUT-OFF HEADS

In the usual application of vertical turbine pumps, no harm will result from operation under conditions of shut-off heads for a short period of time; however, not all installations are “usual” and, for this reason, consideration should be given to any unit which may be subjected to this usage. The following points should therefore be checked and resolved before putting the equipment into operation at or near shut-off heads.

1. Thrust bearing capacity must be adequate.
2. If prolonged operation at no flow is contemplated, the problem of heat dissipation may become acute, since the entire shut-off horsepower is converted to heat in the available fluid.
3. For high pressure units, stresses at shut-off heads should be investigated. This information may be obtained from the factory upon request.
4. Certain impeller designs may have critical horsepower characteristics at low flows. Shut-off power requirements should be examined for driver overloads.
5. It must be kept in mind that impeller shaft bearings depend on pumped fluid for lubrication. Fluid temperatures, if raised excessively due to lack of flow, may impair lubrication efficiency and may also damage the motor through excessive heat.

To summarize, designs will easily accommodate most of the considerations listed above. However, to obtain the best possible application, the factory should be notified at the time of order if operation at static flow heads will be a possibility and this precaution must be observed to validate any warranties.
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