

The background image shows a large industrial complex, likely a refinery or chemical plant, at night. On the left, there are several large, silver, cylindrical storage tanks connected by a network of pipes and walkways. In the center and right, there are tall smokestacks with red lights near their tops, and various industrial buildings and structures illuminated by warm yellow lights. The sky is a mix of orange and blue, suggesting twilight. Three large, semi-transparent blue geometric shapes (triangles and a diamond) are overlaid on the image: one on the left, one in the center-right, and one on the far right.

# COLFAX

Fluid Handling

LubriMist®  
Oil Mist Lubrication

# Colfax Businesses

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*World leader in the development, engineering, manufacturing, distribution, service and support of fluid-handling systems for critical applications in key industries.*

**Approximate Historical  
Annual Revenue: \$690 Million**



*Excellence in welding and cutting solutions for manufacturing, fabrication and maintenance applications across a broad spectrum of industries.*

**Approximate Historical  
Annual Revenue: \$1.7 Billion**



*Precision air and gas handling equipment for challenging applications, from heavy duty fans to rotary heat exchangers to process gas compressors.*

**Approximate Historical Annual  
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# Colfax Businesses



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## COLFAX PUMPS DIVISION

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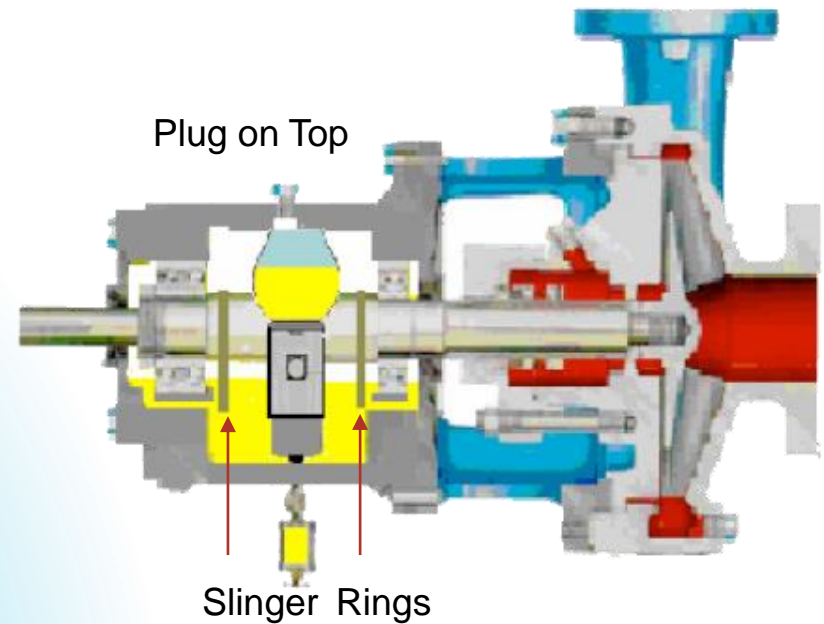
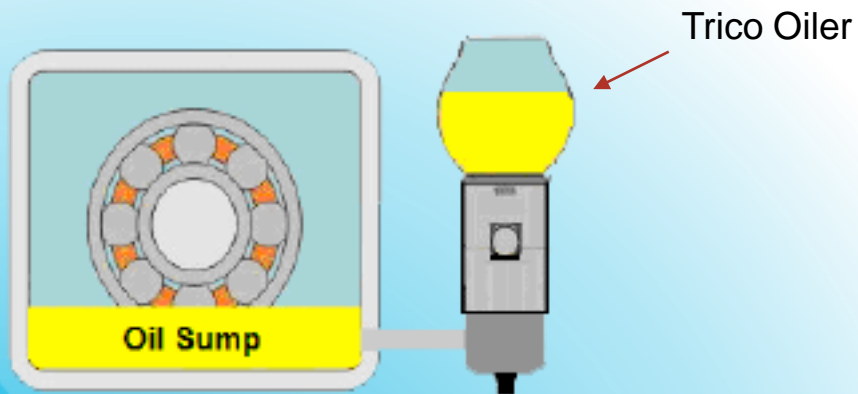
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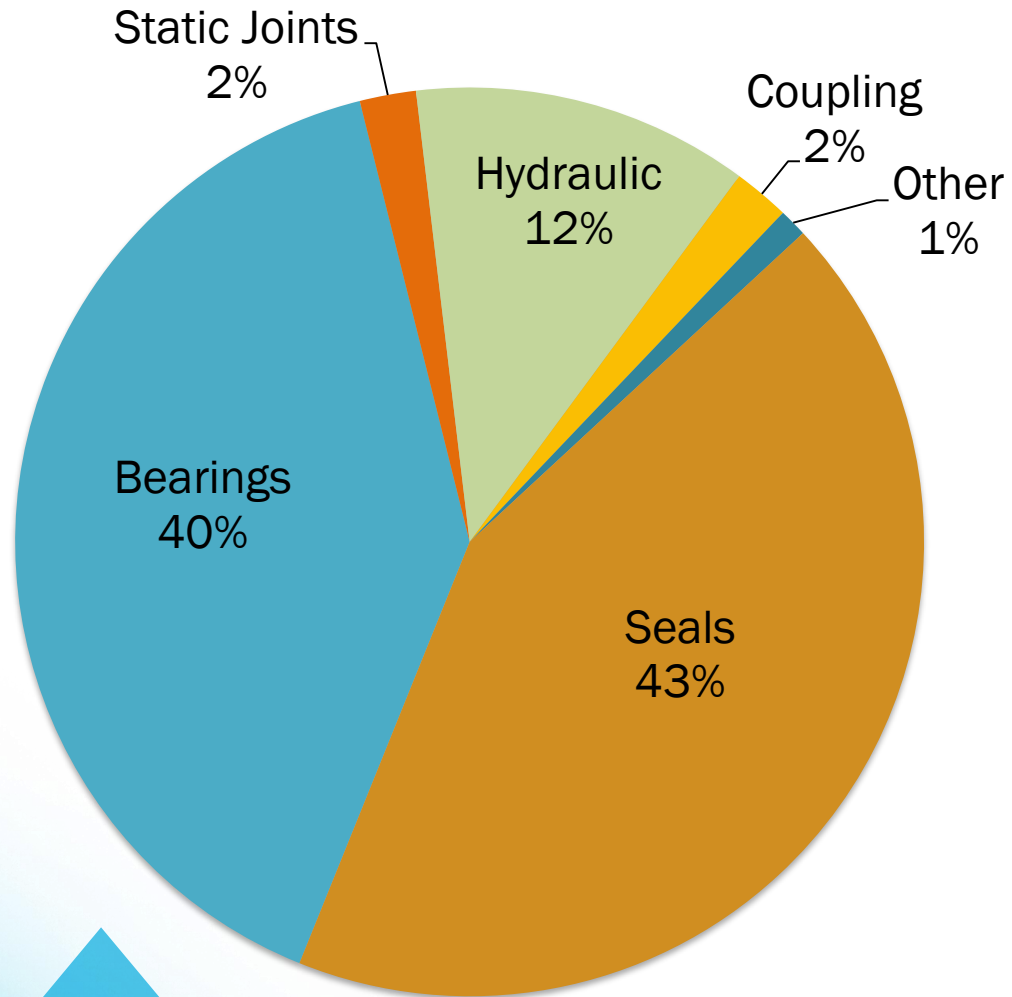
Warren Pumps

# In absence of Oil Mist

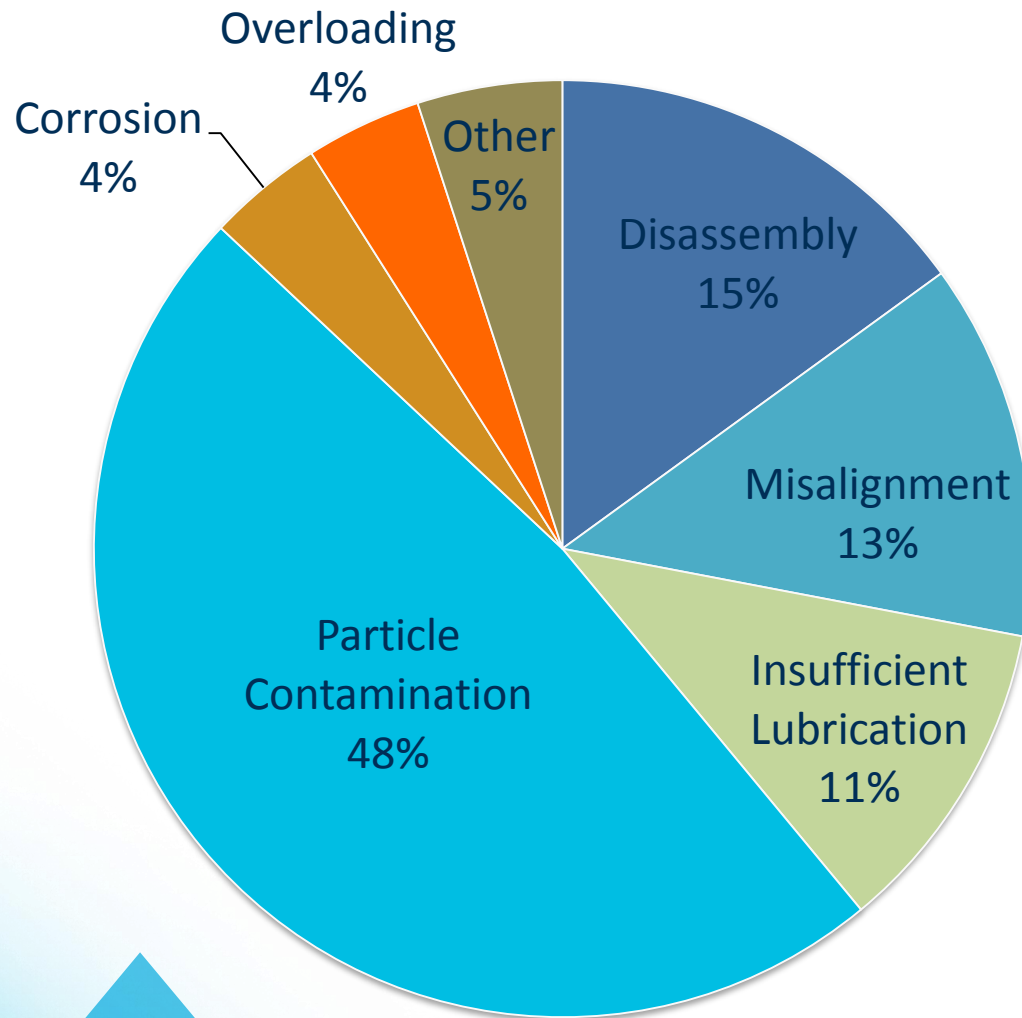
# Typical Sump Lubrication



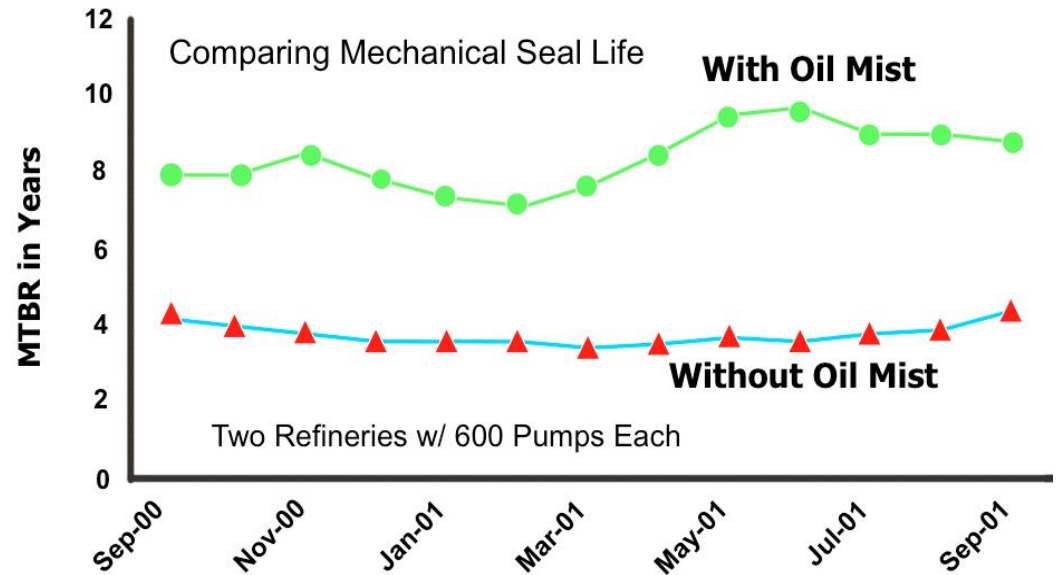
# Why Pumps Fail?



# Why Bearings Fail



# Why Mechanical Seals Fail?



# Oil Mist Generation & Delivery

# What do you need to generate Oil Mist?



Instrument air, i.e. dry air:

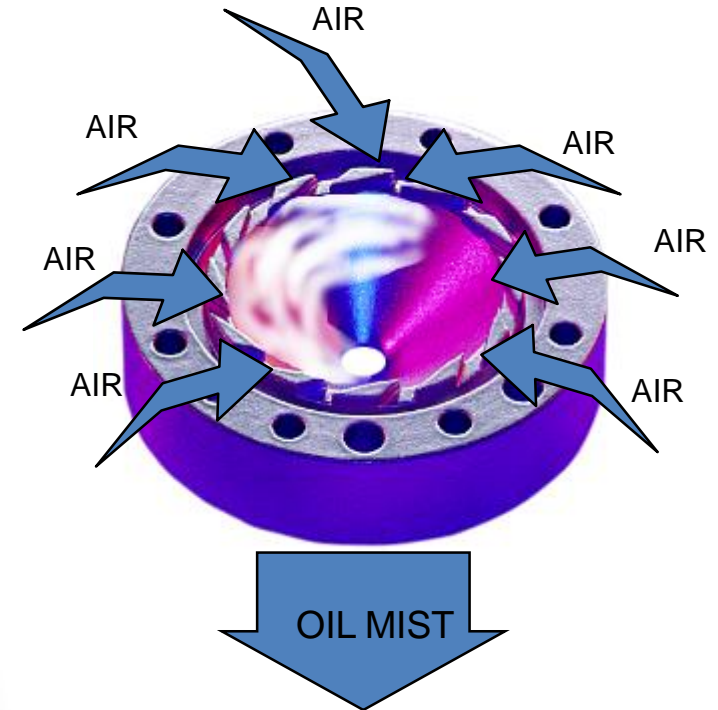
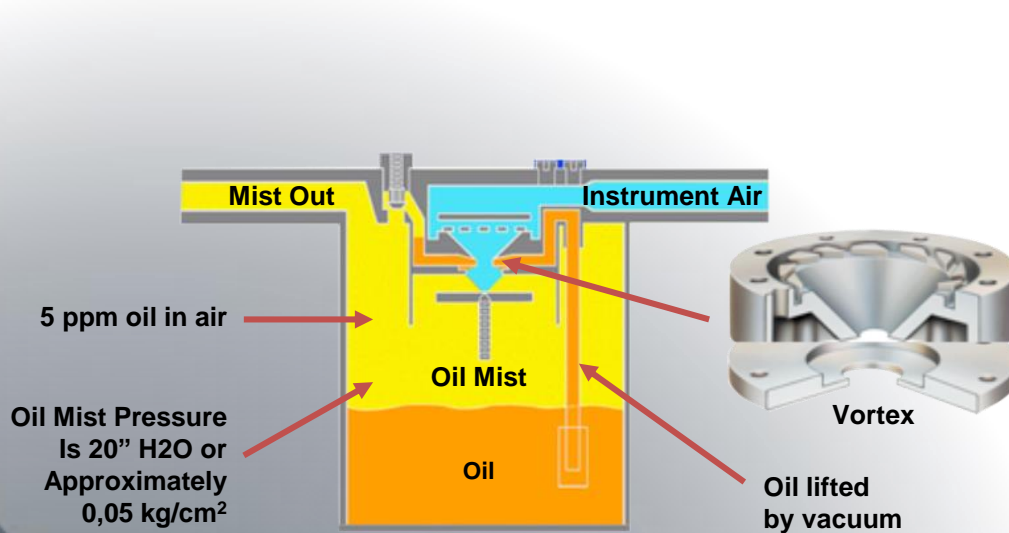
- Minimum supply pressure: 40 PSI, 2.81 kg/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Maximum supply pressure: 150 PSI, 10.54 Kg/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Humidity: Maximum recommended dew point -4° C below minimum all-year temperature.



Paraffinic or synthetic oil ISO VG 32-150

No EP Additives or Viscosity Modifiers

# What is Oil Mist?



**Oil mist will not support combustion or explode.**

# What is Oil Mist?

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- Oil Mist Density: 1 part oil of 200,000 parts air (5ppm)
- Very homogeneous particle size
- Oil particles are 3 microns maximum (Dry Mist)
- Generator outlet pressure 20" water column (50mbar)
- Average temperature 17°C
- Clean mixture
- Non flammable
- Non toxic
- Ability to convey 150m with minimum condensation





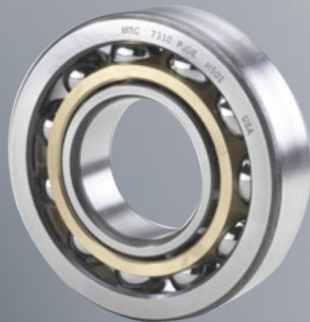
# Oil Mist Delivery

## Oil Mist Particle Sizes

Application & Lubrication

**15 Microns**

Above Wet  
Mist For  
Lubrication



Generation & Distribution

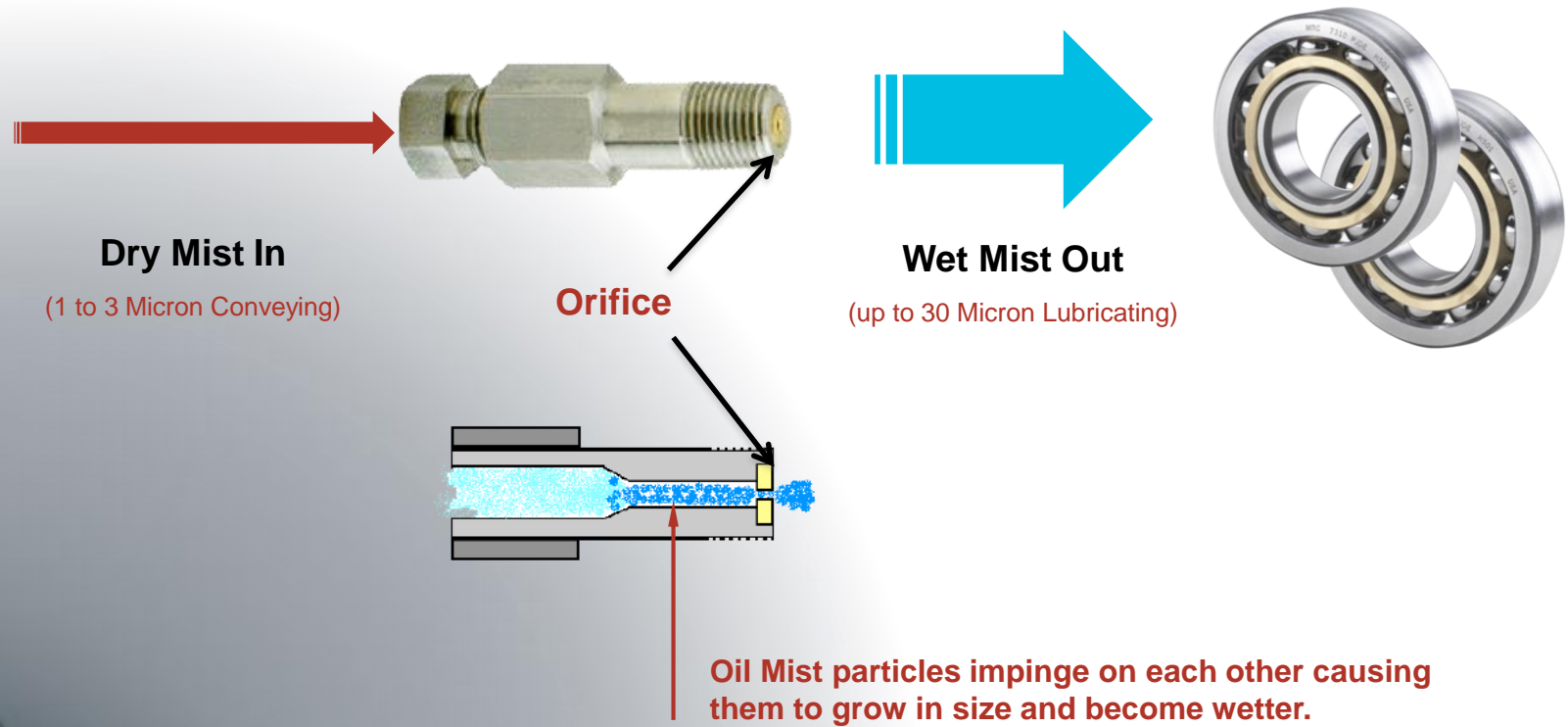
**3 Microns**

Below  
Dry Mist For  
Conveying



# Converting Oil Mist

## Oil Mist Lubrication



# Oil Mist Benefits

# The impact of Oil Mist

## Oil Mist is the Ultimate Oil Filter



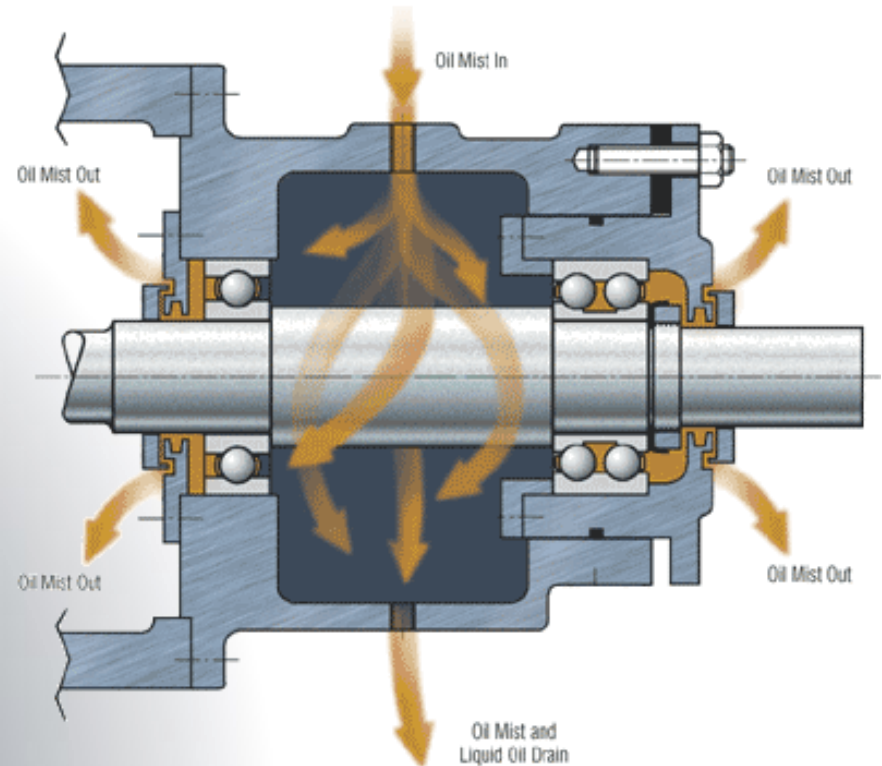
◆ Typical cleanliness level  
ISO 4406 **16/13/10**

Beyond pre-filtrating the oil and the air in the mixture, the cyclone generated in the Vortex separates the particulate from the Oil Mist fed to the system.

# The impact of Oil Mist

## Oil Mist is the Ultimate Bearing Protector

◆ Positive Pressure **50mbar**



# The impact of Oil Mist

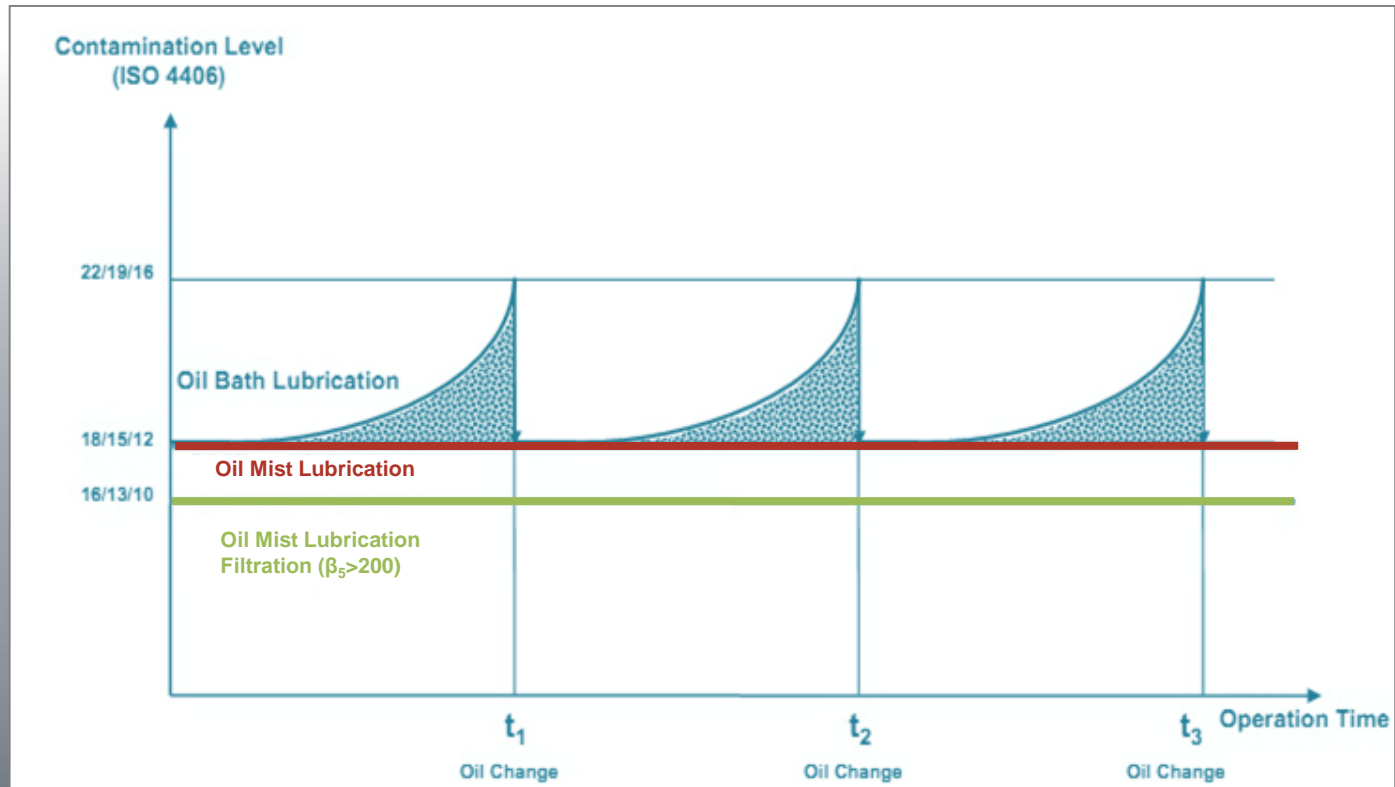
Estimated Life Extension Table

		Targeted Cleanliness Level (ISO Code)																					
		20/17	19/16	18/15	17/14	16/13	15/12	14/11	13/10	12/9	11/8	10/7											
Existing Machine Cleanliness (ISO Code)	26/23	5 4	3 2.5	7 4.5	3.5 3	9 6	4 3.5	>10 6.5	5 4	>10 7.5	6 5	>10 8.5	7.5 6.5	>10 10	9 7	>10 >10	>10 9	>10 >10	>10 10	>10 >10	>10 >10	>10 >10	>10 >10
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Hydraulic and Diesel Engines	Rolling Element Bearings
Journal Bearings and Turbo Machinery	Gear Boxes and Other

Example

# Superior Cleanliness Levels



# Temperature Benefits

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- ◆ Bearing temperatures decline typically 8-10 degrees Celsius with pure oil mist versus liquid oil lube
- ◆ For every 10 degree drop, the bearing  $L_{10}$  life increases 11%

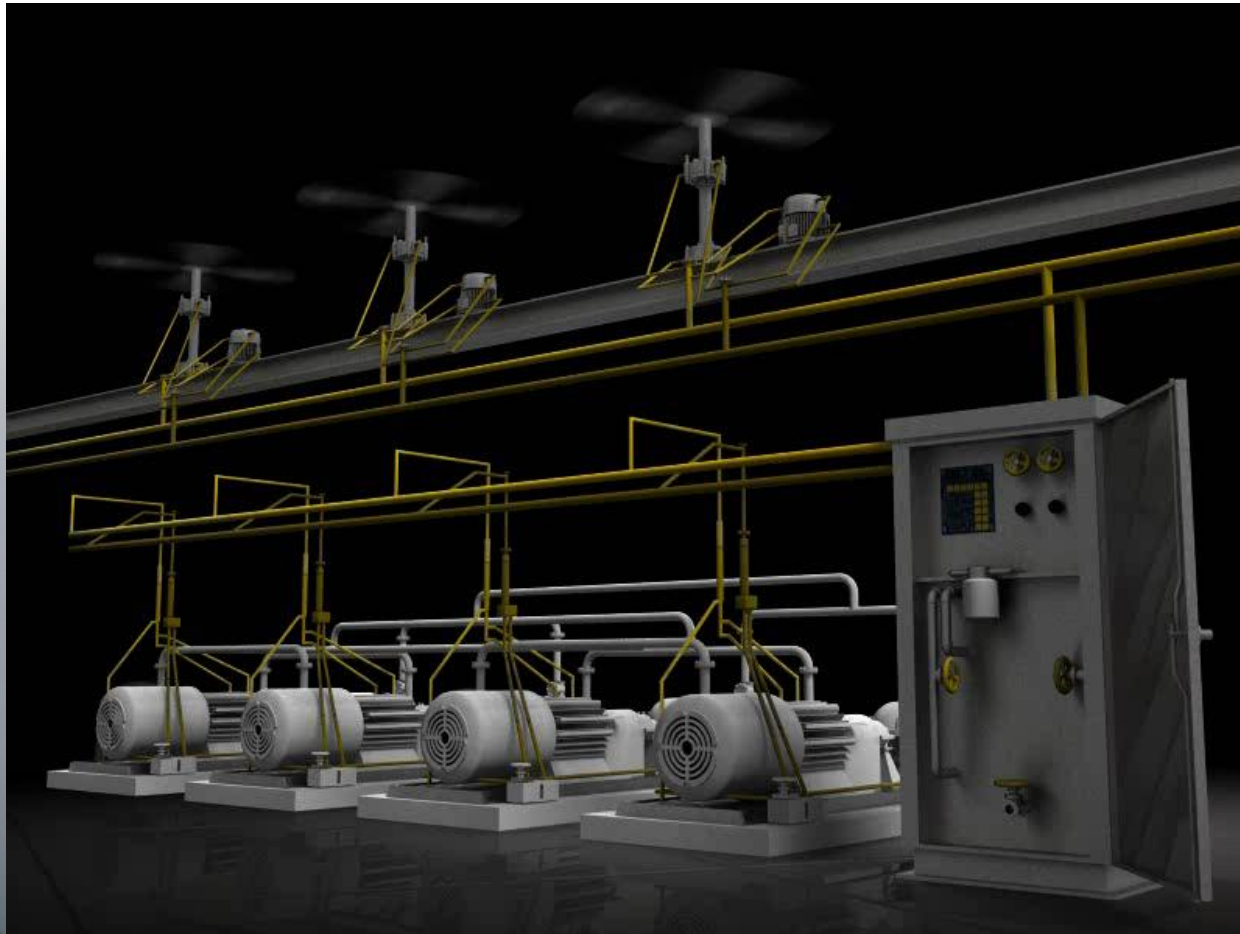
# Other benefits

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- ◆ Resulting from MTBF increase:
  - Plant availability – reduced loss of profit
  - Reduced maintenance costs
  - Reduced insurance premiums
- ◆ Automation of the lubrication process
- ◆ Lower consumption of lube oil, cooling water, energy
- ◆ Increased personal safety
- ◆ Increased asset safety

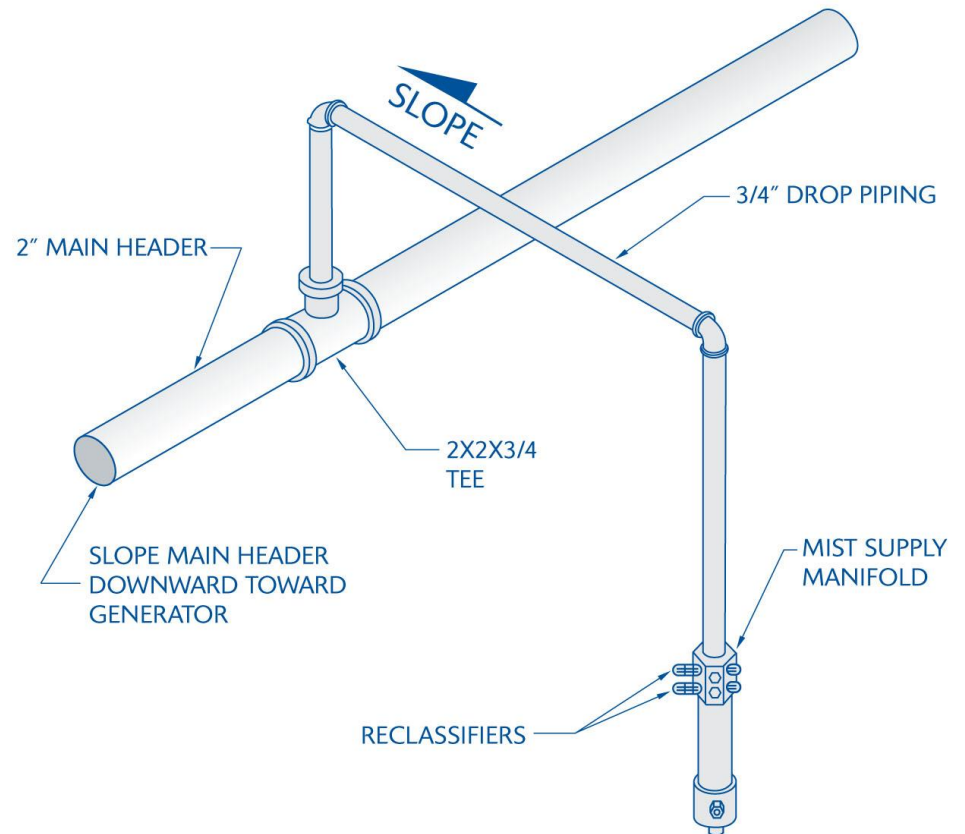
# Distribution System Layout

# How does an Oil Mist system look like?



# Application Drops

Each piece of equipment to be lubricated should be installed with a drop point originating from the upper header and terminating at the mist manifold



# Mist System Designs

## Closed Loop System



## Open Loop System



# Oil Mist Installed

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# Applying Oil Mist

# Applying Oil Mist

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## Purge Mist

- Also called “wet sump”
- Used to protect the bearing housing
- Not primary means of lubrication

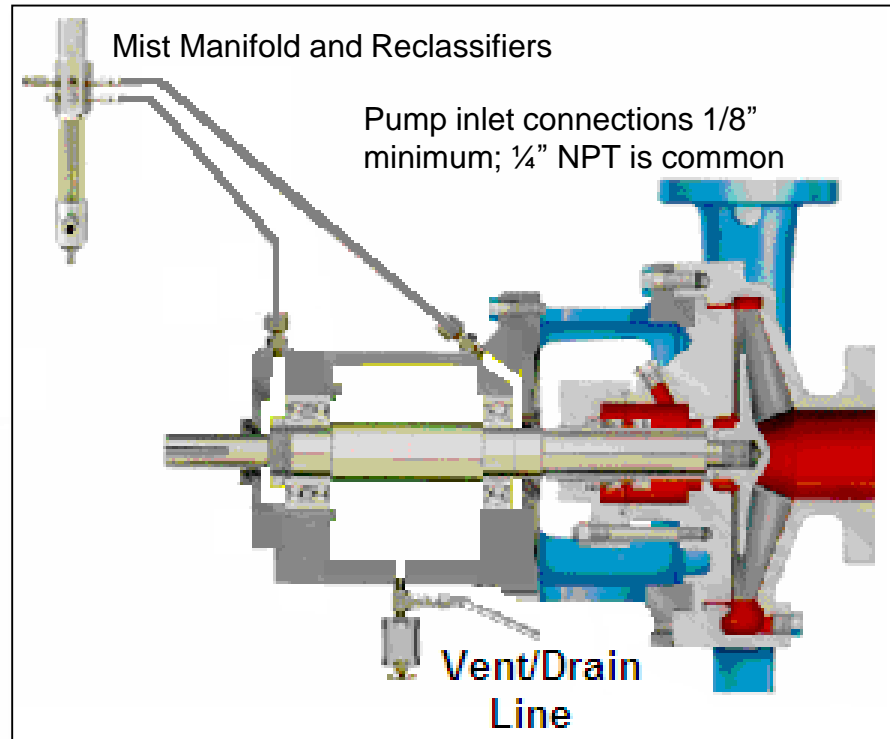
## Pure Mist

- Also called “dry sump”
- Oil mist provides lubrication
- No oil sump for lubrication



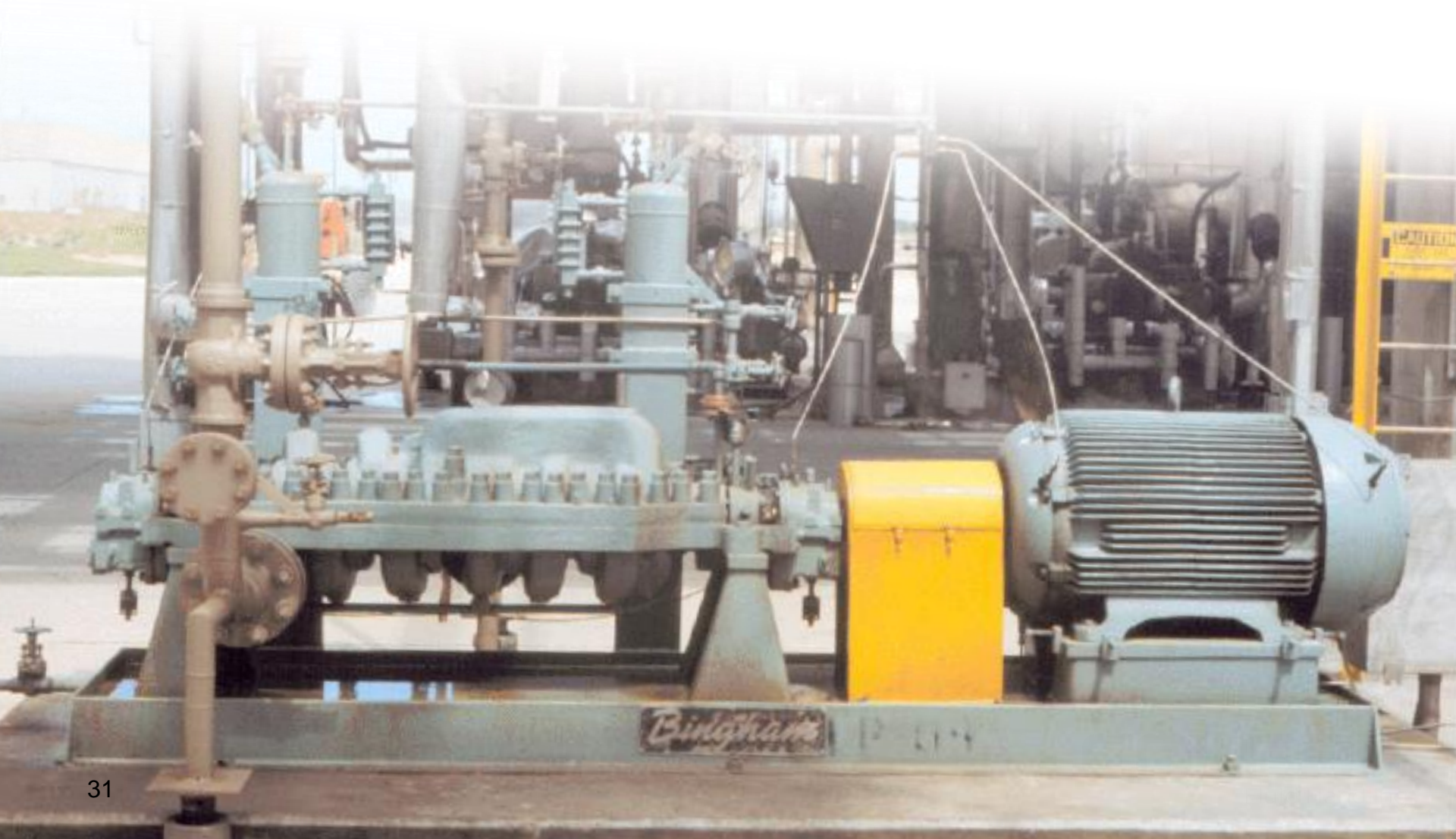
# Pure Oil Mist

Pure mist lubricates operating equipment and protects and preserves standby equipment



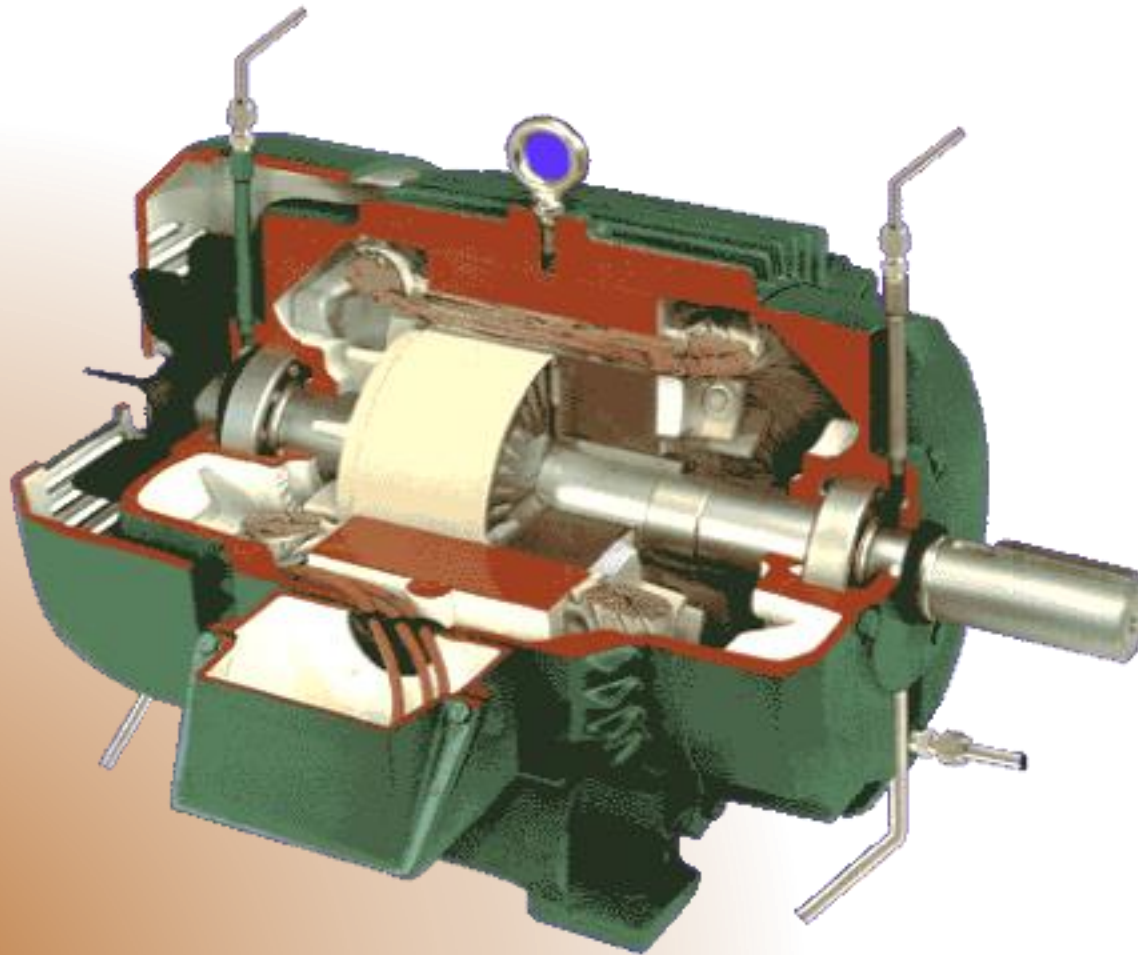
# Between Bearing Pump & Motor Driver

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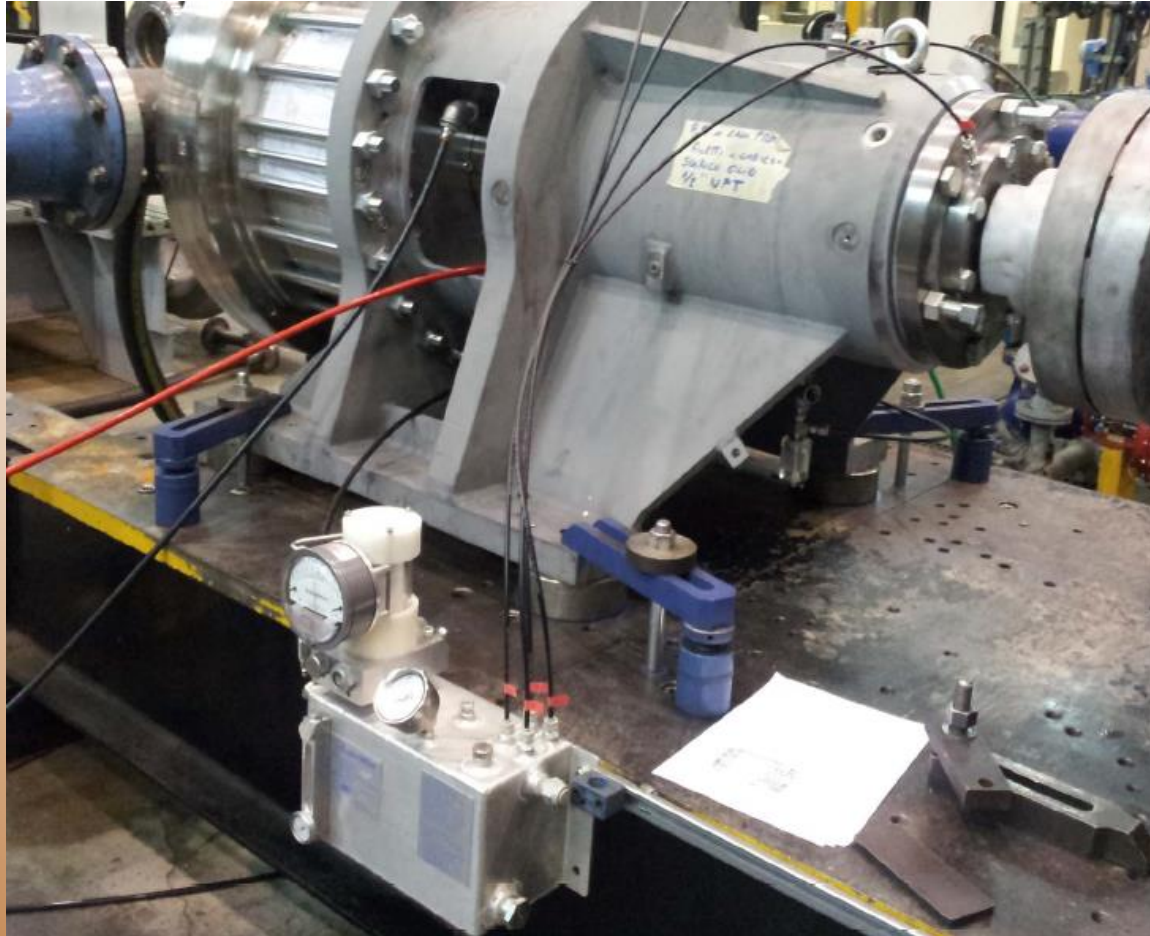


# Motors

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# Liquid Ring Compressors



# Pillow Block Bearings



# OH Pump, Turbine Driver & Gear Box

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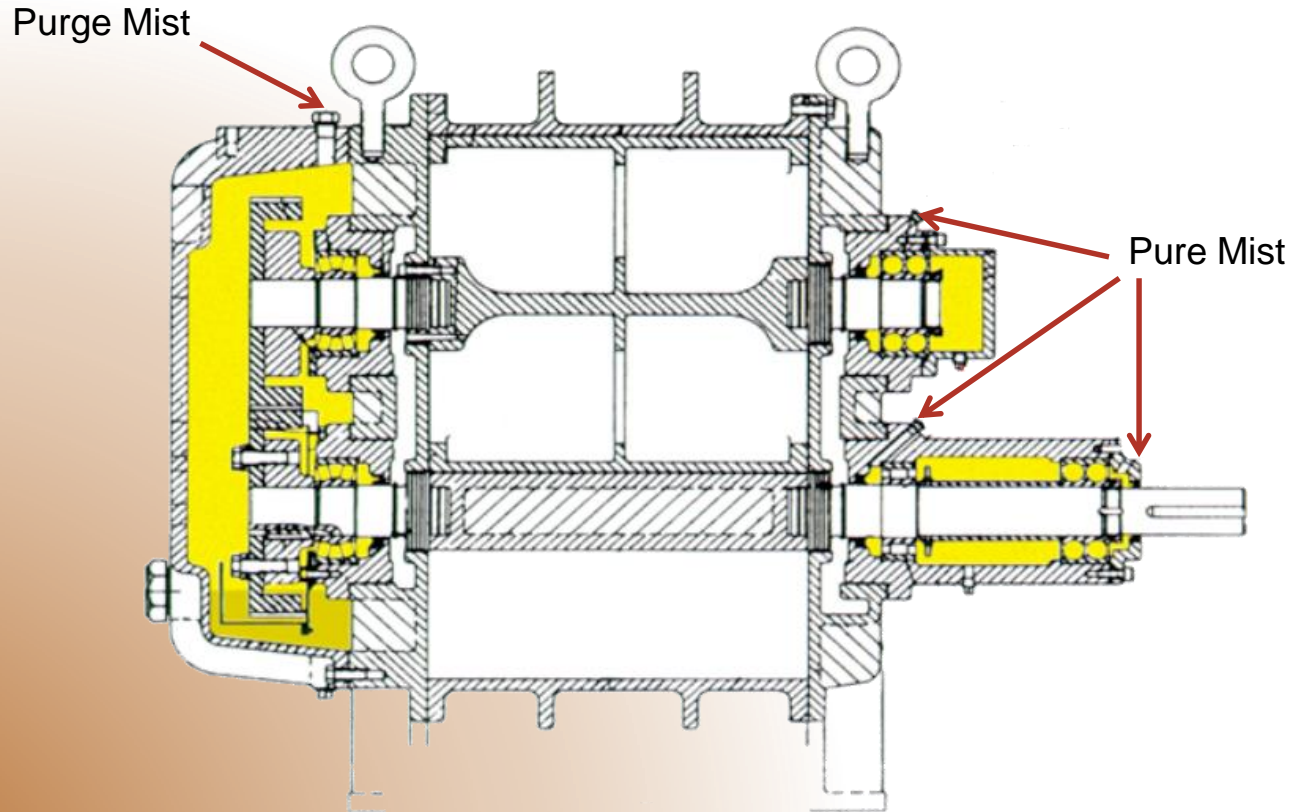
# Rotary Lobe Blowers

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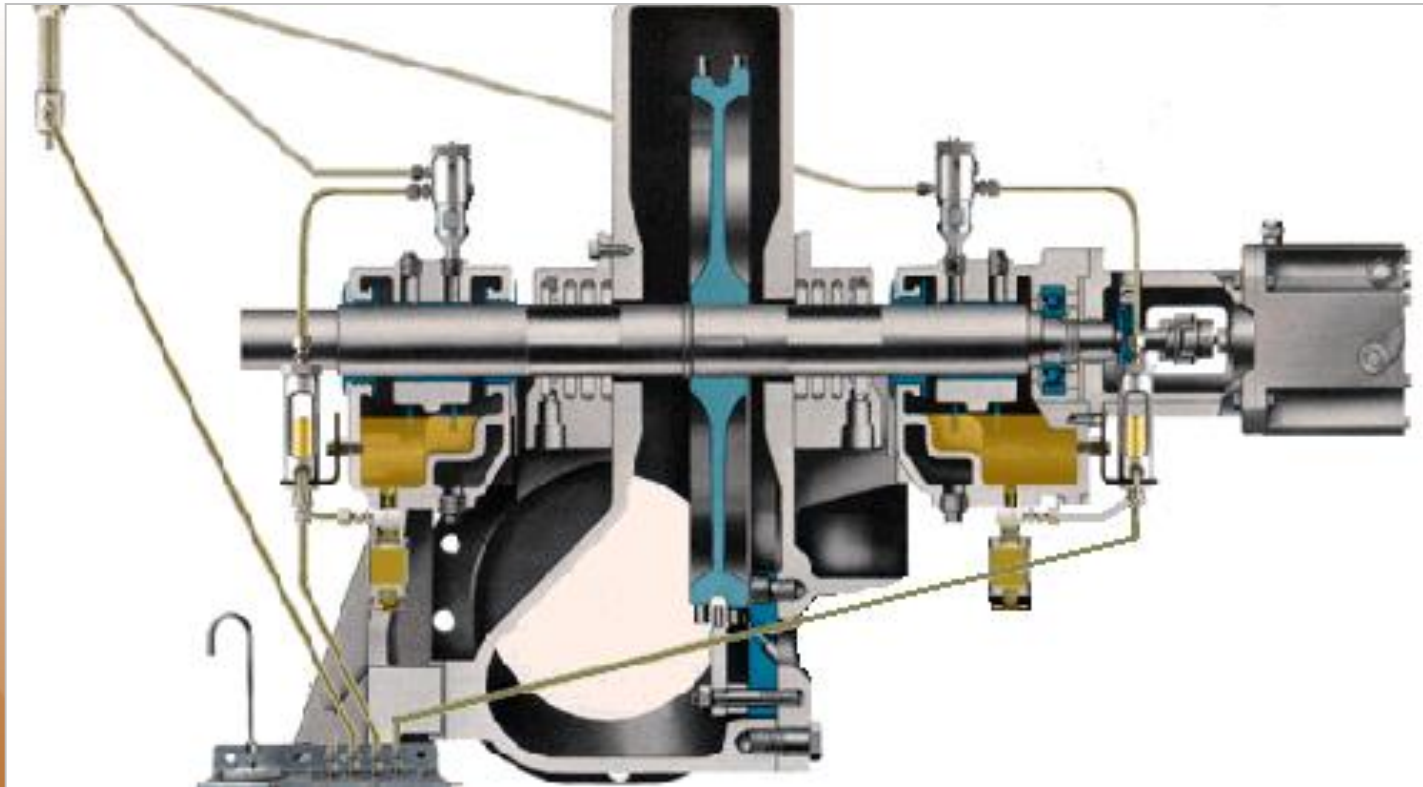
## Purge & Purge Mist Application



# Cooling Tower Gear Box

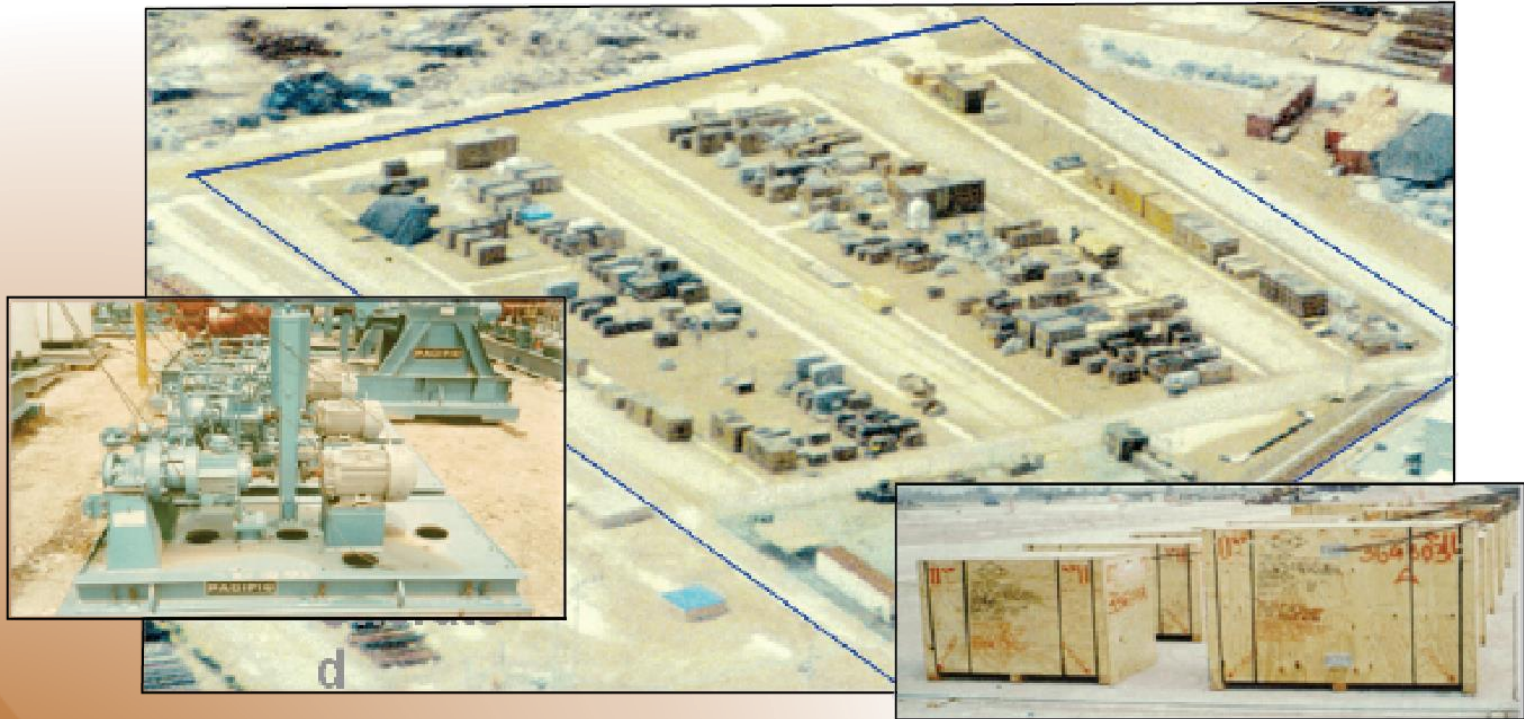


# Steam Turbine



# Machinery Storage

## Machinery Preservation Yard



Aerial View of Oil Mist Preservation Yard in Thailand

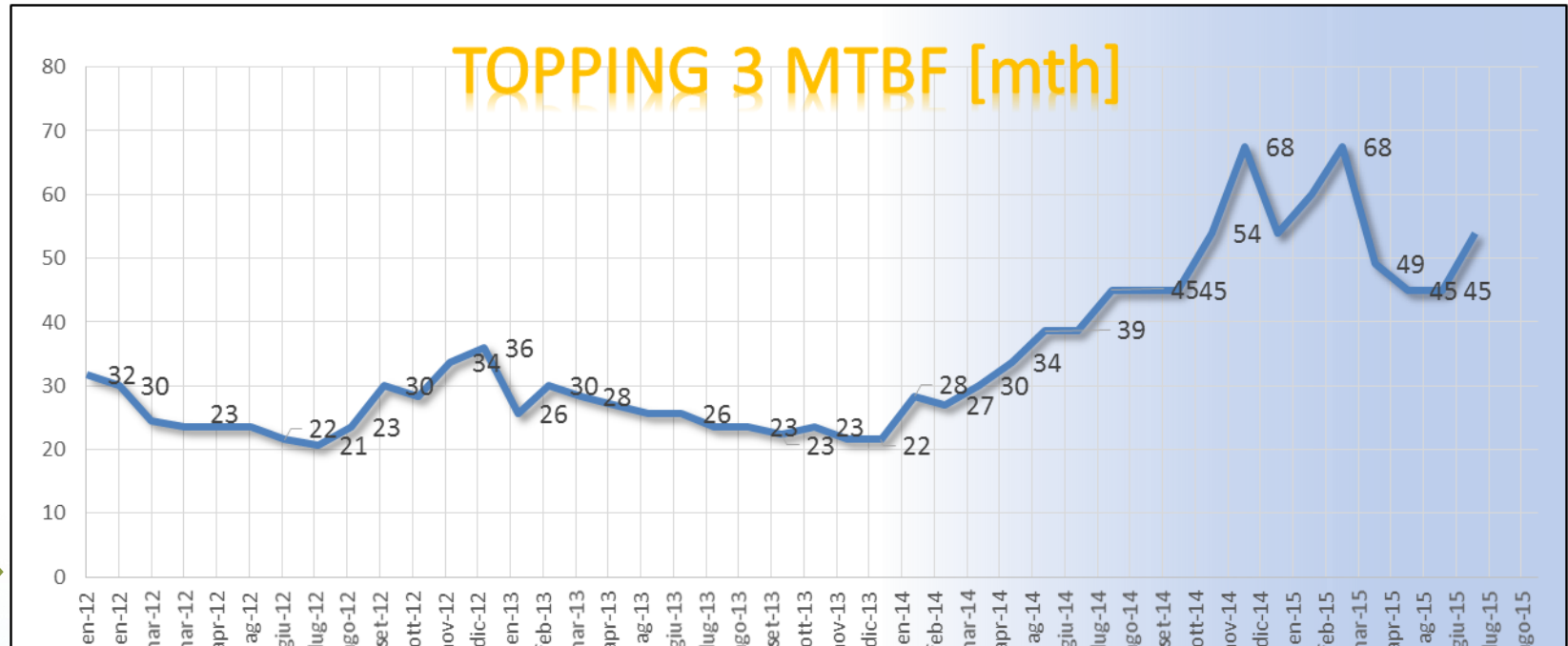
# Long Term Storage

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# Economic Justification

# Data gathering – real case studies



# Data gathering – real case studies

## Maintenance Cost Analysis

UNIT TAG	MAINTENANCE COSTS 2 YEARS BEFORE OIL MIST	MAINTENANCE COSTS 2 YEARS AFTER OIL MIST
611-G-1A	14.868 €	6.936 €
611-G-1B	11.242 €	8.814 €
611-G-1C	463 €	0 €
611-G-2A	10.909 €	0 €
611-G-2B	267 €	0 €
611-G-2C	14.463 €	601 €
611-G-6	7.256 €	0 €
611-G-4A	6.753 €	6.365 €
611-G-4B	1.915 €	310 €
611-G-3A	27.441 €	19.438 €
611-G-3B	24.715 €	321 €
651-G-2A	147 €	257 €
651-G-2B	0 €	5.991 €
651-G-8A	10.124 €	842 €
651-G-8B	234 €	10.097 €
652-G-1A	10.500 €	9.302 €
652-G-1B	15.683 €	1.889 €
652-G-4A	8.136 €	0 €
652-G-4B	0 €	0 €
652-G-5A	0 €	3.689 €
652-G-5B	0 €	0 €
652-G-6A	467 €	6.716 €
652-G-6B	27.884 €	4.796 €
652-G-7A	4.739 €	11.562 €
652-G-7B	7.496 €	6.961 €

Total

205.704 €

104.887 €

4114,0822

2097,737

Savings

100.817 €

49%

# Investment calculator

**LubriMist®**

**COLFAX®** Fluid Handling **SICELUB®** **LUBRITECH®**

Insert Data

Clean Form

**MTBF, Repair Costs Analysis & Benefits**  
**Installation of Lubrimist® Systems.**

Customer \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

Current Situation	
Pumps	
Turbines	
Motors	
Total of Equipments	
MTBF	[Mo]
Annual Failures	
Cost Repair Average	EUR
Annual Repair Total Costs	EUR
Lube Failures	
Oil Lubricats Consumption*	Lt

Situation after Lubrimist System	
Pumps	
Turbines	
Motors	
Reliability Multiplier	
Improvement Percentatge	%
New MTBF	[Mo]
Annual Failures	
Cost Repair Average	EUR
Annual Repair Total Costs	EUR
Lube Failures	
Oil Lubricats Consumption**	Lt
Oil Recovery (65%)	Lt
Real Oil Consumption	Lt

\*Calculated for pumps with 5 lt carter and 4 oil changes in a year.  
\*\*Considering that the shaft diameter average of the equipments is 70mm and have 3 bearings.

Estimated Benefits	
Savings on Repair Costs	EUR/yr
Annual Failures difference	%
Savings in Oil lubricant	Lt/yr EUR/yr EUR/Lt
Savings in Energy (2%)	kW (AVG) EUR/yr EUR/kW
Savings in cooling water	m3/yr EUR/yr EUR/m3
Manpower reduction	h/yr EUR/yr EUR/h
Estimated Total Savings**	EUR/yr

\*these are just considerations and estimates and do not commit in anything the Group companies that make use of this projection tool.

Non Quantifiable Benefits	
Insurance Costs	
Work place safety	
Automation	
Positive Environmental Impact	

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Investment Calculation

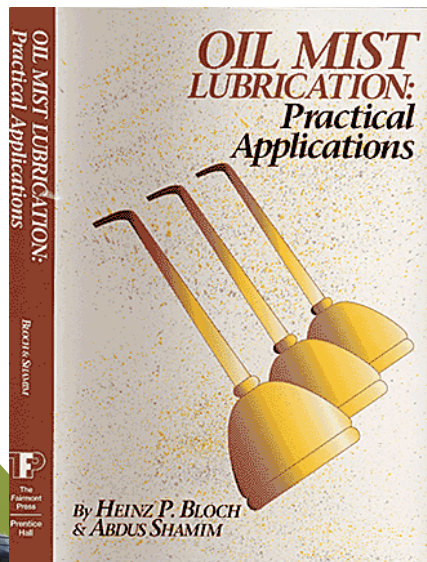
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**Installation of Lubrimist® Systems.**

Investment Estimation

Commonly the number of mist distributors is the number of pumps.

# Reference Information

# References



## Pure Mist is Preferred

The most important characteristics of pure mist is that bearing operating temperatures and friction in rolling element bearings is reduced. Hence a lower operating temperature equates to longer bearing life and lower energy loss equates to savings, page 217.

8° to 10° C cooler, page 218

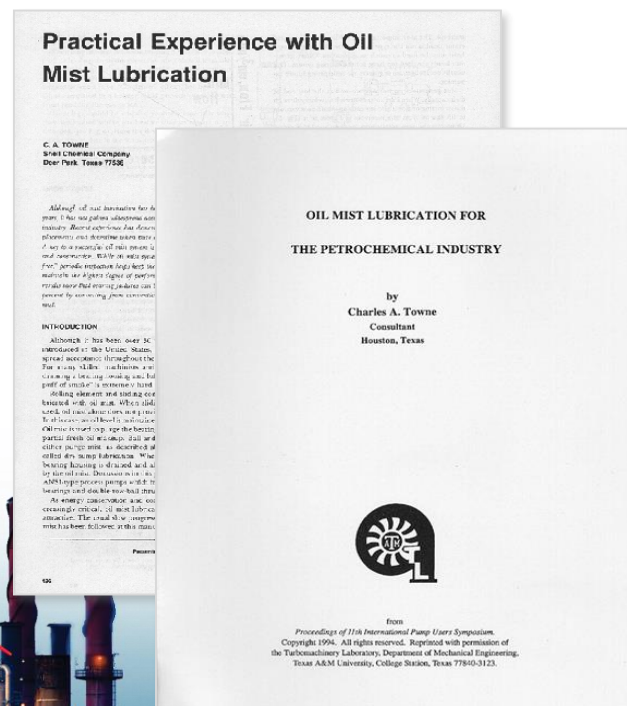
20% to 25% less friction, page 218

# References

## Pure Mist is Preferred

**Reliability:** Documented evidence proves that pumps can run more than eight hours after the oil mist flow has ceased. Improved reliability of Oil Mist Generators supports pure oil mist.

**Back-Up Units:** Usually installed for emergency purposes when pure mist is used on a large scale.



# Questions?

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