# Tank base seal on oil storage tank

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Industry: Oil & Gas Customer Location: Scotland
Application: GSS-Gaskets, Seals and Shims Application Date: May 2020

Substrate: Carbon steel

Products: Belzona 3131 (WG Membrane), Belzona 3921 (GSC Surface Conditioner), Belzona 6111 (Liquid Anode)

#### Problem

A large diameter oil storage tank had a seal around the annular rim. Movement & exposure to the elements had degraded this existing seal to the point where it not longer provided any protection from water ingressing underneath the tank.









Tank farm

Belzona 3921 applied & 1st coat of Belzona 3131

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Completed application

### **Application Situation**

The existing seal had failed due to age & UV exposure. Hot works were not permitted in the area due to the tank cargo.

## **Application Method**

The full tank circumference was grit blasted to SA2.5 & 75 microns in a 600mm band from tank wall to concrete base. Two coats of Belzona 6111 were first applied, then Belzona 3921. Following the recommended tank base sealing system bridging tape & foam backer rod were used to extend the bond line over the void between rim & concrete base. Belzona 9311 was then applied with Belzona 3131 to complete the system.

### **Belzona Facts**

Using this system provides long term protection. The flexibility of the Belzona membrane means it can cope with the movement of the tank as the fluid level inside rises & falls. The ability of the Belzona system to bond seamlessly to metal & concrete is key in this application.

