

# Coal Preparation - Frothing Cell

Mining/Mineral & Ore Processing — Beneficiation ARC BX2\*, S1PW and S2 Coatings Case Study 096

# Challenge

#### Issue

Corrosion and abrasion of tile and coated frothing cell reduced reliability and efficiency of frothing cells, impacting production at coal preparation plant after only 18 months.

#### Goals

- Reduce loss of ceramic tile in cell
- Prevent abrasion and erosion to improve plant reliability

#### **Root Cause**

Agitated coal fines in water/hydrocarbon froth erode ceramic tile grout and corrode steel shell internals.



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# **Solution**

### Preparation

 Grit blast to Sa 2.5 with 3 mil (75 μm) angular profile

### **Application**

- Apply ARC BX2\* as tile grout directly under draft tube
- 2. Apply ARC BX2\* to sloped/vertical internal surfaces @ 1/8 inch (3 mm)
- 3. Apply ARC S2 over BX2\* @ 10-15 mils (500-750 µm)
- 4. Apply 2 coats of ARC S1PW to the external surfaces. Total ~DFT: 30 mils (750 μm)

\*ARC BX2 is the "Bulk" package size of ARC 897



ARC BX2\* top coated with ARC S2

## **Results**

### **Client Reported**

- More than 24 months of optimal service with no loss of efficiency or plant productivity
- No further signs of tile grout erosion or tile loss
- ARC solution has protected 28 frothing cells



Frothing cell after ARC S1PW on outside