



Patent Abstract

Fibreglass-Reinforced Epoxy Liner System Assembly Design, with Insulating Liner having Similar Coefficient of Thermal Expansion as Carbon Steel

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The present disclosure relates, in some embodiments, to a novel fibreglass-reinforced epoxy liner system assembly design for corrosion prevention in a tubular piping system in conjunction with a specially designed threaded and coupled connection. Herein, the word “liner” refers to a layer of insulating material lined along the inner wall of the tubular piping system. The inventive design comprises (i) a specially designed carbon steel threaded and coupled pipe connection with the pin connector having an intermediate and/or external shoulder as a torque stop; and a recessed groove at the centre of the coupling to partially house an elastomeric seal ring, (ii) a chemically inert fibreglass-reinforced epoxy inner pipe liner with a similar coefficient of thermal expansion as carbon steel, (iii) a stiff elastomeric end cap to hold the inner pipe liner in place relative to the pin connector; and ensuring sufficient room for the filler material to fill the gap between the fibreglass-reinforced epoxy liner and the carbon steel pipe, (iv) a compressible elastomeric seal ring which would seal the gap between the 2 pin connectors, (v) and a layer of non-structural filler material that would fill the annulus between the fibreglass-reinforced epoxy liner and the carbon steel pipe.