# BELZONA FILLS THE VACUUM

# **CUSTOMER**

Spain

## APPLICATION DATE

June 2013

### **APPLICATION SITUATION**

A vacuum pump in a chemical plant carrying sulphuric acid at elevated temperatures.

### **PROBLEM**

Due to chemical attack caused by the sulphuric acid at elevated temperatures, the pump had lost material on all components. As a result the tolerances no longer provided an effective vacuum and the pump was running at low efficiency.

#### **PRODUCTS**

Belzona 4341

# **SUBSTRATE**

Stainless Steel

### **APPLICATION METHOD**

After cleaning with a solvent degreaser to remove chemical residues, the surface was grit blasted to achieve a surface cleanliness in accordance with Swedish Standard SA 2.5 "Near White Metal". The entire internal surface, end covers, and impeller were coated with 2 layers of Belzona 4341. On the impeller tips, the coating was rebuilt to an excess of 5mm, then machined back to the required tolerances. The application was carried out in accordance with a modified version of Belzona Know-How System Leaflet CEP-03 & CEP-07.

## **BELZONA FACTS**

Belzona 4341 was chosen for it's excellent resistance to inorganic acids at elevated temperatures. The 100% solids nature of the product meant that a precise thickness could be applied, easily allowing for the tolerances to be restored to the pump. The efficiency of the pump was fully regained, resulting in significant operating cost savings.

## **PICTURES**

- 1. Internal casing after preparation
- 2. Internal casing after coating
- 3. End covers coated
- 4. Impeller coated









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