

Demineralized Water Storage Tanks at a Power Plant

Power-Nuclear — Demineralized H₂O Tanks
ARC S1PW Coating
Case Study 086

Challenge

Issue

The degraded water quality affected the operation of the boiler water system.

Goal

Provide a long-term, permeation resistant coating eliminating water contamination.

Root Cause

Coating permeation resulted in corrosion of substrate. Original tank coating failed in < 10 years. Resulting corrosion contaminating water with adverse impact to boiler.



Outside view of one of the tanks

Solution

Preparation

- Grit blast remove old coating
- Replace structurally impaired, corroded steel plates
- Grit blast to Sa 2.5 with 3 mil (75 μm) angular profile

Application

- 1. Spray apply first coat of ARC S1PW
- 2. Stripe coat weld seams with ARC S1PW
- 3. Spray apply second coat of ARC S1PW
- 4. Achieve DFT of 25 mils (650 µm)



Stripe coating of the weld seams between the first and second coat of ARC S1PW

Results

Service Life After ARC Coatings

- 10+ years without blistering, cracking, or delamination
- No maintenance required since coating

Additional Benefits

 Demineralized water quality now continuously meets power plant's specification requirements

Client Follow Up

 Subsequent to initial success, 10 more demin water tanks to be protected with ARC S1PW



View of the completed application