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## *Evaluating Ferrocote 118 and BioCorr for Customer*

- Background:** Customer is experiencing corrosion issues in their wash line and would like Cortec to come up with a solution to this problem.
- Purpose:** To compare the corrosion protection of Ferrocote 118, VpCI-418LM and BioCorr on cast iron parts from customer.
- Method:** ASTM D-1735 Water Fog (120°F, ~95% relative humidity)
- Materials:** Four cast iron parts, provided by customer  
 Ferrocote 118  
 VpCI-418LM  
 BioCorr Rust Preventative  
 Non-VCI polyethylene (PE) film
- Procedure:** The following procedure was used:
- 1) Prior to testing, all parts were cleaned with methanol.
  - 2) After cleaning, three of the parts were dipped: one part was dipped in Ferrocote 118, the second was dipped in VpCI-418LM and the last was dipped in BioCorr.
    - a. The fourth part was not dipped and was used as a control.
  - 3) After dipping, all parts were allowed to air dry overnight.
  - 4) After drying, all parts were packaged in non-VCI PE bags.
  - 5) All parts were then placed in ASTM D-1735 water fog cabinet.
  - 6) All parts were visually inspected periodically.
  - 7) After 384 hours, all parts were removed from ASTM D-1735 water fog testing.
  - 8) All parts were visually inspected and photographed.

**Results:** The following results were found:

Product Used	Time to Failure (Hours)
None (Control)	<8
Ferrocote + Non-VCI PE	216
VpCI-418LM + Non-VCI PE	120
BioCorr + Non-VCI PE	360

**Conclusion:** Based on the cast iron composition of these parts, a secondary rust preventive step (after cleaning) will be necessary for corrosion protection. BioCorr provided superior corrosion protection to the Ferrocote product currently used by customer.

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