



# **KAMIKAZE SAND PROBE**

### Kamikaze Technique & Configuration

The 'Kamikaze' sand erosion probe is designed to monitor erosion in flowlines. Impingement

effects of sand or other abrasive materials on interior surfaces can lead to rapid and severe internal pipe wall metal loss. Pipe bends or reduced diameter sections are most prone to erosion effects.

The sensing element of the probe is a sacrificial tube. The tube is closed at one end and threaded at the other end to mate with multiple use injection/sampling/sand probe nut. The standard tube is 5/8" OD and is available in three thicknesses; .016", .028" and .035". The nut enables the sand probe to be attached to a solid plug installed within a 2" access fitting.

Axess provide a range of custom configurations based on the clients access system and material selection.

#### SAND DETECTION WITH ALARM OPTIONS

DIRECT IN-LINE OR SIDE TEE OPTIONS

NPT, 1" INSERTS AND 2" HP FITTING OPTIONS

EXTENSIVE MATERIAL OPTIONS FOR FITTINGS AND PROBE ELEMENTS

PRESSURE AND TEMPERATURE RATED TO 6000PSI & 260C

### Remote Alarm & Shut-off

Sand or abrasives eventually erode the sacrificial tube exposing the sealed system to operating pressures. The pressure is directed through ports in the sand probe nut to the side tee portion of the access fitting and can be connected through valves to a remote alarm. The location of sand monitoring points is critical to effective integrity management. Experience has shown that the most erosion occurs immediately downstream of every change of flow direction, especially on the outside of a turn. Sand normally returns to the approximate middle of the flow stream about ten to twenty pipe diameters downstream of each turn. Additionally, changes of direction which occur after a long straight run tend to experience more severe erosion rates.

The Kamikaze Valve with Sensor is a three-way block and bleed valve which detects the presence of abrasive material in a flowstream that could cause the piping to be cut out.

The valves shifts position when an abrasive gas or liquid erodes the sand probe sufficiently to allow flowline pressure to act against the sensor's lower stem. The Sand Probe instrument pressure working range is from 0 to 250 psi with 1/4" NPT connections.

The section attached to the flow line has a working pressure range of 100 to 10,000 psi and has a 1/2" 14 NPT mounting connection with a 1/4" female port for connecting the probe. TECHNICAL DATA:

Input from Sand Probe – 100 – 10,000 psi Control Supply – 0 – 250 psi Overall Length – 5-3/4" Diameter – 1-3/4" Material: 303 Series Stainless Steel Seals – Buna-N or Viton Weight – 1.75 lbs.

## Replacement Probe Inserts

The carrier plug and probe can be retrieved under pressure utilizing the Janus<sup>™</sup> Retrieval Tool Kit, allowing for probe changeout whilst under full operating conditions. Probe inserts are available in many materials including 316, Duplex and Inconel as standard. Select the correct thickness based on your maximum acceptable wall loss prior to triggering and alarm. .016", .028", .035"





| Model                   | Pipe Connection | Configuration                        | Material | Plug       | Cover                              |  |  |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|----------|------------|------------------------------------|--|--|
| 2" HP Access<br>Fitting |                 | 1/2" 600# Raised<br>Face Flanged Tee | A105 CS  | Solid Plug | 2-Hole Pressure<br>Retaining Cover |  |  |

#### Sand Probe Nut: SAND10.00-Q

| Model             | Length | Size |  |  |
|-------------------|--------|------|--|--|
| Sand Probe<br>Nut | 10.00" | 1/4" |  |  |

#### Sand Probe Nut: KSP-Q-A3-35-5.50

| Model                  | Size     | Material | Element Thickness | Length |  |  |  |
|------------------------|----------|----------|-------------------|--------|--|--|--|
| Kamikaze Sand<br>Probe | 1/4" NPT | 316L SS  | 35mil             | 5.50"  |  |  |  |





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