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PRODUCT DATA SHEET

PRODUCT NAME: RTW-121 TYPE: Zinc-Based Corrosion Inhibitor

For Open Recirculating Cooling Water Systems

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

RTW-121 is a highly effective liquid corrosion inhibitor, engineered to protect metal surfaces in open-loop cooling systems operating with low hardness and low alkalinity waters. It forms a durable, adherent protective film on ferrous metal surfaces using a zinc-based cathodic inhibition mechanism, significantly enhancing the system's resistance to corrosion under varied operating conditions.

This environmentally considerate formulation is free from chromates and other highly toxic components, offering dependable performance while minimizing environmental impact.

KEY FEATURES & BENEFITS

- Cathodic Corrosion Protection: Zinc forms a resilient protective barrier on metal surfaces.
- Effective in Aggressive Waters: Ideal for low hardness, low alkalinity systems prone to corrosion.
- Stable Under Heat: Maintains performance even at elevated skin temperatures.
- Broad Metal Compatibility: Protects mixed-metal systems including ferrous and yellow metals.
- Economical Dosing: Delivers protection at low concentrations, reducing overall treatment cost.

RTW-121 has been shown to:

- Thin and stabilize the surface oxide layer on alloy 600MA
- Eliminate the outer iron-rich, corrosion-prone layer
- Promote formation of a **chromium-rich**, corrosion-resistant inner layer

This structural modification significantly inhibits crack initiation and propagation under hightemperature corrosion conditions (e.g., 360°C).

RECOMMENDED APPLICATIONS

- Open recirculating cooling towers
- Power generation and industrial cooling loops
- Systems vulnerable to galvanic corrosion and pitting
- Applications requiring enhanced alloy protection, including nuclear plant water systems

PRODUCT SYNERGY

For complete system protection (scale and corrosion), use RTW-121 in combination with:

RTW-170 – an iron dispersant and scale inhibitor

This pairing provides comprehensive anodic and cathodic protection, along with effective scale and deposit control.



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DOSAGE & FEEDING GUIDELINES

Parameter Recommended Range

Normal Dose 5–10 ppm (based on LSI)

Zinc Residual (Zn⁺⁺) Maintain between 0.5–2 ppm

System pH Maintain between 6.5–8.3

FEEDING METHOD:

- Continuous dosing via a proportioning pump
- · Can be dosed as received or in diluted form
- Use only corrosion-resistant materials (PVC, PE, PP) for feed equipment

STORAGE & SAFETY

Store in a cool, dry place, avoid direct sunlight, avoid contact with skin, eyes, and clothing. Use appropriate personal protective equipment.

PACKAGING

Polyethylene drums of 25 or 220 liters, containers of 1000 liters.