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## Certificate of Analysis

### SAND SCREEN PORE SIZE MEASUREMENT

1. Filter Reference: 12 x 64  
2. Client: Tubular Perforating Manufacturing Ltd

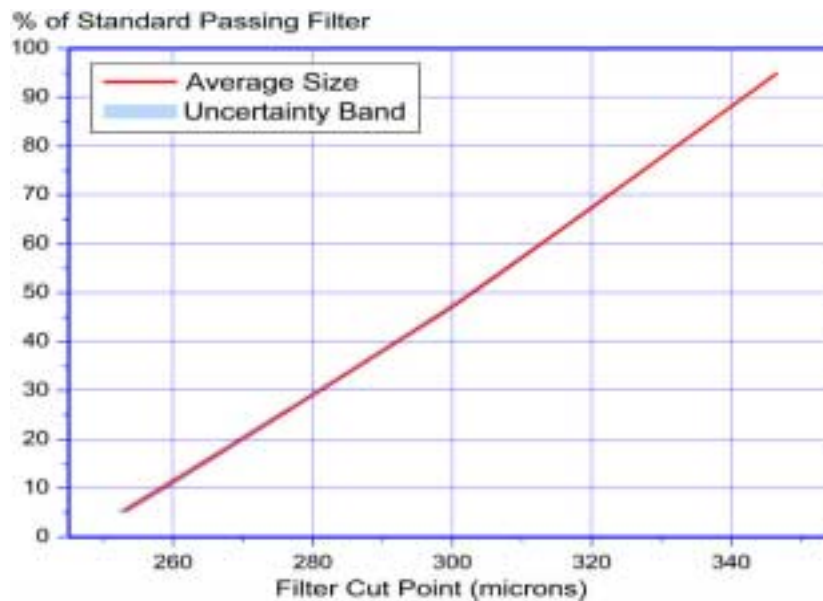
#### Calibration Method:

Clamp a disc of the filter to be tested in the Perspex filter holder of the Automatic Sonic Filter Tester. Tare and add approximately 0.4g of the calibrating microspheres. Record the weight of microspheres before transferring to the test machine. Run under the conditions specified below and reweigh to calculate the percentage of microspheres passing the filter. From the percentage passing, use the graph or equation below to determine the cut point (pore size<sup>1</sup>) of the filter under test.

#### 3. Test Conditions

- a) Microsphere Size Range: 252 – 346 µm  
b) Filter Tester Settings: ramp up time 0.1 minute, amplitude 30, run time 1 minute, ramp down 0.1min

#### 4. Microsphere Calibration Graph:



#### 5. Microsphere Calibration Equation:

$$\text{Filter Cut Point} = 245.77 + 1.251 X - 0.00211 X^2 \quad \text{where } X = \% \text{ passing}$$

#### 6. Analysis Results:

Initial Wt: 0.431g, Wt Retained: 0.176g, Percent Passing: 59%, Filter Cut Point<sup>1</sup>: 312µm  
Maximum Pore Size<sup>2</sup>: 343µm

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#### Notes:

1. Filter cut point is defined as the size above which there is a better than 97% chance of particle capture.
2. Maximum pore size. For Dutch weave sand screens this has been shown to be about 10% above the cut point. See web site [www.whitehousescientific.com](http://www.whitehousescientific.com).
3. The electroformed sieves used to measure the particle size of the microspheres were calibrated by optical microscopy using reference gratitudes from NIST (821/263573-00) and NPL (08A038/970127/106-66). For full details of see web site [www.whitehousescientific.com](http://www.whitehousescientific.com).
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