



# PRECISION BOILERS

## BLOWDOWN TANK

### INSTALLATION & OPERATION

#### 1.0 INSTALLATION AND ASSEMBLY

##### 1.1 ERECTION

- 1.1.1 Position the blowdown tank in its proper position and then shim the bearing plates to assure the tank is plumb using the Bessel sides as reference.
- 1.1.2 Attach bearing plates to the floor using (4) anchor bolts of proper size.
- 1.1.3 Grout the bearing plates to assure the tank remains plumb.

##### 1.2 ASSEMBLY OF EXTERNAL COMPONENTS

Refer to *Blowdown Dimensional Drawing*

###### 1.2.1 Gauges

Install the temperature, pressure and sight gauges in their proper position.

###### 1.2.2 Valves

Install the cold water quench and drain valves in their proper position.

##### 1.3 PIPING ASSEMBLY

###### 1.3.1 Inlet Piping

Connect the boiler blowdown and separator trap discharge to the blowdown tank inlet.

**NOTE:** This piping must be adequately braced/supported to allow for rapid thermal expansion and associated forces therefrom.

###### 1.3.2 Drain Piping

Pipe the blowdown tank outlet and drain to a suitable floor drain.

###### 1.3.3 Quench Piping

Pipe cooling water with full size pipe to the quench valve.

###### 1.3.4 Vent Piping

Pipe the vent with full size pipe outside the building to a point of safe discharge.

## **1.4 PRESSURE CHECK (If Required)**

- 1.4.1 Place plates (pans) between the vent flanges and outlet (discharge) flanges as applicable.
- 1.4.2 Close blowdown tank quench and drain valves, and boiler blowdown valves.
- 1.4.3 Perform hydrostatic test at 75 psi on the entire system

**NOTE:** Loosen the vent flange bolts to vent air from the tank.

- 1.4.4 Drain water from the tank and remove flange blanking plates (pans)

## **2.0 OPERATION**

2.1 Using quench valve, fill tank to point of overflow (even with bottom of discharge pipe).

### **2.2 Small Automatic Discharges**

Normal separator trap discharges and boiler surface blowoffs should be accommodated without any manual attention.

### **2.3 Large Manual Discharges**

To accommodate boiler bottom blowdown operation, the quench valve on the blowdown tank must be opened prior to the blowdown operation, and then closed after the blowdown is complete.