

PLIDCO® Shear+Plug Meets 2200 psi High Pressure Standard for Hazardous Steam Line Plugging

(West Lake, OH – October 16, 2009) - PLIDCO, the world's leading provider of pipeline repair fittings, announces today that its Shear+Plug line plugging product can safely line-stop 2200 psi piping systems.

"The shear plug has been a great solution for very high pressure steam applications for many years, but today we want to announce to the market it can safely handle pressures of up to 2200 psi," states Kim Smith, Director of Marketing for PLIDCO. "We believe this product is the safest line plugging solution on the market for the most severe high pressure applications."

The PLIDCO® Shear+Plug provides a positive metal-to-metal seal against high-pressure, high-temperature steam. To further strengthen the isolation, a sealant is applied. "Often times we are called into the most hazardous applications -- applications where other methods have failed because of extreme temperature or pressure," continued Smith. "Our business is making hazardous piping safer and that is especially important when you are dealing with line pressures that are exceeding 2000 psi."

Standard units are available in sizes of 1-8 inches and for pressures up to 2220 psi and temperatures above 600°F. The Shear+Plug is impervious to flow rate, making it ideal for boiler feed applications.

All Shear+Plug installations are performed by PLIDCO line plugging specialists. Unlike other systems, no shell cutter is used to enter the pipe eliminating potential problems. Instead, a double acting hydraulic cylinder accomplishes the shear-through, positions the sealing blind plate, and also retracts it. The

complete one-piece coupon is pushed into the receptacle housing for easy, complete retrieval.

“PLIDCO has a 100% success rate on all Shear+Plug installations eight inches and under,” concluded Kim Smith. “It is the ideal line stopping, line plugging solution for any high pressure steam piping system where safety is an issue -- especially when it has to be done right the first time.”

Founded in 1949, PLIDCO is the pioneer of pipeline repair fittings. It holds many patents and is a leading international supplier of high quality pipeline repair fittings and solutions for the oil and gas industry.

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