



Plattco Corporation Launches EZ Seat, an Innovative New Seal for Double Flap Valves that Reduces Maintenance Costs, Improves Conveying System Performance

With EZ Seat, one person can replace the wearable edge on a valve in as little as 10 minutes without taking the valve offline. Successful pilot implementations completed in cement, asphalt, and energy plant conveying systems.

PLATTSBURGH, NY – March 16, 2015 – Plattco Corporation, producer of the most advanced material handling valves for industrial applications, today launched EZ Seat, an innovative way to replace the wear edge on Double Flap Airlock® Valves to dramatically reduce maintenance time and cost, and increase valve performance. In several pilot implementations, EZ Seat has delivered significant business benefit in systems conveying cement kiln dust, limestone dust, sandstone dust, fly ash and other abrasive materials.

With Plattco's EZ Seat, plant operators no longer have to replace the entire wear component of their Plattco Double Flap Airlock Valve during maintenance procedures. Instead, they can simply replace a bolt-on, light weight wear edge. In most instances, the EZ Seat replaceable component is approximately one-fifth the weight of the entire wear component. This enables one person to perform maintenance quickly and safely instead of requiring the aid of an extra person and taking up to six times as long.

The EZ Seat component also makes it possible for plant operators to customize their valve installation using one of several new high-performance materials, including a specially designed elastomer or PlattAlloy, Plattco's special wear resistance metal.

EZ Seats are available on the Plattco H-Series, the premium heavy duty valve, and the S8-Series, a high performance designed for use in environments where headroom is restricted. The EZ Seat innovation is patent pending.

"We designed EZ Seat to solve several operational challenges facing our customers," said Dean Surprenant, engineering manager, Plattco Corporation. "Plant operators installing EZ Seats on their Plattco H-Series or S8-Series valves stand to get significant return on their investment through better conveying system performance, at reduced cost."

Because the replaceable wear components are smaller, lighter and less costly than an entire valve wear mechanism, companies using EZ Seat also can reduce inventory and shipping costs. The Plattco EZ Seat complements the company's valve regrind program in which valve parts are reground and restored to their original airlock seal.

About Plattco Corporation

Plattco Corporation is the leading producer of valves that solve material handling problems in a wide range of industries. The company transformed the handling of dry materials in industrial applications in 1960 when it invented and patented the double flap valve to eliminate leakage with sintering and pelletizing in the mining industry. Since then, Plattco has set the standard for industrial valves that reduce maintenance time, increase efficiency, and lower costs in iron and steel, cement, energy and incineration, pulp and paper, mining, bulk powder and solids, chemicals, recycling, food, and other industries. For more information, visit <http://plattco.com/index.html>

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