

Chapter 16

In Conclusion

Valves are used to re-direct product flow and for basic on-off service. It is the valve maintenance technician's responsibility to keep these valves in good operating condition and sealing properly.

The products, techniques and procedures detailed in this program have been developed over many years of pipeline experience. **Always** consult the proper manufacturers operating and maintenance manual before starting any repair procedure. Sealweld® has a large library of such manuals, many dating back (20 - 30) twenty or thirty years. Photocopies are available on request.

Keep copies of all the owner's manuals on the many valves at your facility readily available for easy reference. Make a record of your maintenance activities and keep it up to date. Make notations on any alterations you have made to the original configuration (changes in stem packings, the removal of inner check valves, etc.). Be sure to include comments on any special procedures required to get the valve to seal, this could prove invaluable in an emergency.

We trust you will find the procedures detailed in this program useful when maintaining the valves at your facility. Should you have any question regarding any of these procedures, or if you know of any successful procedures you would like to share, please contact us at:

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After Words

The HANDBOOK of Valve Lubrication and Maintenance is written from the maintenance departments point of view and in the language of service people responsible for safe and efficient operation of lubricated plug, ball and gate valves.

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