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## #1 Wax-Tape Application Procedures for UNDERGROUND PIPE

**Step 1.** Wire brush and wipe the surface so that it is free from loose rust, scale and other foreign matter. Surface should be wiped as dry as possible.

Step 2. Apply Wax-Tape Primer to the surface by brush or by hand. Only a thin film of primer is required.

Where moisture is present, rub and press primer onto the surface, displacing moisture and insuring that the primer is adhering to the metal surface.

**Step 3.** Apply #1 Wax-Tape, allowing for at least a 1" overlap. The Wax-Tape should overlap 3-6" over any existing coated or painted surface. While wrapping, apply slight tension and press the Wax-Tape into place making sure that there are no air pockets and that it is in intimate contact with the pipe. Also, press and smooth out the lap seams to insure that the laps are sealed.

When applying *Wax-Tape* to irregular surfaces, allow slack so that it can be molded into conformity with the surface. This will prevent voids and insure intimate contact of the *Wax-Tape* to the surface.

Where additional mechanical protection is required, due to severe backfill soil, over-wrap #1 Wax-Tape with either Poly-Ply, Guard-Wrap or Glas-Wrap wrappers.

**Step 4.** Backfill immediately after application of #1 Wax-Tape. No drying or curing time is required.

## #2 Wax-Tape Application Procedures for ABOVE GROUND PIPE

**Step 1.** Wire brush and wipe the surface so that it is free from loose rust, scale and other foreign matter. Surface should be wiped as dry as possible.

**Step 2.** Apply *Wax-Tape Primer* to the surface by brush or by hand. Only a thin film of primer is required.

Where moisture is present, rub and press primer onto the surface, displacing moisture and insuring that the primer is adhering to the metal surface.

**Step 3.** Apply #2 Wax-Tape, allowing for at least a 1" overlap. The Wax-Tape should overlap 3-6" over any existing coated or painted surface. While wrapping the tape, apply slight tension and press the tape into place making sure that there are no air pockets under the tape and that the tape is in intimate contact with the pipe. Also, press and smooth out the lap seams to insure that the laps are sealed.

When applying tape to irregular surfaces, allow slack in the tape so that it can be molded into conformity with the surface. This will prevent voids under the tape and insures intimate contact of the tape to the surface.

**Step 4.** If required, #2 Wax-Tape can be painted. Allow 2-14 days (depending on atmospheric conditions) for the Wax-Tape to firm up before painting. An acrylic latex paint is recommended.