

CASE STUDY NUMBER:	Case Study 20
DESCRIPTION:	2" VALVE ENCLSOURE
CLIENT:	

SERVICE:	
Line size	2"
Design Pressure	22,5
Operating Presure	21
Design Temperature	239
Operating Temperature	200
Material	SA-333 Gr6
Line Class	300

ANOMALY DESCRIPTION:
Steam leak from the glands and bonnet of a very old valve.

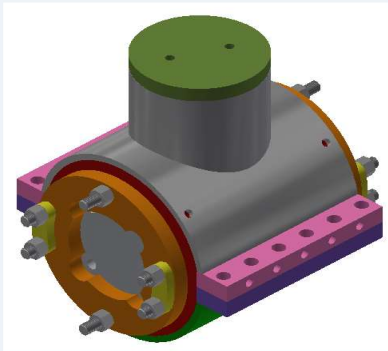
ROOT CAUSES
<p>A worn out bonnet gasket caused steam to leak out of the valve.</p> <p>The valve was previously repaired by pinning a wire between the bonnets and injecting polymer compound through the bonnet.</p> <p>Due to old age of the valve, the steam leak was discovered despite the previous repair that was done on the valve.</p>

INTEGRITY CONCERNS (INCLUDING PICTURES)
<p>The valve bonnet forms part of the piping pressure system and failure of the bonnet would result in catastrophic explosion of the valve and uncontrolled excessive service leak.</p>



THE BERUSEAL SOLUTION (WITH PICTURES)

Failure of the previous repair system resulted in the need for a new and improved repair method. A 2" valve enclosure was designed according to ASME VIII Div 1 to cover the entire valve section. The enclosure would contain the process service should the bonnet fail completely. A strongback system was also designed to keep the clamp (and the piping system) in place should there be a complete failure of bonnet bolting.



INSTALLATION PICTURES



CONCLUSION

A successful seal was obtained by injecting a polymer compound into a sealing groove that runs throughout the valve flanges. The polymer compound was also injected into the cavity space of the enclosure resulting in a tight seal of the leak.