





SHIELD Lite Silo Protection System Product Presentation



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APPLICATION OVERVIEW



Every year millions of tonnes of powdered product is delivered by road tanker and pneumatically transferred into silos using pressurised systems. During this process there are a number of problems which can occur causing over pressure with potentially fatal consequences.

The **SHIELDLite silo protection system** is designed to provide a failsafe system to control and test the safety devices fitted to silos to prevent the over-pressurisation and over-filling of the silo during this tanker delivery period.





PROTECT YOUR SILO FROM ALL THESE RISKS!





SILO **RUPTURE**



BLOCKED PRV



FILTER **BLOW-OFF**



SILO **OVERFILLING**



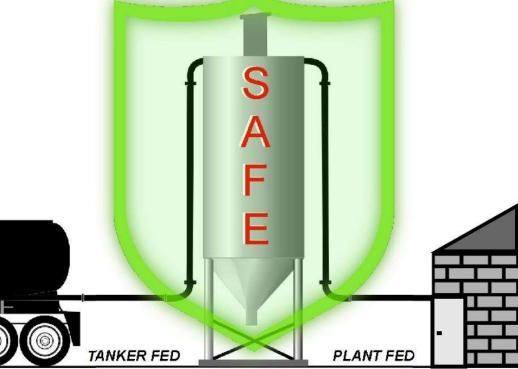
BLOCKED FILTER



ENVIRONMENT ISSUES



DISCHARGE **TOO HIGH**



POOR MAINTENANCE



WORKING AT HEIGHT

WORLDWIDE PROBLEM





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EuroMix

APPLICATIONS



Any tanker-delivered powder NON ATEX

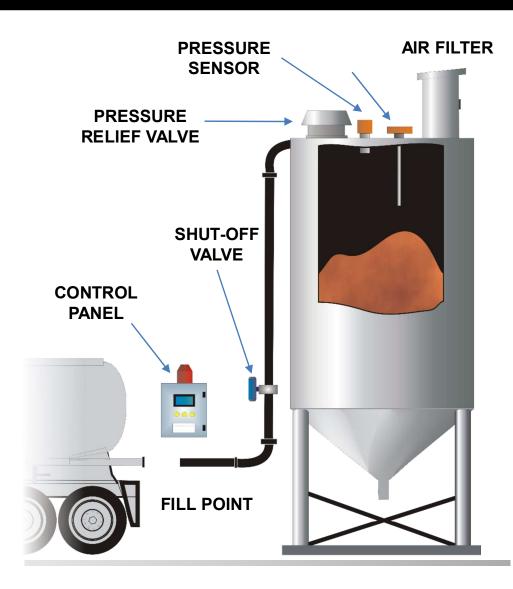
- Lime
- Cement
- GGBS
- PFA
- Plastic
- Sand
- Silica
- Hydrated Lime
- OPC
- Anhydrate
- # Plant fed systems contact Hycontrol





TYPICAL SPS SYSTEM CONFIGURATION





- Correctly-sized filter
- Accurate pressure sensor
- Correctly-sized PRV
- High-level probe
- Auto shut-off control panel
- Fill point shut-off valve

SHIELD LITE SYSTEM CONFIGURATION





Optional filter typically already installed on silo

SHIELD LITE IS A SIMPLE ONE BOX SOLUTION









Shield is a simple solution from the start

- 1. All the major parts are enclosed in one box
- 2. One manual for the complete system including level probes, pressure sensor, PRV, inlet valve and display panel.
- 3. One company to call if you require assistance
- 4. One company for all spares

BASIC SYSTEM CONFIGURATION







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MODULAR CONCEPT





PANEL WEATHER COVER



CONTROL PANEL



3 x HAND KNOBS 3 x RUBBER WASHERS

WEATHER COVER

PRV

GASKET

WELD-ON UPSTAND

WELD TO SILO-TOP

HYEGNTHGL

SINGLE OR DUAL POD MOUNTING OPTION



Reduce Installation time
Reduce modification of silo tops
Simplify wiring
Tidy silo top reduce clutter
Eliminate trip hazards











POD FITS INBETWEEN PRV AND RING



SINGLE OR DOUBLE LEVEL PROBE OPTIONS

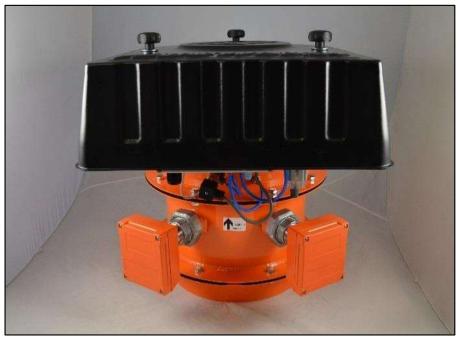




MODULAR CONCEPT







Basic silo-top assembly

Assembly with mounting pod and extra HHLA



SIMPLE RETROFIT USING EXISTING CABLING



Only 4 wires required between the top and bottom of the silo.

This may enable the use of existing cables.



GROUND LEVEL TESTING REDUCES RISK



REDUCES:

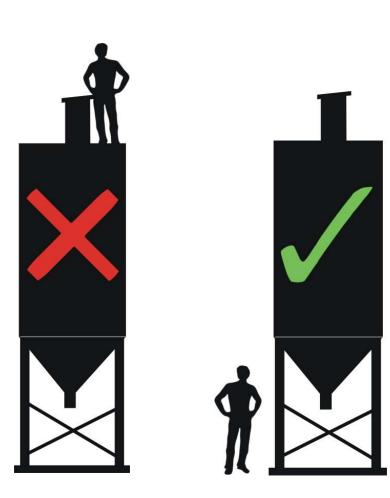
- Overspills
- Filter and silo damage
- Product loss
- Maintenance costs
- Working at height

AVOIDS:

- Staff injuries
- Costly repairs
- Expensive clean-ups
- Dangerous situations

PROVIDES:

- A safer working environment
- Peace of mind
- Lower cost of ownership



PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION



The SHIELD Lite silo protection system is a safety system built on the principle of Ground Level Testing (GLT).

GLT tests all the safety components on the silo at the turn of a key.



PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION



GROUND LEVEL TEST INITIATED INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:-

PRESSURE SENSOR
PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE
HIGH LEVEL PROBE
INLET CONTROL VALVE

ALL TESTS PASS OK

Signal OK and valve will open for a safe delivery to start

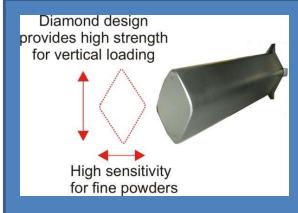
ANY TESTS FAIL

Display the problem and keep valve closed until resolved



GLT ON HIGH LEVEL PROBE

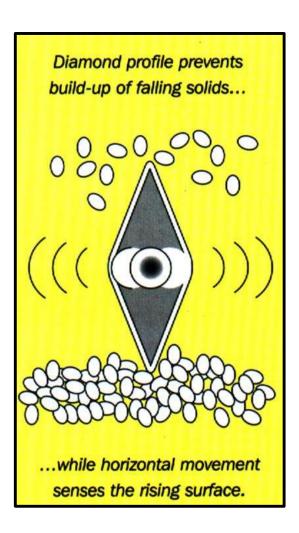






SYSTEM POWERED ON:-

- 1. Vibration starts at nominal frequency.
- 2. GLT operated by key
- 3. Electronics stop the vibration of the probe
- 4. If probe is functional it will detect frequency shift and an alarm output is sent back to the control panel
- 5. If probe is faulty alarm is triggered



GLT ON THE PRESSURE SENSOR



GLT INITIATED

1. Main site compressed air for the filter is used to carry out the test



Air is required to operate a typical reverse jet filter which is the most common type of filter on cement / powder silos. Typically 5-6bar (72-87psi). Hycontrol Tee off this line to test on the pressure sensor.

- 2. If the air has failed to the filter it *fails the test*
- 3. If the air to the filter is too low it *fails the test*

GLT ON THE PRESSURE SENSOR





If its blocked it *fails the test*If its damaged it *fails the test*If its broken it *fails the test*

GLT INITIATED

- Air checked at the filters
- 2. Air is passed into the test chamber creating a back pressure and bleeds out through a sintered membrane.

This has three actions

- Cleans the front face
- II. Checks for damage or blocked filter from cement or powder.
- III. Test's the pressure sensor mechanically and electrically to ensure it is fully operational to a calibrated preset pressure.

GLT ON THE PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE



GLT INITIATED

An internal ram is driven by the main air supply to lift the pressure plate. The proximity switch detects the lift and then detects when it is re-seated back down, ensuring it is not coil bound, blocked or restricted in any way. This ensures the pressure relief valve is ready to vent excess pressure if required.





GLT ON THE INLET VALVE



GLT INITIATED

- 1. After a successful GLT of the sensors, the valve will get a signal to open. The feedback box via microswitches, knows the valve position and whether the valve is open or closed.
- 2. If the air has been cut off from the valve (typical tanker driver override tactic!) it will not open and the system will alarm.
- 3. If the actuator fails the **system will alarm**
- 4. If the valve sticks the *system will alarm*
- 5. If somebody **tampers with the valve** before a delivery the **system will alarm**





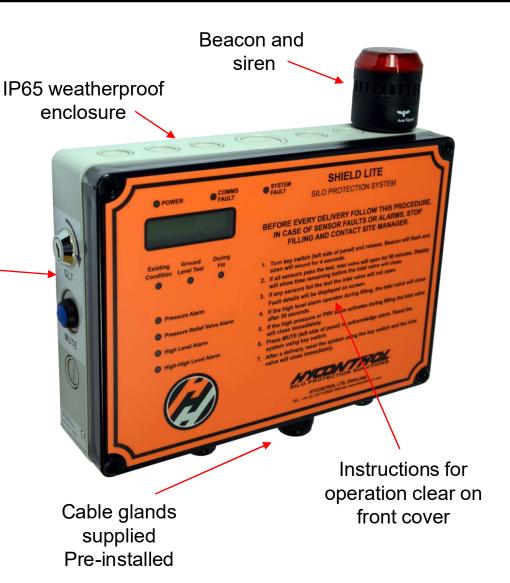
CONTROL PANEL OPERATION



The GLT is for testing all of the sensors and safety devices

The MUTE is for muting the alarms and if you continue to hold down will scroll through the logs of data





BASIC PANEL FUNCTIONALITY



- A successful Ground level test (GLT) test opens the inlet fill point valve to allow filling for 90 minutes. After 90 mins the valve will close.
- 2. Auto shut-off valve will close during a fill operation if:
 - High pressure activated, this will close immediately and activate alarm and siren
 - II. High level activated, this will close the inlet valve after 30 seconds (time to stop the delivery safely and effectively) and activate alarm and siren.
 - III. PRV lift, this will close immediately and activate alarm and siren
- 3. Vacuum detection (not during a fill), opens the PRV and the inlet valve to relieve vacuum
- 4. Filter run hours alarm will require filter check and reset
- 5. Ratio alarm for high pressures against number of deliveries will shut the inlet valve and require reset at silo top (Needs to instigate a filter / driver check!)

SIMPLE GLT OPERATION



 TURN GLT KEY to test all sensors and safety devices



2. GLT will display test in progress and test all the level sensors



3. GLT will display test in progress and test the pressure sensor & PRV

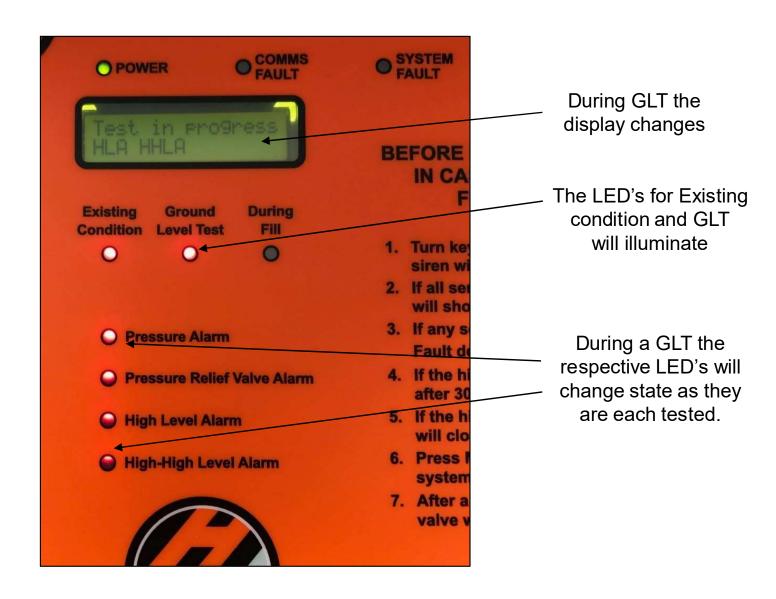


 After a successful GLT (all sensors working) it will display SAFE TO FILL



GLT TEST DISPLAY

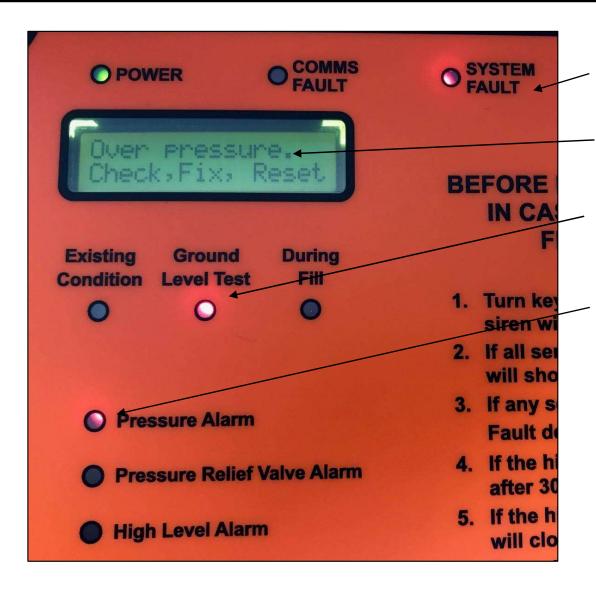




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WHAT HAPPENS ON A FAILED GLT TEST





- 1. SYSTEM FAULT LED ON
- 2. The DISPLAY also indicates pressure problem check the sensor, fix it and then do a retest
- 3. GROUND LEVEL TEST LED ON showing it failed during a GLT
- PRESSURE ALARM LED ON showing which sensor has failed (this test was a failed pressure sensor)

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LOG FACILITY



ALL SENSOR ACTIVATIONS ARE LOGGED AND TOTALISED FOR MAINTENANCE DIAGNOSTICS AND PREVENTITIVE MAINTENANCE WARNINGS



To access the logs just hold the blue mute button for 6 seconds they will then start to scroll.

If you release the button it will hold the last log until either you press again to move forward to the next log event or it times out with no activity after 30 seconds.

It can also be reset by the GLT key.



WHAT DOES THE SYSTEM LOG



High pressure statistic – Contains 2 values

- Number of high pressure events since last counter reset Resettable.
- > Totalised count = Running total of high pressure events since installation Cannot be reset.

An increasing number of high pressure events week on week indicates that there is a serious problem which requires investigation. It suggests a serious safety risk resulting from either uncontrolled tanker discharge or poor filtration. These issues need to be investigated urgently.

PRV lift statistic - Contains 2 values

- Number of times the PRV has lifted since last counter reset Resettable.
- > Totalised count = Running total of PRV lift events since installation Cannot be reset.
 PRV lifts are evidence of over pressurisation which indicates an over pressure rupture can happen when

the PRV is used continuously and eventually gets coated in product.

HLA & HHLA statistic – Contains 2 values

- Number of high-high level events that have occurred since the last counter reset Resettable.
- > Totalised count = Running total of high-high level events since installation Cannot be reset.

GLT activations statistic

➤ Number of times a successful GLT has taken place – Cannot be reset This is an indication of silo usage.

WHAT DOES THE SYSTEM LOG



Pressure O/Rs (overrides) statistic

➤ Number of times the GLT of the Pressure sensor has been overridden – Cannot be reset.

A high number indicates that a sensor is repeatedly being overridden. This is extremely dangerous – the reason for overriding the sensor should be determined as a matter of urgency.

HLA & HHLA overrides statistic

Number of times the GLT of the HHLA has been overridden in the controller - Cannot be reset. A high number indicates that sensor is repeatedly being overridden. This is dangerous – the reason for overriding the sensor should be determined and addressed.

PRV overrides statistic

➤ Number of times the GLT of the PRV has been overridden in the controller – Cannot be reset.

A high number indicates that sensor is repeatedly being overridden. This is extremely dangerous – the reason for overriding the sensor should be determined and addressed as a matter of urgency.

Valve Faults statistic

- > Valve faults; Number of times the valve has been over ridden before a fill plus totalised counts
- Valve Err the number of times its failed during a fill. Plus totalised counts

WHAT DOES THE SYSTEM LOG



Filter on time statistic

Number of hours the filter has been in use – Resettable.

This value is used to record how long the filter has been in use and will generate a warning on the display when 2000 hours has been exceeded. This is to indicate that the average filter cartridge life span has expired and needs changing. Refer to filter manufacturer maintenance instructions

Vacuum count statistic

Number of vacuum events – Cannot be reset
 Repeated vacuum counts shows serious filter blockage issue.

Low temp count statistic

Number of times the PRV control box has detected a temperature lower than -15°C (5°F).

Comms faults statistic

> Number of communication errors detected - Cannot be reset.

A high number could indicate a communication problem between the display panel and the control box on the PRV. Check communications cable is not close to a very noisy mains cable, check cable specification make sure the cable is screened, correctly grounded and wired correctly.

Version-date-time

Indicates the software version with date and time of creation.

KEY LOG INFORMATION FOR DIAGNOSTICS



Ratio alarm statistic

Number of High Pressure events detected whilst performing the last 10 GLTs – Resettable. A high number of high pressure events detected in 10 GLTs indicates that there is a serious problem which requires investigation. It suggests a serious safety risk resulting from either uncontrolled tanker discharge or poor filtration. These issues need to be investigated urgently.







Ratio alarm resets statistic

No of times the above ratio alarm counter has been reset – Cannot be reset.

SHIELD SPS - SYSTEM FEATURES





Precision-calibrated **Pressure Relief Valve** to vent pressure in the silo when it exceeds 50 mb (0.72psi). Finished in corrosion-resistant epoxy paint with integrated PRV lift point to allow essential maintenance tests. The PRV is fully Ground Level Test-enabled using a proximity switch to detect valve openings.

Weather shield made from durable, moulded polypropylene, the UV-stabilised weather shield cover protects the Pressure Relief Valve and electronics from the elements. The mild flexibility of the cover material means that any product ejected from the PRV should drop off the inside after it has dried, providing self-cleaning characteristics.





The auxiliary outputs provide the input feed back for the inlet control valve to confirm when open or closed or if anybody has been tampering with it to over ride.

SHIELD SPS - SYSTEM FEATURES





VIPER seals - twin seal air spring pocket eliminates air and product leakage and water ingress. Easy to remove and replace, saving both time and money.

Easy-grip, quick-release cover retainers - no special tools required for lid removal, enabling easy inspection and cleaning on the silo-top.





Local Pressure Relief Valve (PRV) inspection facility A single button lifting mechanism to open the valve for cleaning and seal inspection on the silo-top. This prevents lifting a load equivalent to 50-55kgs to look at seals etc!

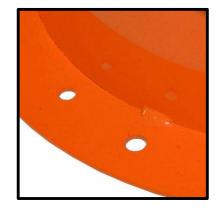
SHIELD SPS - SYSTEM FEATURES





High-specification pneumatic filter regulator with semi auto-drain feature to reduce moisture being blown into the system. Provides accurate compressed air control and provides an indication of water in the filter airlines which cause premature filter blockage.

Multi-point mounting holes for easy retrofitting. Fits most popular process connections and will retrofit a WAM 375 PRV. Optional high level sensor upstand accessory unit will connect to this for new installations.





Low-friction spring guides reduce wear during testing and improve spring longevity. High specification springs calibrated to lift at 50-60mb to prevent premature lifts. Competitors units are set at 50mb +/-10mb so could activate at 40mb the same as the high pressure alarm!

COST SAVING UTILISING EXISTING LEVEL SENSORS



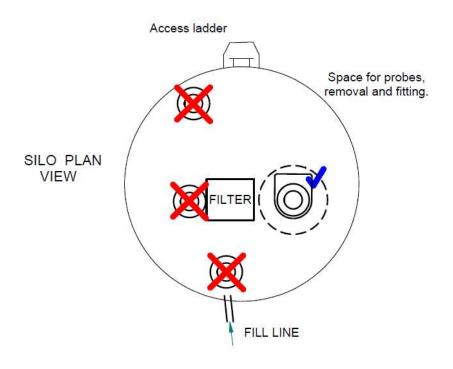


If site already has existing level sensors then these can be integrated into the Hycontrol system but please consider the following :

- 1. The power supply must be 24VDC or separately powered (which is likely if already existing) as their power cannot come from the Shield system.
- 2. The switch must have volt free changeover relay output so that shield can loop the internal 24vdc to detect when on or off.
- 3. There will be no test facility and will require additional maintenance and testing procedures

MECHANICAL INSTALLATION CONSIDERATIONS





When positioning the spigot allow for a 40" (1.0m) diameter footprint free of any obstructions for correct positioning, wiring and removal of covers.





INSTALLATION CONSIDERATIONS



- DO NOT mount probes in the fill path of the material as this will cause premature wear and failure.
- Ensure there is sufficient space to remove and install probes for maintenance.
- DO NOT install in front of ladder access.
- We recommend removal of old PRVs to prevent false venting.
- Beware of internal fill pipes, ladders, split silos etc.
- The ideal mounting of probes is 1/3 x silo radius.

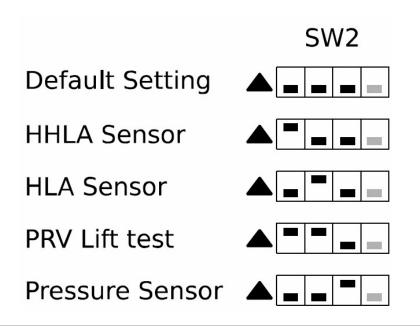
SENSOR DISABLE OPTION

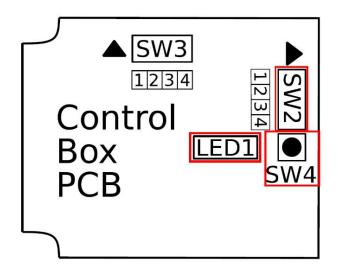


Extreme caution should be taken while completing the delivery with a sensor disabled.

Setting SW2 DIP switches allows you to bypass a faulty sensor to open the fill valve and start the silo filter to complete an urgent delivery. It should be used with care and only with the permission of qualified site personnel. Every effort should be made to identify and if possible repair or replace the faulty sensor. Without all sensors enabled, the safety system will not correctly operate to protect the silo.

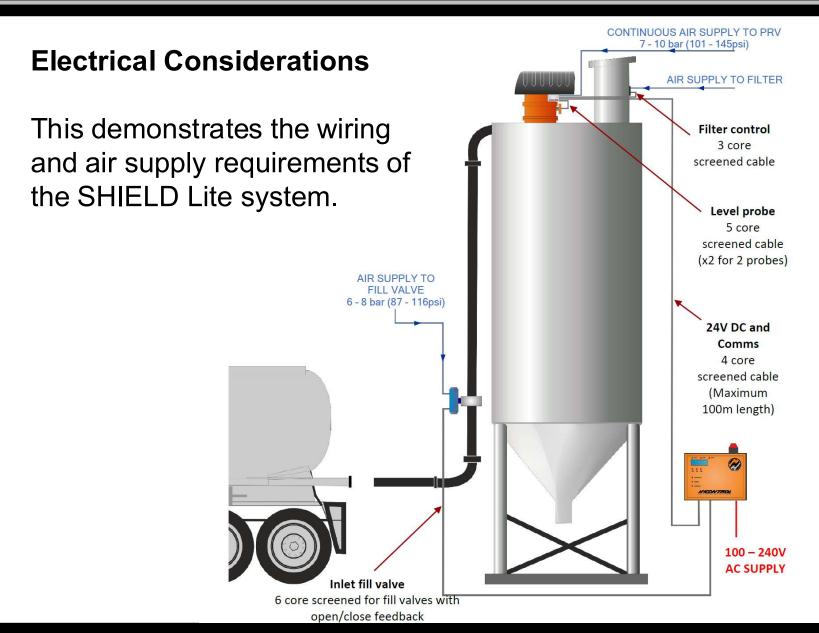
Any disabled sensor will automatically be re-enabled after the fill has completed or a fill alarm has been detected and the fill valve closed





INSTALLATION CONSIDERATIONS





SERVICE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 6 MONTHS



PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE

- Clean thoroughly
- Visually check PRV operation by operating the local 'Inspection Lift' button to check open and close action.
- Visually check seals and outlets for residue build-up and leakage, if any evidence of leakage and damaged seals then carry out a 12-month check.
- Replace any items damaged.
- Test that lift pressure is in the acceptable range 50 to 60mB (0.73 to 0.87psi) using calibrated portable test unit.
- Check the proximity switch mounting height is between 0 4mm (0" 5/32") when the valve is closed.

PRESSURE SENSOR

Check the pressure sensor for any build-up, remove and clean.

SERVICE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 12 MONTHS



PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE

Every 12 months (in addition to every 6 months check):

- Disassemble PRV, reassemble with replacement gasket(s) and thoroughly clean all items
- Replace any items damaged.
- Test lift pressure using Hycontrol calibrated portable test unit.

Every two years (In addition to the above):

- Replace the seals, springs and spring carriers, reset the spring compression settings, and test.
- Test lift pressure using Hycontrol calibrated portable test unit.

SEE MANUAL FOR DETAILED EXPLANATIONS

BEST PRACTICE ADVISES FAILSAFE



WHERE SAFETY EQUIPMENT IS TO BE INSTALLED
IT IS CONSIDERED STANDARD PRACTICE TO IMPLEMENT A
FAILSAFE DESIGN.

A PRODUCT THAT FAILS IN A CONTROLLED MANNER OR FAILS SAFELY!





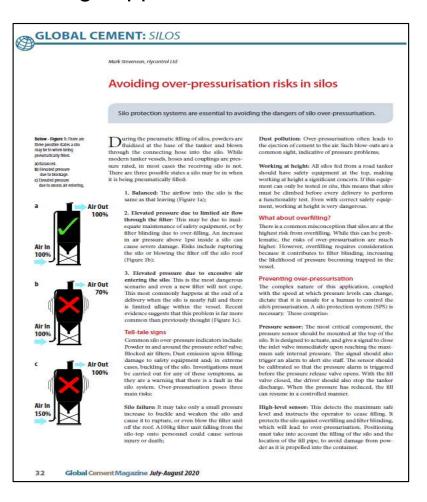
ALL HYCONTROL SHIELD COMPONENTS INCLUDING THE CONTROL PANELS, PRESSURE SENSOR, LEVEL PROBE, PRV AND INLET VALVE ARE FAILSAFE

PR & EDITORIALS



Hycontrol has a number of white papers, editorials etc.

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SHIELD Lite incorporates essential SHIELD Lite is to make sure that every

high-accuracy pressure safety components single pressurized powder delivery into

ownership is significantly lower than any both what this new system can do and the

effectively remove the risk of human error

completely Hycontrol has led the silo

through both innovation and product

performance. The purpose of developing

into a modular design that can be adjusted every single silo is completely safe. We reduce risk, create a safer working

anticipate that customers in the ready-mix

simplified and the long-term cost of and concrete sectors will be impressed by engineered solution - without

protection field for more than a decade technology for over thirty-five years.

unit. Pressures from as little as 1 or 2 psi

are enough to runture a silo or blow its

filter unit off the top. This poses serious

risks, which is why a comprehensive, failsafe

to suit site requirements. Maintenance is

safety and control system is vital.

DC:

Hycontrol has been at the forefront of

level control and silo protection

knowledge leader in silo pressure safety.

The company creates systems that it

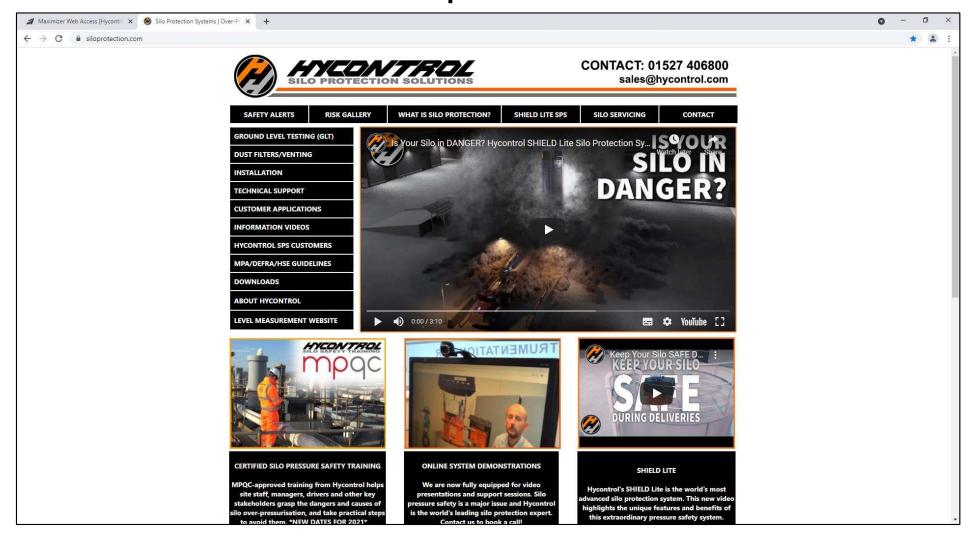
believes are safer by design, in order to

environment and provide the best-

Hycontrol is acknowledged as a global

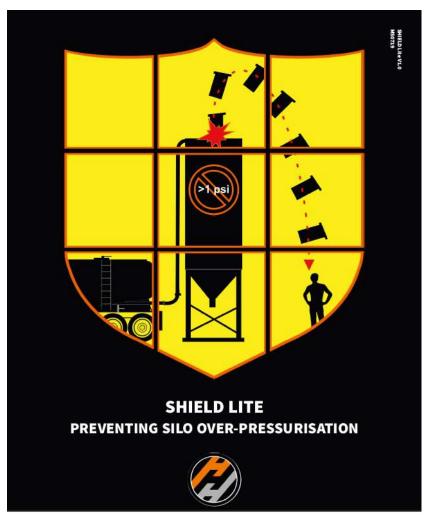


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TECHNICAL DATA SHEET







SHIELD SPS – KEY BENEFITS



- Increased site safety using Ground level Testing to test all critical sensors and reduce working at height risks
- Comprehensive event logging allows for preventative maintenance – allowing service engineers to tackle system issues before they become problems
- Monitor driver behaviour and performance with advanced diagnostics. Site managers will be alerted to dangerous filling practices or failed filters before they block
- Reduce maintenance and service costs with Ground Level Testing - test the whole system in just six seconds
- Improve environmental conditions through large scale reduction of product emissions
- Easy-to-use with one-key Ground Level Test system which guarantees complete silo protection safety and will not allow filling unless all essential components are proven fully functional





SUMMARY





SILO RUPTURE



BLOCKED



FILTER BLOW-OFF



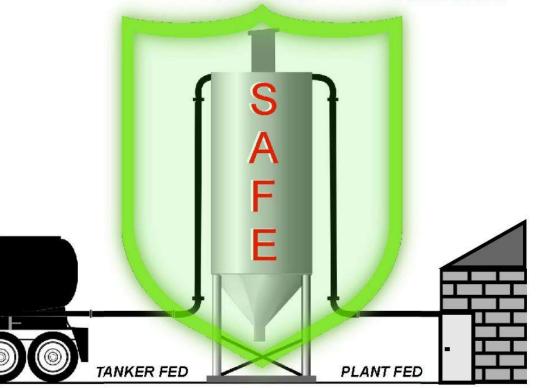
SILO OVERFILLING



BLOCKED FILTER



ENVIRONMENT ISSUES



POOR MAINTENANCE



WORKING AT HEIGHT



DISCHARGE TOO HIGH



Industry: Construction
 Tile adhesives and grouts



 Medium: Cement, Soda Ash, Hydrated Lime, Calcium Carbonate

• System: SHIELD LITE HLA POD 2 DP150













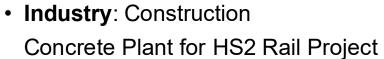
• Industry: Animal Feeds

• Medium: Wheat Silos

• System: SHIELD LITE SPS HLA POD 1 DP150







• Medium: Cement & GGBS

 System: SHIELD LITE SPS HLA POD 2 DP150 TDR VF04 Level measurement









Industry: Construction
 Concrete Plant for HS2 Rail Project

• Medium: Cement & GGBS

 System: SHIELD LITE SPS HLA POD 2 DP150 TDR VF04 Level measurement









• Industry: Construction
Concrete Plant London Underground

• Medium: Cement & GGBS

 System: SHIELD LITE SPS TDR VF04 Level measurement





