CLAIMS

1. A pressure containment device for sealing around a ~~tubular body~~ rotating drill pipe during drilling of a well bore, comprising an actuator assembly and a seal assembly, the actuator assembly being operable to engage with the seal assembly to prevent significant rotation of the seal assembly with respect to the actuator assembly and to force the seal assembly into sealing engagement with ~~a tubular body~~ a drill pipe mounted in the pressure containment device, the seal assembly comprising a tubular seal sleeve having a radially inward portion made from a non-elastomeric polymer, and a radially outward portion made from an elastomer.

2. A pressure containment device according to claim 1 wherein the actuator assembly is operable to force the seal assembly into sealing engagement with a drill pipe mounted in the pressure containment device whilst allowing rotation of the drill string relative to the pressure containment device.

~~2.~~3. A pressure containment device according to claim 1 wherein the actuator assembly includes an annular packing unit and an actuator operable to reduce the internal diameter of the annular packing unit.

~~3.~~4. A pressure containment device according to claim ~~2~~3 wherein the seal sleeve is in use positioned generally centrally of the packing unit so that the packing unit surrounds at least a portion of the seal sleeve.

~~4.~~5. A pressure containment device according to claim ~~2~~3 or claim ~~3~~4 wherein the actuator comprises a piston movable generally parallel to a longitudinal axis of the pressure containment device by the supply of pressurised fluid to the pressure containment device.

~~5.~~6. A pressure containment device according to any preceding claim wherein the radially inward portion of the seal sleeve is made from one of polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE), a PTFE-based polymer or ultra-high molecular weight polythene (UHMWPE).

~~6.~~7. A pressure containment device according to any preceding claim wherein the radially inward portion of the seal sleeve contains an additive or filler.

~~7.~~8. A pressure containment device according to claim ~~6~~7 wherein the additives or filler comprises at least one of fibreglass, molybdenum disulphide, tungsten disulphide or graphite.

~~8.~~9. A pressure containment device according to any preceding claim wherein the radially outward portion of the seal sleeve is made from one of polyurethane or hydrogenated nitrile butadiene rubber.

~~9.~~10. A pressure containment device according to any preceding claim wherein the radially inward portion of the seal sleeve contains a plurality of apertures.

~~10.~~11. A pressure containment device according to claim ~~9~~10 wherein parts of the radially outward portion of the seal sleeve extend into the apertures of the radially inward portion.

~~11.~~12. A pressure containment device according to any preceding claim further comprising a second actuator assembly and seal assembly, the second actuator assembly being operable to engage with the second seal assembly to prevent significant rotation of the second seal assembly with respect to the second actuator assembly and to force the second seal assembly into sealing engagement with a tubular body mounted in the pressure containment device, the second seal assembly also comprising a tubular seal sleeve having

a radially inward portion made from a non-elastomeric polymer, and a radially outward portion made from an elastomer.

~~12.~~13. A pressure containment device according to claim ~~11~~ 12 further comprising means to direct lubricating fluid to the region around the tubular body between the first and second seal assemblies.

~~13.~~14. A method of containing pressure in a well bore, a ~~tubular body~~ drill pipe extending into the well bore, the method comprising mounting a pressure containment device around the ~~tubular body~~ drill pipe, the pressure containment device comprising an actuator assembly and a seal assembly, the seal assembly comprising a tubular seal sleeve having a radially inward portion made from a non-elastomeric polymer, and a radially outward portion made from an elastomer, wherein the method comprises operating the actuator assembly to engage with the seal assembly to prevent significant rotation of the seal assembly with respect to the ~~seal assembly~~ actuator assembly and to force the radially inward portion of the seal sleeve into sealing engagement with the tubular body~~.~~, whilst allowing rotation of the drill string relative to the pressure containment device.

~~14.~~15. The method of claim ~~13~~ 14 wherein the step of operating the actuator assembly comprises the supply pressurised fluid to the pressure containment device.

~~15.~~16. The method of claim ~~14~~ 15 further comprising varying the force exerted on the tubular body by the seal sleeve by varying the pressure of fluid supplied to the actuator assembly.