



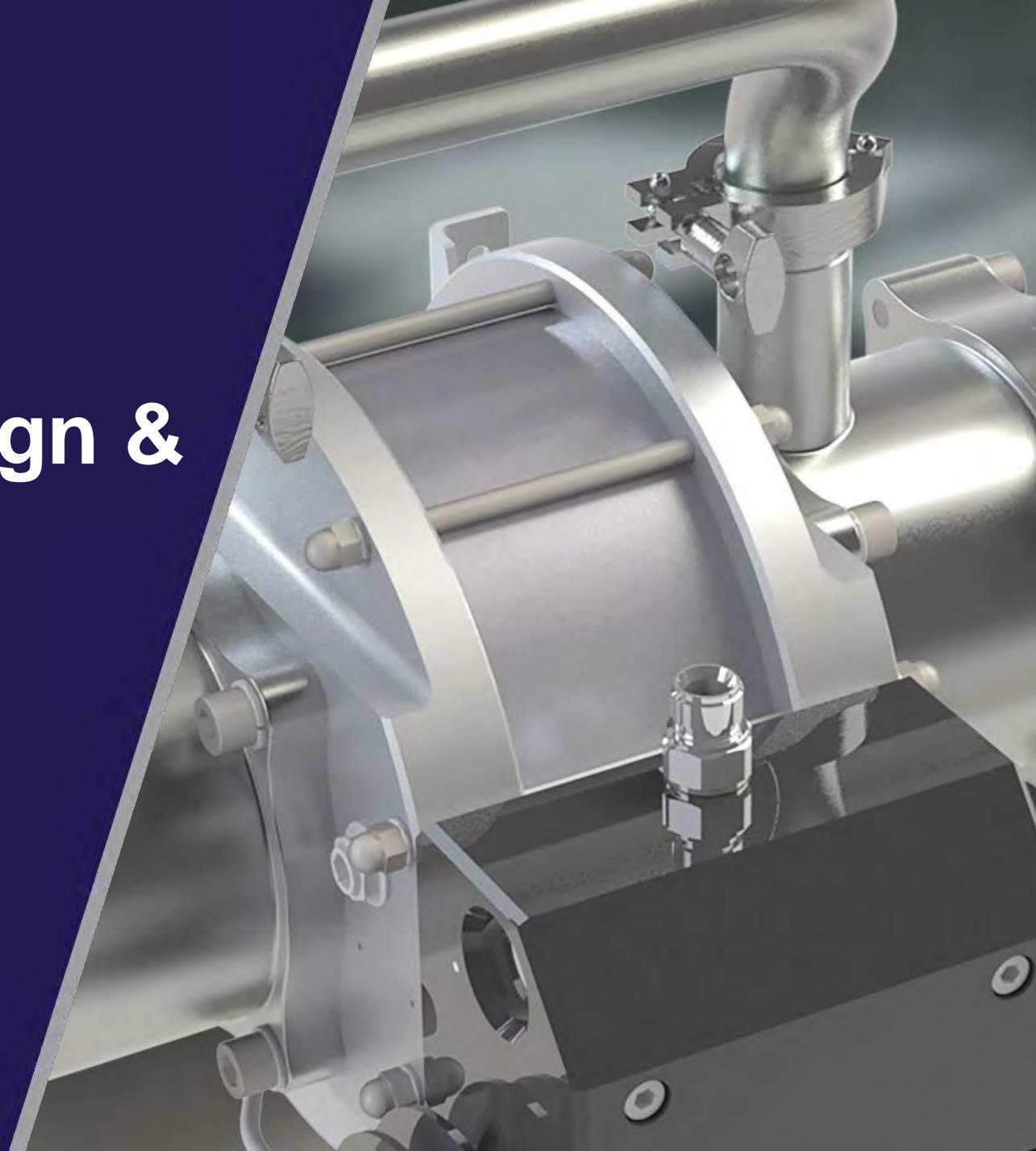
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# Paint Circulation Design & Equipment

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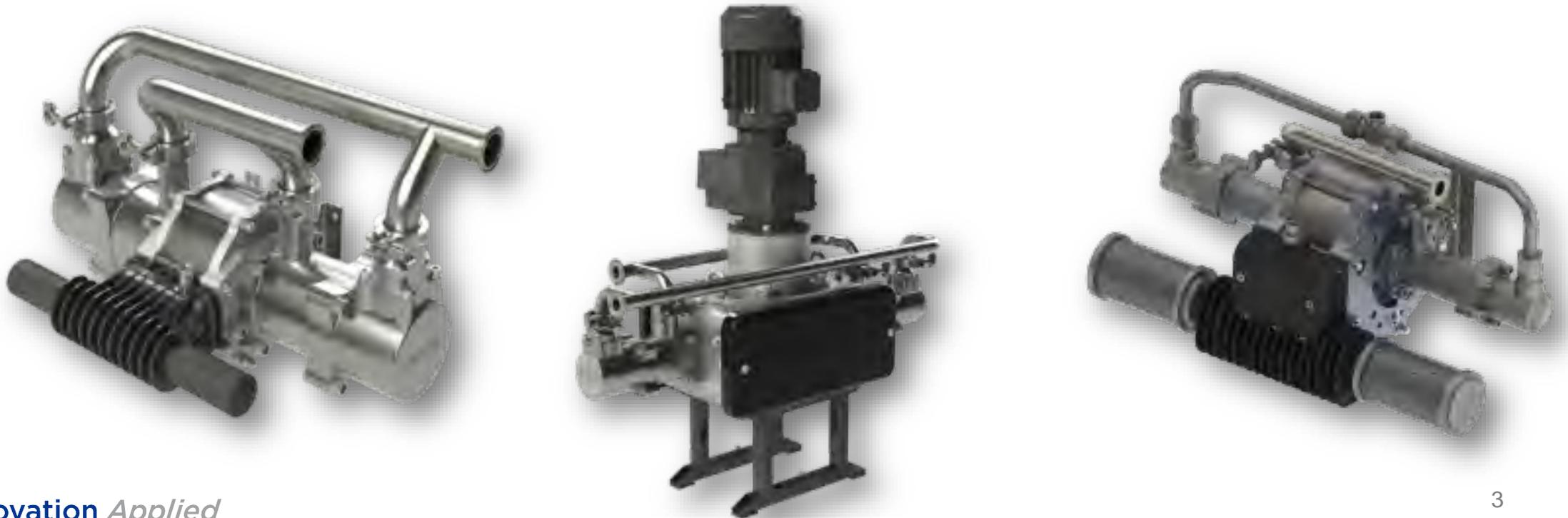
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# Paint Circulation

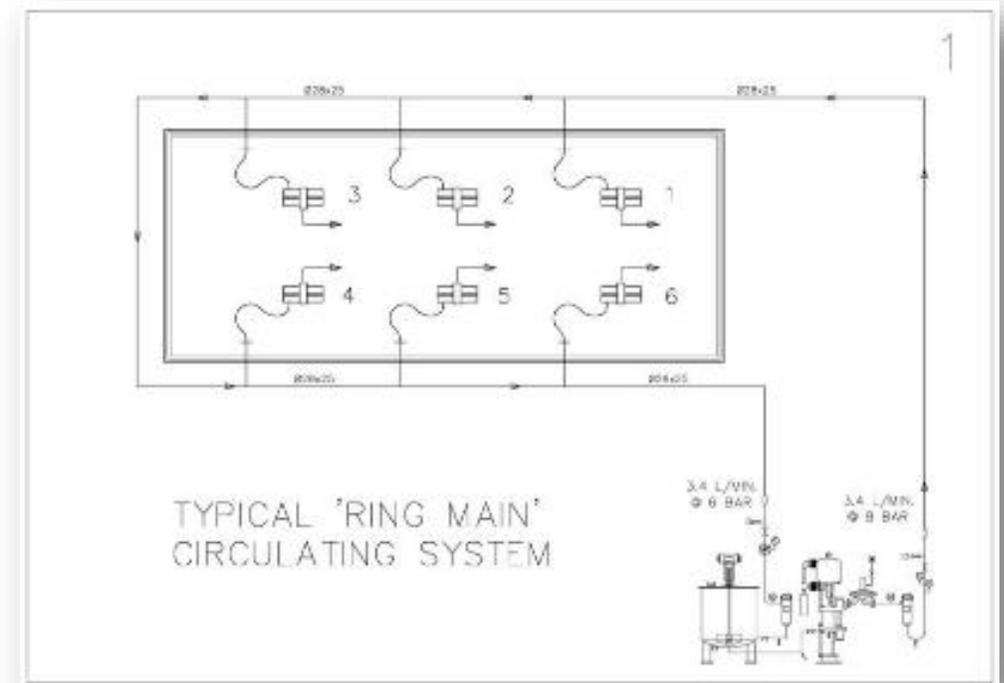
## Goal:

Provide attendees with ability to differentiate themselves from competitors!



# Paint Circulating System - Purpose/Function

- **MOVE** liquid material from point A to B
- Supply consistent **PRESSURE** at point B (when material is in demand)
- Supply consistent **FLOW** at point B (when material is in demand)
- Maintain **MATERIAL INTEGRITY** 24/7/365



# Move

**Circulation systems provide a more efficient method of moving material as opposed to manual transportation**

**“ IF ” :**

- Numerous colors are required
- Numerous application points exist
- Volume of material usage is high



# Pressure



**Pressure Drop:** As material flows through piping there is a pressure loss caused by friction.

- We can provide value by calculating pressure drop and line sizes for customer.
- Yes we can charge for this!
- Be careful as this increase's liability and responsibility.
- Differentiator?



# Pressure Drop

## Pressure Drop Formula: **Delta P Formula**

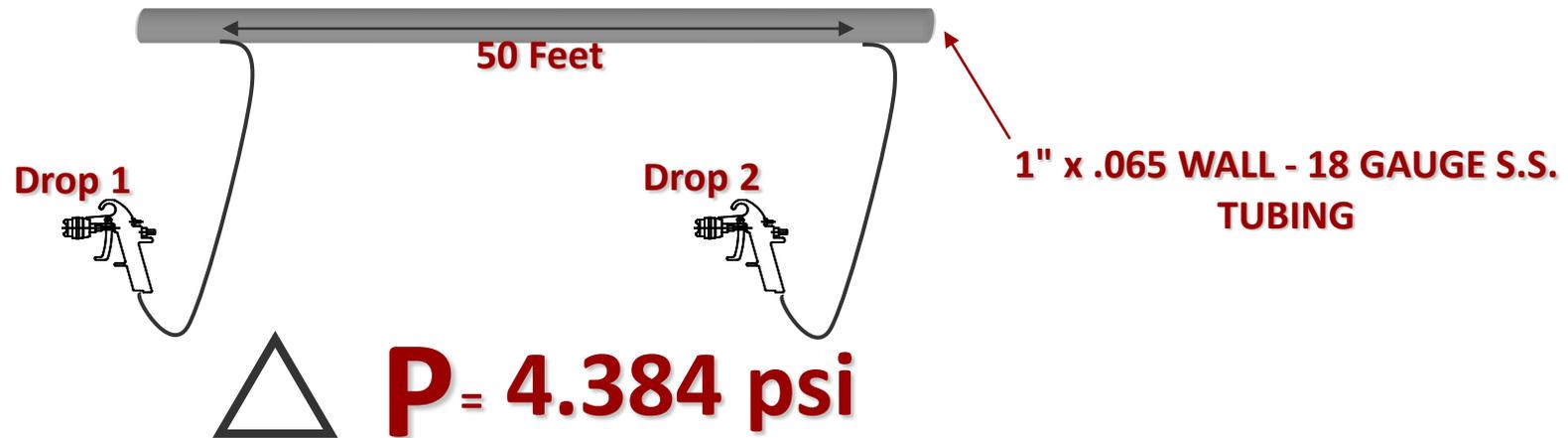
- $\Delta P = \frac{0.0273 QVL}{ID^4}$ 
  - Q Flow Rate GPM
  - V Viscosity in Poise
    - L Length of Pipe
  - ID Internal Diameter of Pipe
- 0.0273 is a constant based on the mass flow characteristics for typical pipe / hose used for installation

# Delta P Formula

Substitute numbers into formula

**FORMULA ~**  $\Delta P = .0273 \frac{Q V L}{ID^4}$

**FORMULA ~**  $\Delta P = .0273 \frac{1.84 * 1 * 50}{.87^4}$



# Delta P Formula



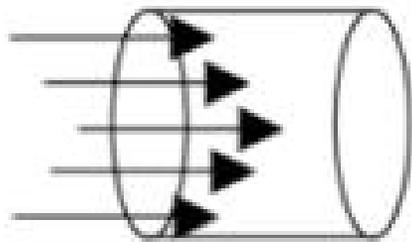
## Pressure Line Drop Calculations

Flow Rate (GPM)	Viscosity (poise)	Pipe/Hose Length (feet)	Pipe/Hose ID (inches)	Pressure Drop
1.84	1	50	0.87	4.4
1.84	1	<b>100</b>	0.87	<b>8.8</b>
1.84	1	100	<b>0.62</b>	<b>34.0</b>
<b>1.1</b>	1	100	<b>0.62</b>	<b>20.3</b>

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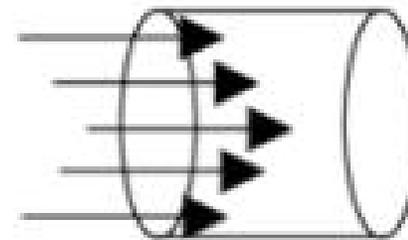
# Material Integrity

This is the #1 concern for paint circulating system design. Issues include:



$R < 2300$   
laminar rate

- Material velocity
  - Settling
  - Shear



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laminar rate

# Material Integrity

Material must maintain a certain velocity through all piping and drop hoses (think agitator).

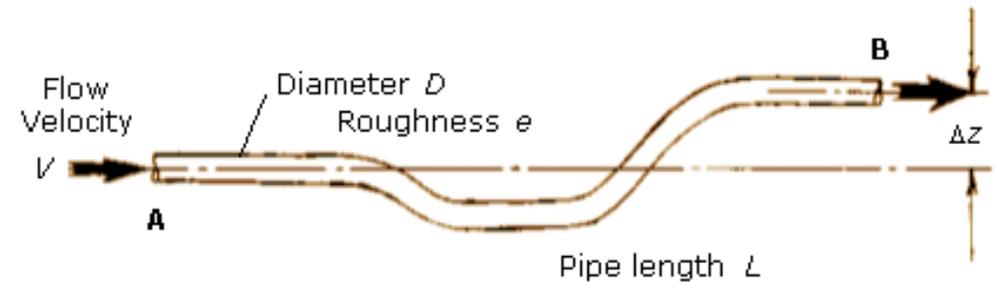
“Velocity” is measured via ft/sec of material flow through piping.

**General rule is WB material must maintain 0.5'/sec and SB 1'/sec.**

**Most users do not know their required velocity!**

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# Material Integrity: Shear

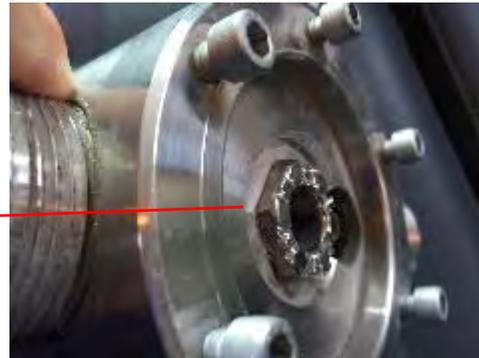
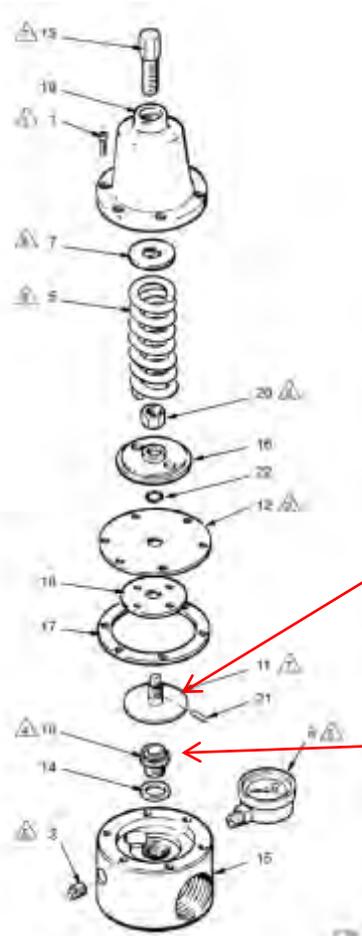


## Circulation Points That Attribute to Shear?

- Style of Pump.
  - Positive Displacement Pumps good
  - Plunger Pump medium
  - Rotary & Turbine Pumps bad
- BPR (Back Pressure Regulator)

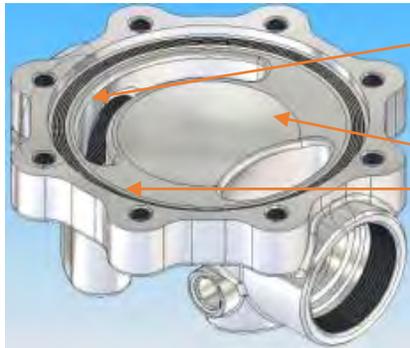
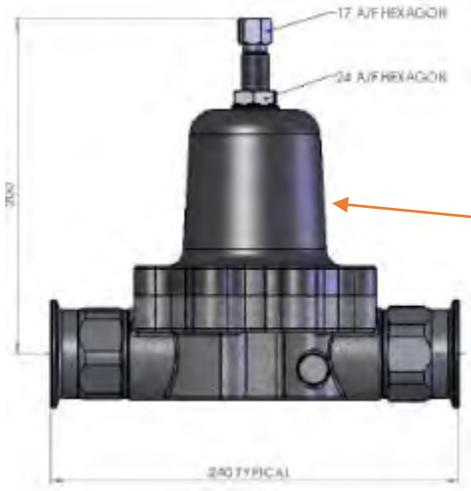
# Valve/Seat Style vs. Low Shear BPR

High Shear Valve  
Seat Style BPR



- Standard high shear valve/seat style BPRs have a small area where material flow is impinged.
- This small area increases material velocity thus increasing shear force.
- Wear on set area also reduces overall efficiency.

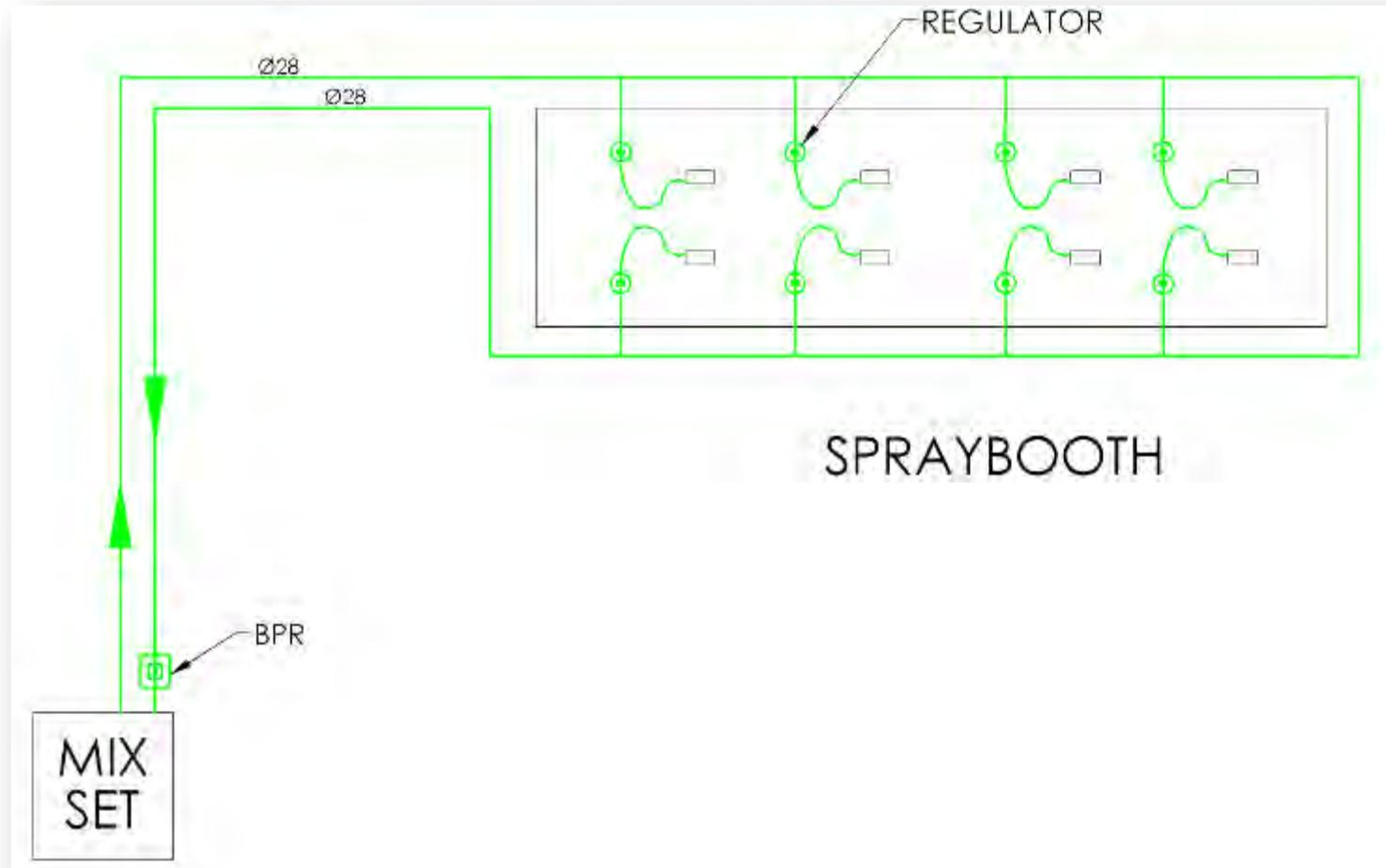
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- Diaphragm style BPRs have a large fluid area at the point of material impingement.
- By increasing fluid exit cavity dimension, a lower fluid velocity is also achieved.
- This larger area reduces material velocity thus lowering shear force.

# Types of Paint Circulations Systems

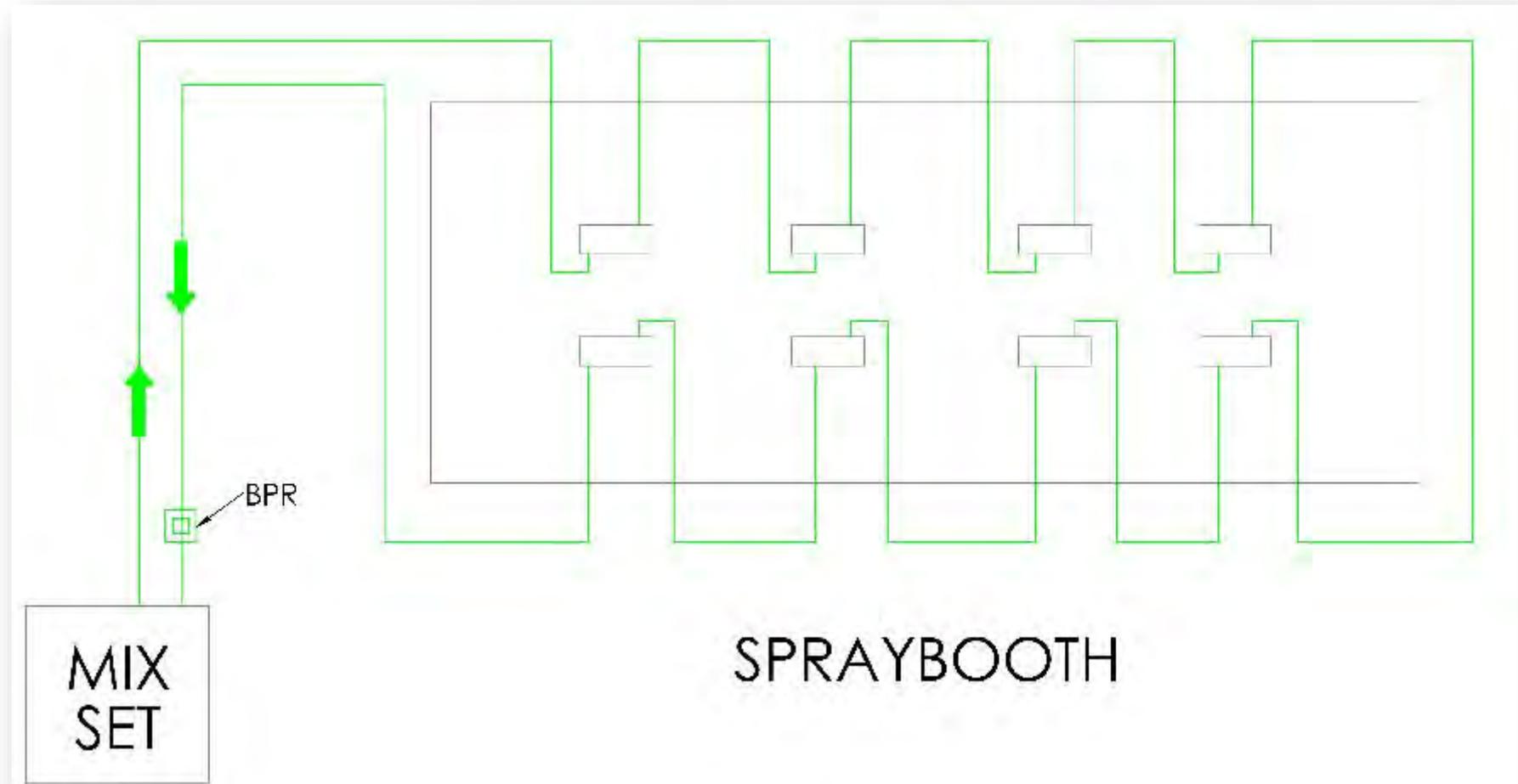
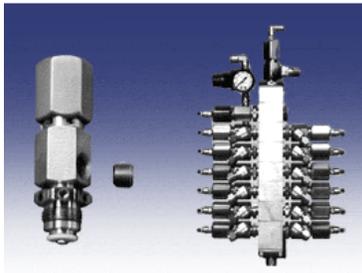
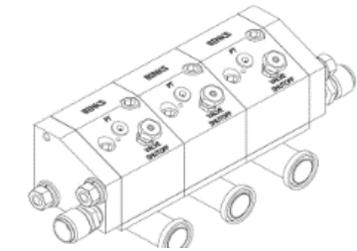
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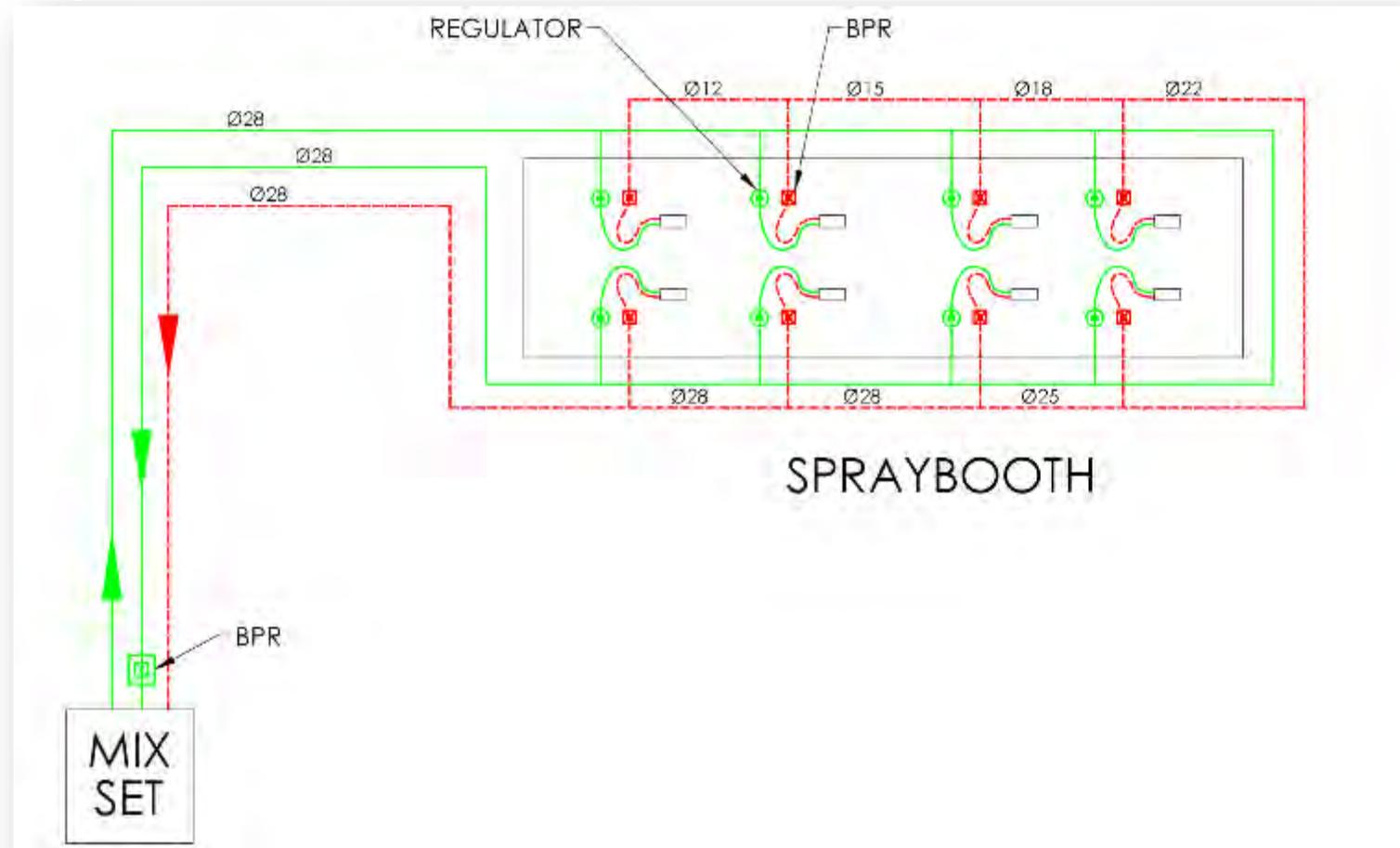


## Typical “1-Pipe” Daisy Chained CCV



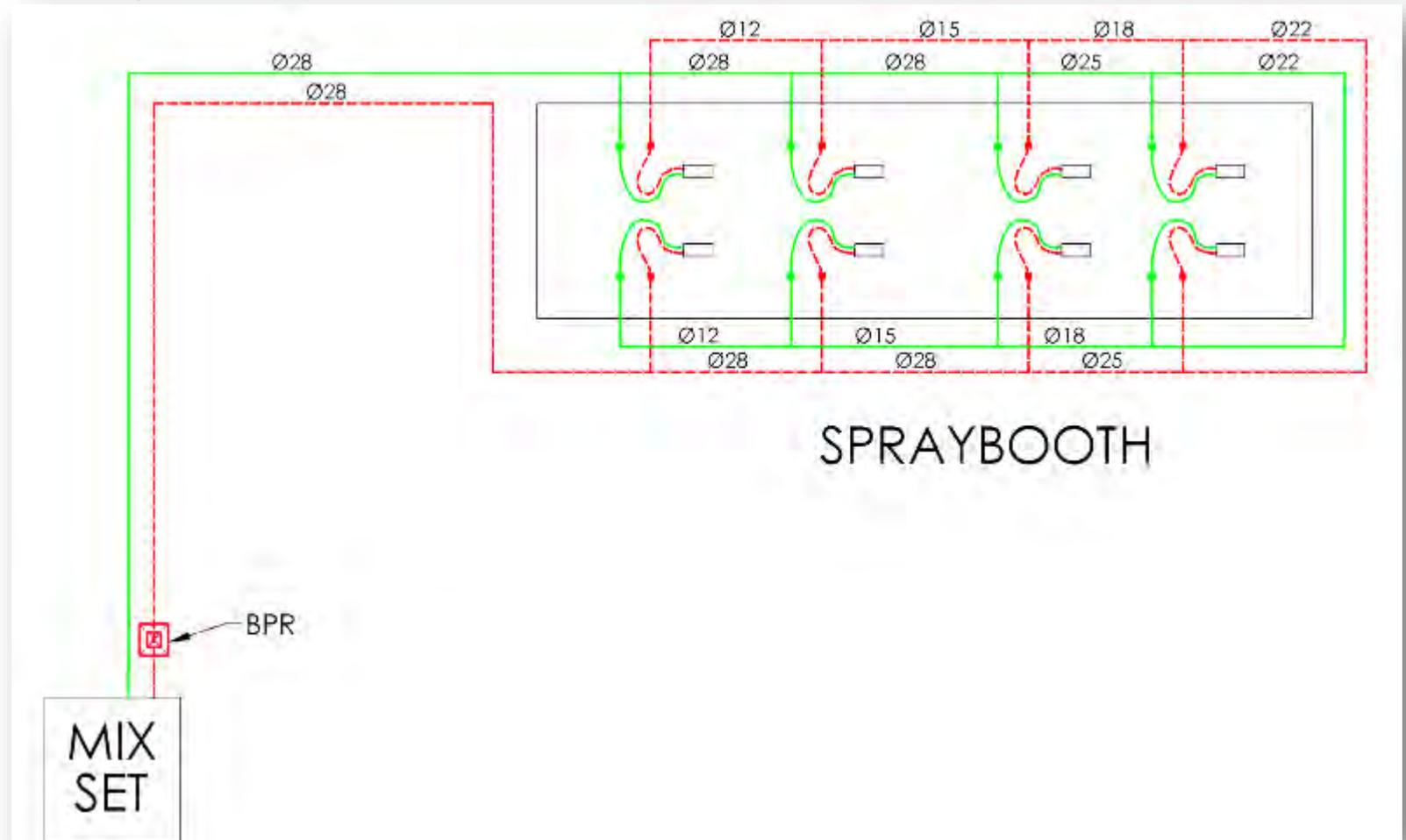
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## Typical “3-Pipe” System



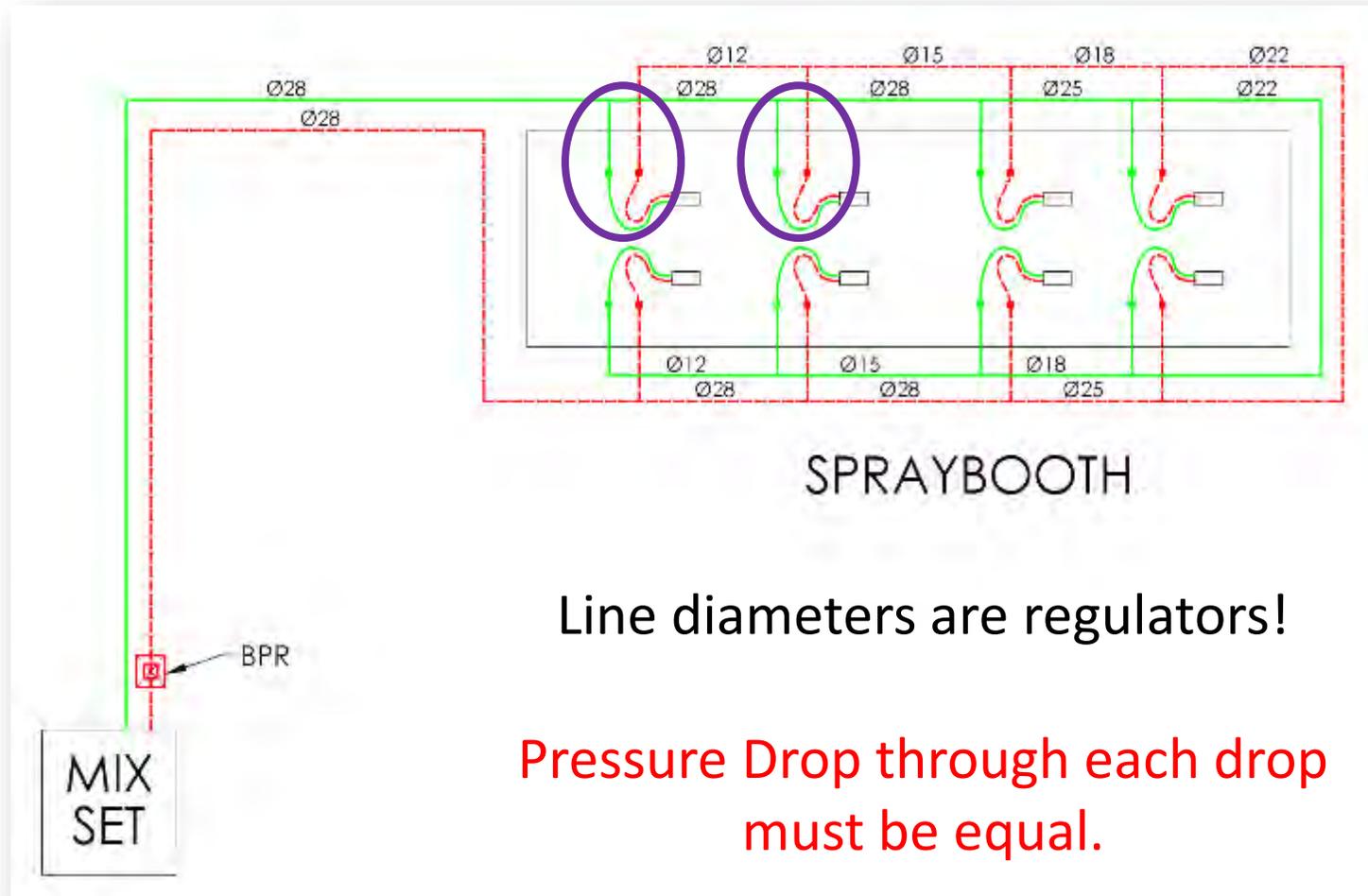
# Types of Paint Circulations Systems

## Typical “2-Pipe” System



# Types of Paint Circulations Systems

## 2-Pipe System: **How does it work?**



# Circ System Design Review



## What Do We Need To Know?

- Viscosity
- Booth and Paint Kitchen Location (dimensions)
- Required Material Velocity
- Special Material Concerns (i.e. shear sensitive)
- Max Required Flow at Applicators
- Pressure Required at Drop

**Answer These Questions and We Are Good To Go!**

## Electric Positive Displacement Piston Pumps



**E2-7 / E2-15**



**E2-30 / E2-40**

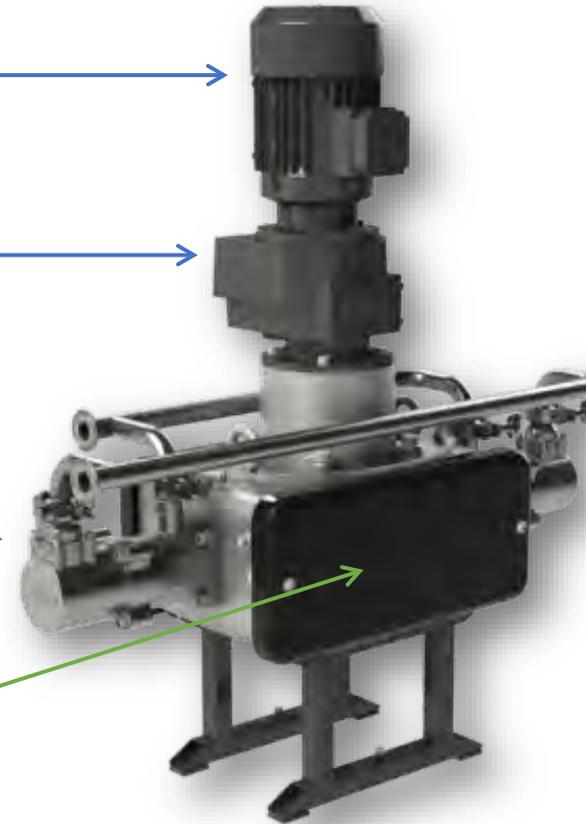


**E2-60 / E4-60 / E4-100**

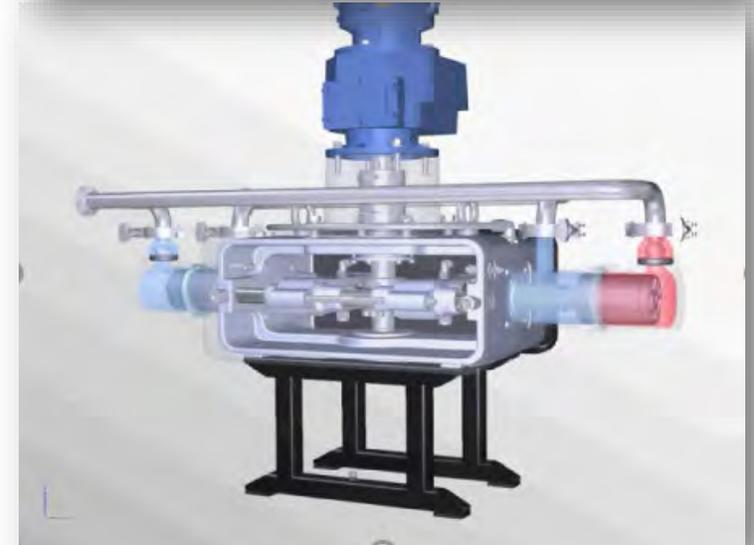
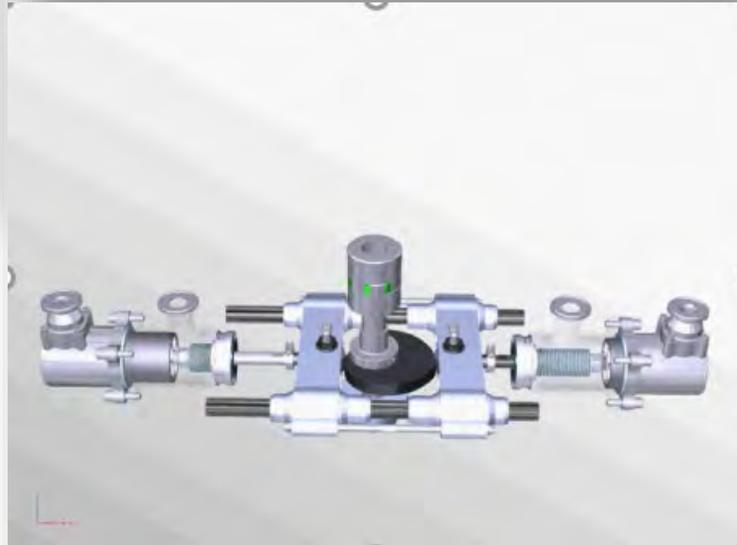
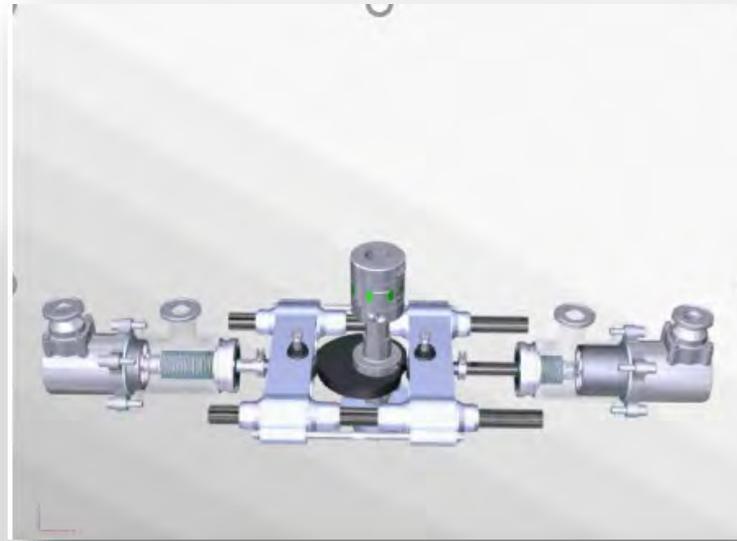
# Smart Pump

Consists of:

- Ex-Proof Motor
- Standard Gearbox
- Positive Displacement Fluid Sections
- CV “constant velocity” cam drive area



# Smart Pump



Innovation *Applied*

# Smart Pump CV Cam Drive



# IntelliControls: Smart Pump Process



- Smart Pump can operate in open or closed loop process.
- Open loop is Flow Control.
- Closed loop is pressure control.
- Smart Pump controls can switch between open and closed loop controls in real time thus can adapt to applicator requirements as production flow demands change.
- During nonproduction times Smart Pump can switch to **automated sleep mode** thus lowering energy, material wear, pump and system component wear.
- Ability to control flow rate via Hz input to motor provides more process control.
- Any brand VFD or PLC can be used to control Smart Pump. No black box technology or special motor requirements.

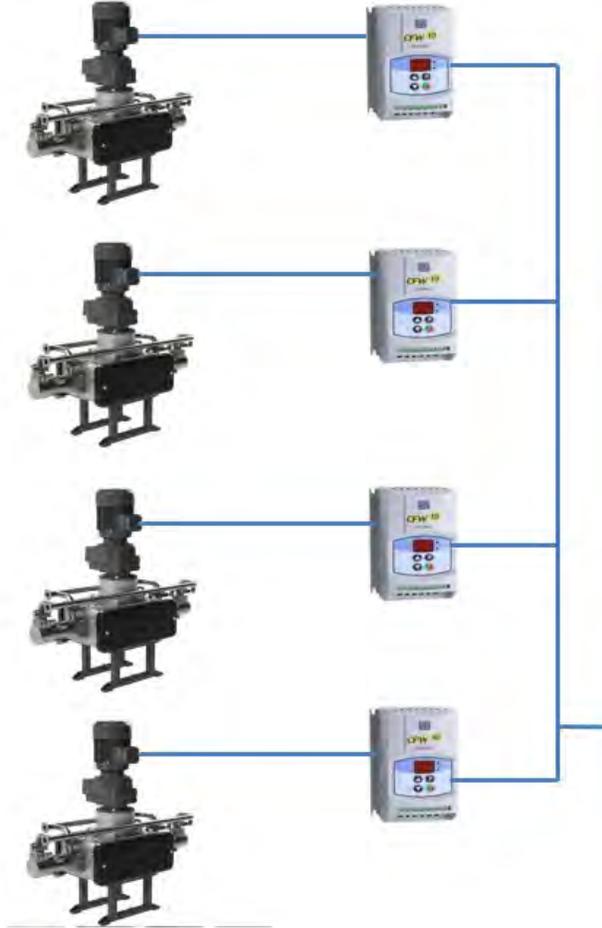


Motor Speed Fluid Output Table			
Motor Speed HZ	Pump Speed Cycles/min	Fluid Flow Rate Litres/min	Fluid Flow Rate US Gall/min
20	10.0	15.00	4
25	12.5	18.75	5
30	15.0	22.50	5
35	17.5	26.25	7
40	20.0	30.00	8
45	22.5	33.75	9
50	25.0	37.50	10
55	27.5	41.25	11
60	30.0	45.00	12
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75	37.5	56.25	15
80	40.0	60.00	16

# IntelliControls: Smart Pump Process

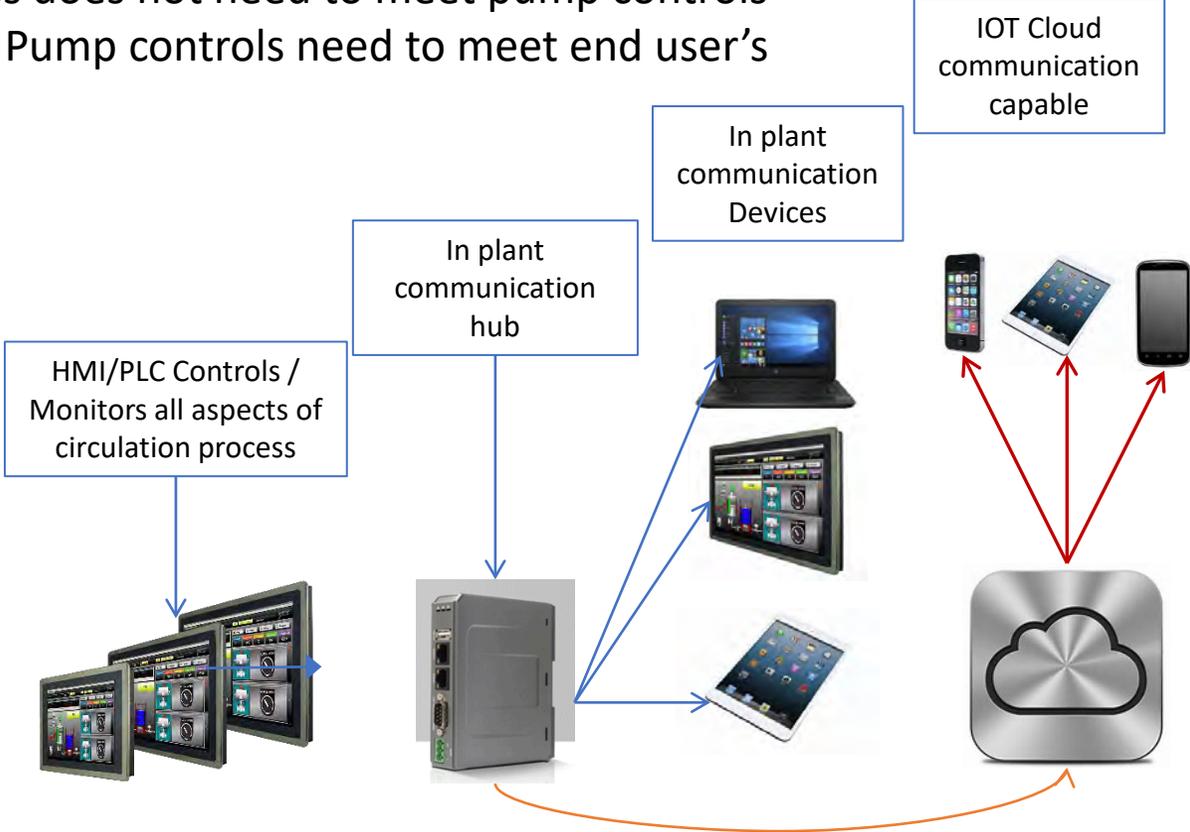


Smart Pump / VFD

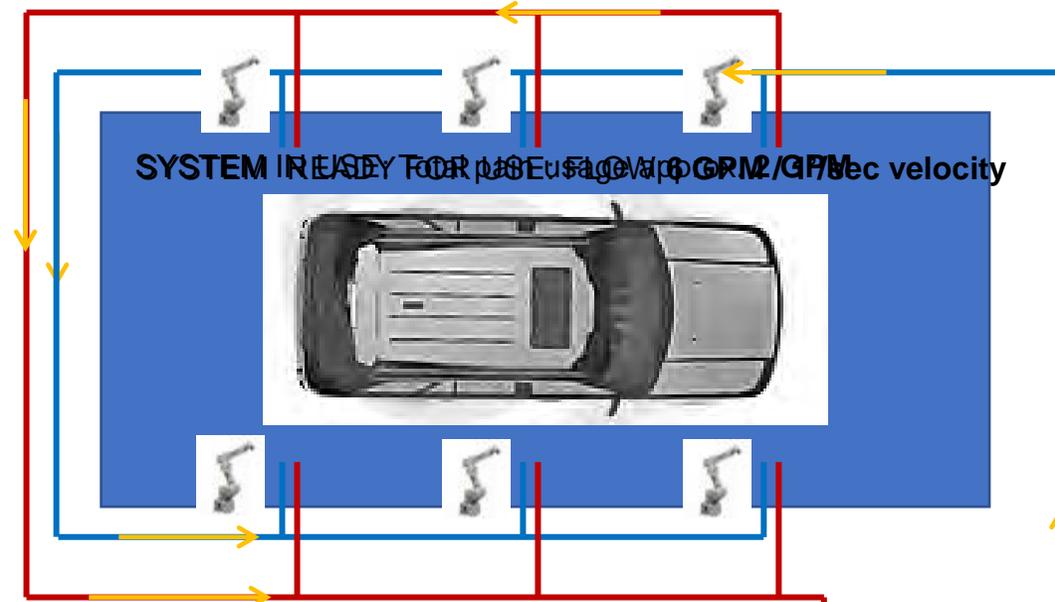


Users needs are all slightly different. Smart Pump control options allow for customization to user's process.

Their process does not need to meet pump controls capabilities. Pump controls need to meet end user's process!



# IntelliControls: Smart Pump Process



## “Smart Circ” Process

Return line OPEN LOOP:  
System not in use  
Flow 6 GPM (1'/sec) @ 0 PSI

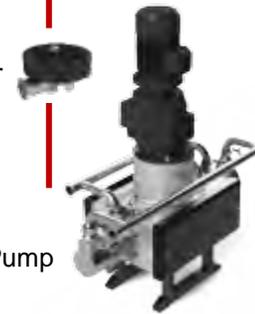
Pump OPEN LOOP:  
System not in use  
Flow 6 GPM (1'/sec) @ 90 PSI

Return line CLOSED LOOP:  
System ready for use (spray)  
Flow 4 GPM @ 100 PSI

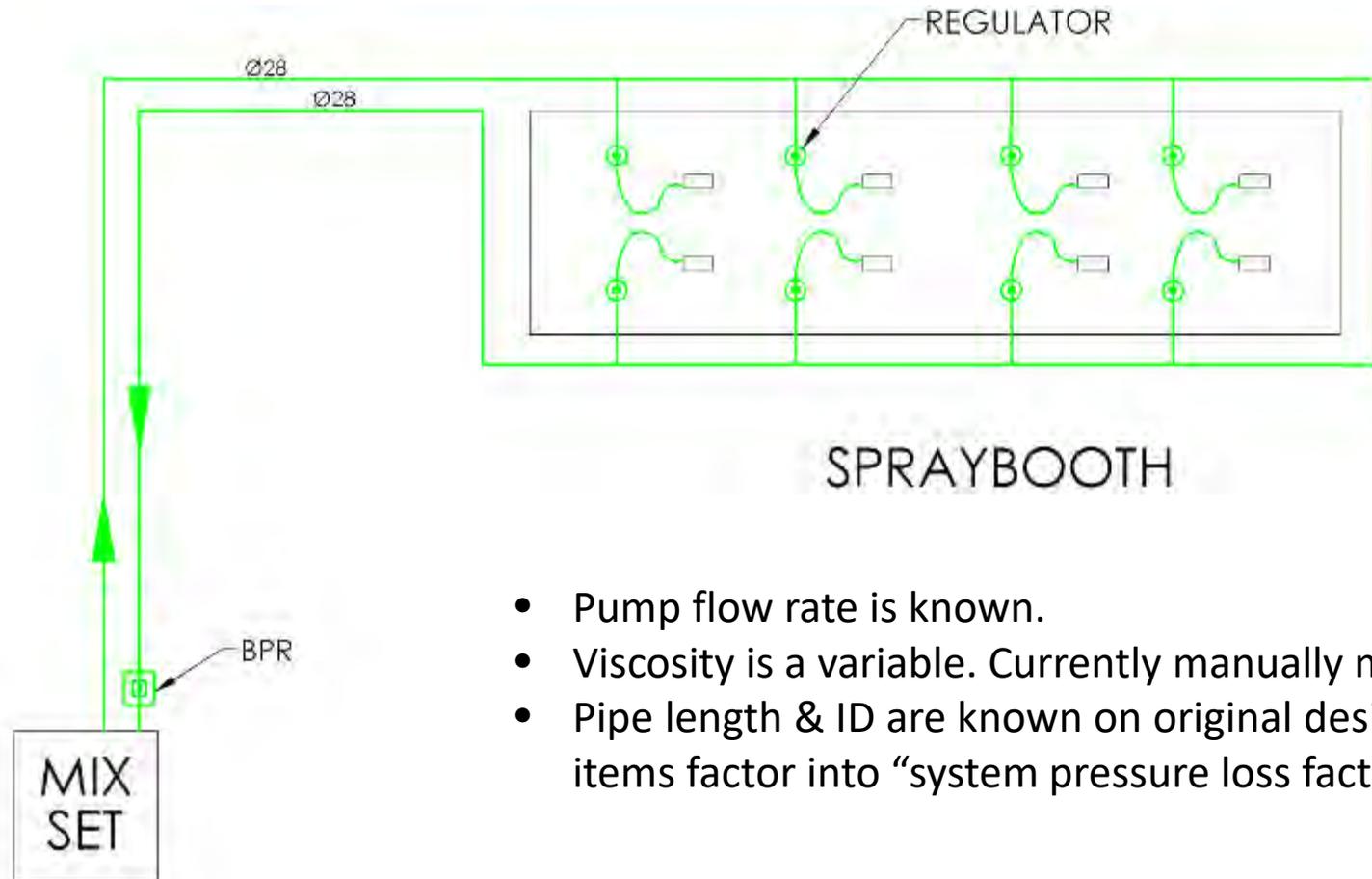
Pump CLOSED LOOP:  
System READY for use (spray)  
Flow 6 GPM @ 190 PSI

Air piloted back pressure regulator

E2-30 SMART Pump



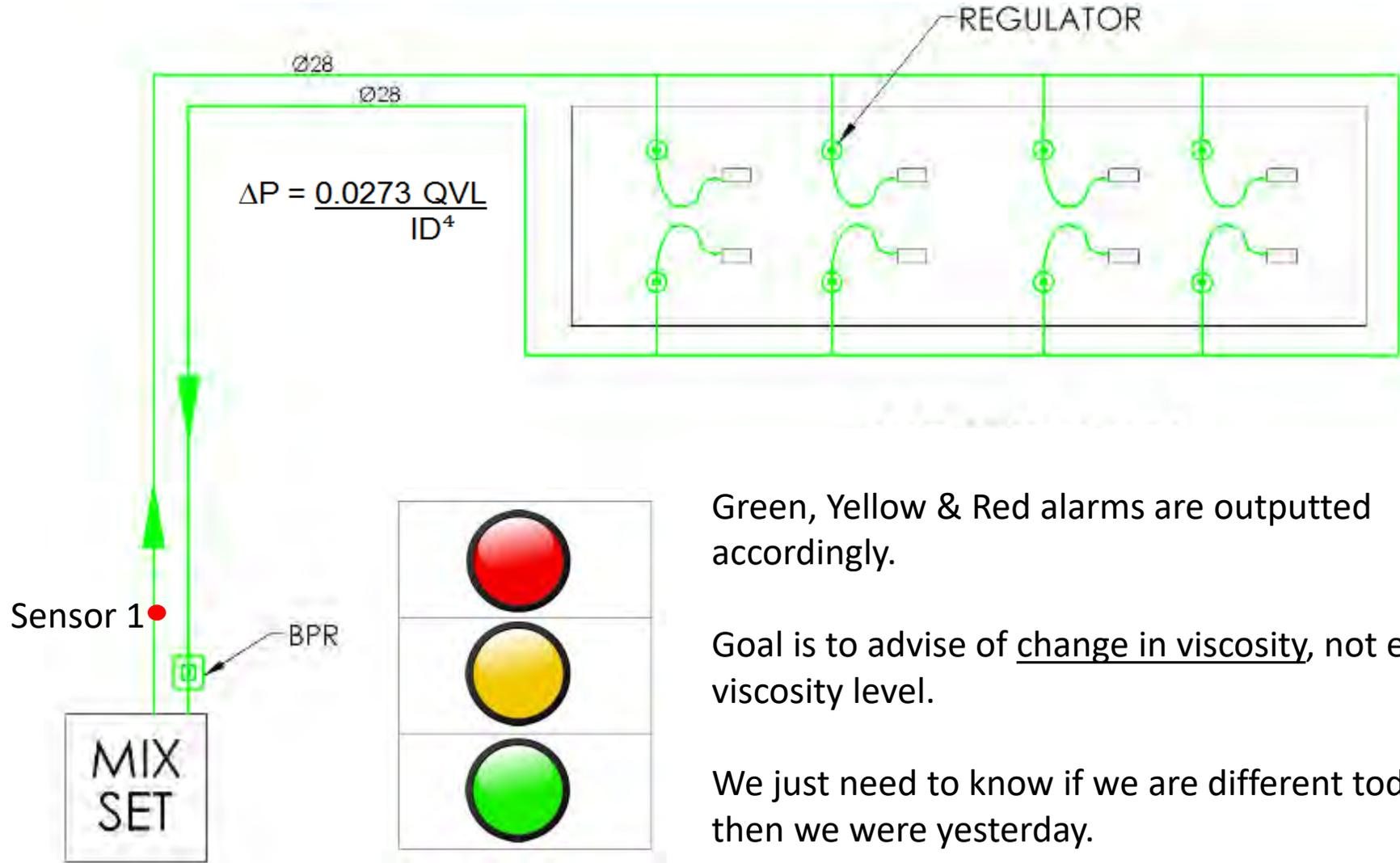
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- Pump flow rate is known.
- Viscosity is a variable. Currently manually measured.
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# Material Integrity Monitor: **Viscosity**



Green, Yellow & Red alarms are outputted accordingly.

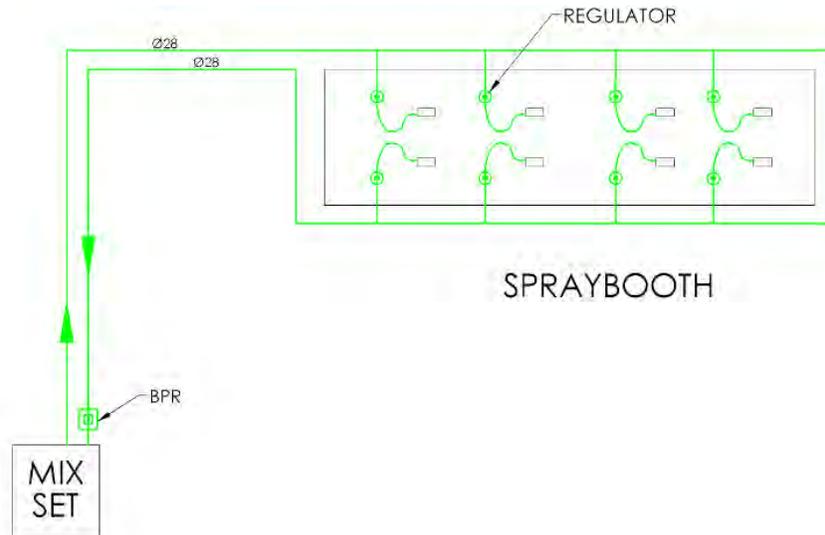
Goal is to advise of change in viscosity, not exact viscosity level.

We just need to know if we are different today then we were yesterday.

# Material Integrity Monitor: Velocity



Pump Cycle = Flow Rate = Paint Velocity



High level user inputs pump flow rate required to maintain material velocity through pipe.

System will monitor set point via pump cycles and provide soft alarms if material velocity is too high or low.

Data is collected for any future warranty concerns.

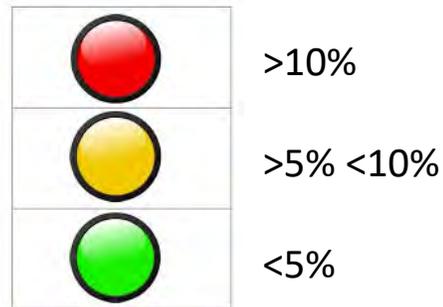
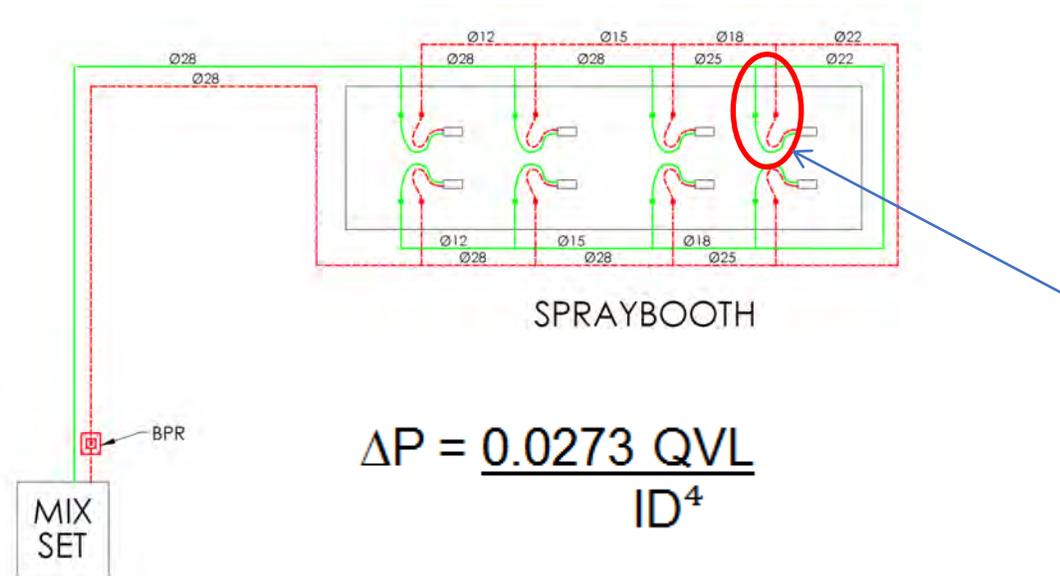


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# Circulation Line Status: **Balance**

## What We Know...



## What We Want To Know...

### System Balancing

A properly balanced system has equal pressure loss through all drops.

Equal pressure loss equates to equal flow.

With known viscosity & flow, a hose pressure loss factor can also be communicated.

# Pump Status: Real Time Maintenance/Diagnosis

## Real-Time Maintenance & Pump Diagnosis:

By utilizing pump cycle counter and pump outlet pressure sensors real-time pump operation or system diagnosis can be determined.

### Example #1:

- a) Pump shows cycle speed is not consistent between strokes.
- b) Pressure shows large pressure drop on one stroke

Output: Pump is not displacing fluid on one stroke. Root cause:

1. Ball check stuck open
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# Options:



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**SPRAYBOOTH**

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Material Velocity / Integrity Monitor

**Total System Focus... Diagnosis**

**End Result:**

**End user report showing:**

- Monitor change in viscosity (daily)
- Material velocity through circulation line (daily)
- System balance data including paint velocity through drops & total system balance (monthly ?)

Above data is collected for historical purposes. Provides data showing material integrity conditions.

Peace of mind!

Circulation System Realtime Diagnosis.

Control, Communicate and monitor other circulation products

**Total System Focus... Mobility Control**

**Tank/Drum Supply System**

Standard material tank data can be collected and monitored. Examples include:

- Tank level.
  - Simple level sensor can provide accurate tank levels. Data can provide material usage, drum change alarms, pump/line alarm or shut off on tank empty alert...
- Agitator controls
  - Depending on customers style of agitator various controls can be provided such as agitator speed based on tank level.
- Auto Tank Fill
  - We can supply auto transfer processes from tote or 55 gallon drum supply to day tank.

# IntelliControls: Smart Pump Process



## End Result

- User Provided following data:
  - Material Viscosity (monitoring change)
  - Material Temperature (real-time)
  - System Flow Rate (real-time)
  - Material Velocity (real-time)
  - Operating Pressure (real-time)
  - System Balance (diagnoses process)
  - Pump Operation (diagnoses process)
  - Data Collection / Storage
  - Tank level & total material usage (requires level sensor & data log)
  - Automated sleep mode during non production times.

Real-time data available at users finger tips...

Can be in plant communication hub only or if IoT is allowed data can be forwarded to cell phone apps, corporate offices...

Goal is user can locate and diagnose system issues prior to production issues (i.e. process vision).

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