

Temperature Uniformity Surveys (TUS)

Benefits of performing TUSs in heat treating facilities

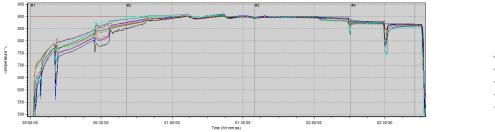
Specs demanding TUS (Automotive and Aerospace)

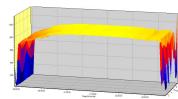
- CQI-9
- Ford-WHTX
- Bodycote BMS-WI 09.03.00
- AMS-2750D Pyrometry
- AMS-H-6875A Heat Treating
- AMS-H-6088A Aluminum Alloys
- Boeing Aircraft BAC5621H
- MIL-STD-45662A
- Other internal specs (Textron, Bell Helicopter, Lockheed Martin)



What's the usefulness of the info obtained from a TUS

- Indicates where cold and/or hot spots are in furnace.
- Gives insight as to why there are cold and/or hot spots and how to fix them.





- TUS info can be used at a later date:
 - For example: If a recall were to occur, TUS data help eliminate heat treat as a potential cause for the recall.



Benefits of performing TUS

Repeatability, repeatability, repeatability!!!!!!

 Verification of homogeneous temperatures reduces likelihood of scrap and/or quality related

product **RECALLS**.



 Compliance with customer mandates secures business.



Cost saving by performing TUS

- TUSs <u>proactively</u> help to achieve a repeatable metallurgical result.
- Because TUSs are a <u>proactive</u> measure (not reactive), the monetary savings related to performing TUSs could only be measured by NOT performing the TUSs and waiting for the bad news.
- There are many examples where NOT performing TUSs costs companies many tens of thousands of dollars and sometimes many millions of dollars.



Is it worth the risk of not performing TUSs?



Conclusion

If TUS are not performed, the heat treater needs to quantify what potential liabilities might he/she inherit if metallurgically related automotive/aerospace recalls were to take place as a result of poor temperature uniformity?



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