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Velcon Filters, Inc. first filter manufacturer to receive qualifications in all three categories of API/IP 1581 5th Edition Specification

Colorado Springs, CO – Velcon Filters, Inc., an industry leader in the fuel filtration market, announced today that it passed a qualification test to Category M, Type S, of the API/IP Specification 1581, 5th Edition. Representatives from United States Air Force witnessed the testing, which took place on October 7 & 8, 2003.

The tests, which were conducted in Velcon's indoor jet fuel testing lab, consisted of the vessel, R11 Oshkosh, and 15 ea. of Velcon's I-440MM coalescers and SI-542 separators, at flow rates up to 600 gpm. The single-element and full-scale tests were run to the most demanding requirements of the specification (Type S & 3% water).

With completion of this test series, Velcon becomes the first filter manufacturer in the world to qualify to all three categories of the API/IP 1581 5th Edition Specification. The attached table shows all of the tests that Velcon has passed to date for the 5th Edition. Recently, Velcon, along with its European affiliate Warner Lewis, Jr. Industrie-Filter GmbH of Germany, were awarded a contract to supply API/IP 1581 5th Edition filter/separator vessels to London's Heathrow Airport for the new fuel facility there.

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**API/IP-1581 5th Edition Completed Tests
Velcon Filters, Inc.**

Date	Test Vessel	Flow Rate (GPM)	Category, API/IP 1581 5th Edition	Coalescers	Separators	3rd Stage
Oct-03	R11 OshKosh	600	M - New & Existing Equipment	15 x I-440MM	15 x SI-542	N/A
Sep-03	VV4256	2500	C - New & Existing Equipment	18 x I-654C5TB	8 x SO-646V5	N/A
Jul-03	HV2856	1000	C - New & Existing Equipment	7 x I-656C5TB	2 x SO-648CM	N/A
Jun-03	HV2856M	1312	C - Existing Equipment	7 x I-656C5TB	2 x SO-648V	N/A
Jun-03	VV2752B	900	C - New & Existing Equipment	7 x I-644C5TB	3 x SO-644V5	N/A
Apr-03	AAE	2000	M - New & Existing Equipment	50 x I-620MM	20 x SO-620C	N/A
Dec-02	HVS2628M 3-Stage	600	M100 - New & Existing Equipment	10 x I-628A4TB	8 x SO-616GS	40 x CDF-215
Nov-02	HV2856	1000	M100 - New & Existing Equipment	7 X I-656A4TB	2 X SO-648CM	N/A