

CLEANING LABORATORY EVALUATION SUMMARY

SCL #:	1997									
DateRun:	07/08/1997									
Experimenters:	Jason Marshall, Prashant Trivedi									
ClientType:	Machine Construction Company									
ProjectNumber:	Project #1									
Substrates:	Stainless Steel									
PartType:	Coupon									
Contaminants:	Inks									
Cleaning Methods:	Manual Wipe									
Analytical Methods:	Gravimetric, Visual									
Purpose:	To determine a replacement for ink removal									
Experimental Procedure:	Eight steel coupons were weighed after preclean treatment. The coupons were then contaminated with an excess amount of ink. The drying process was sped along through the use of an oven set at 100 C for approximately one hour. Eight cleaning chemistries (including the customer supplied cleaner) were tested to determine an appropriate replacement. Paper towels were used to apply the cleaners. The time to remove the ink was recorded. In order to keep the experiment practical, a cut off time of five minutes was used. Once the ink was removed, a dry paper towel was used to remove the excess cleaner and ink residue. The samples were allowed to sit overnight and were then reweighed to determine their effectiveness at removing the ink. SUBSTRATE MATERIAL: stainless steel CONTAMINATIS: inkSteel Blue DX-100 solvent based dye CONTAMINATING PROCESS USED: manual application of ink. dry for 1 hour at 100 C									
Results:	Of the eight chemistries used, only three showed success in removing the ink. Cleaner number one (cleaner to be replaced) was completely successful in removing the ink. It should be noted that the weight of the coupon after treatment with cleaner number 1 was lower than the pre-cleaned coupon, which may indicate substrate damage. Of the remaining two, number 7 produced a lot of foam and would not be useful to the client. Cleaner number 2 was a terpene based cleaner and had marginal result; however, the cleaner did not produce any foam. The remaining chemistries had no positive cleaning effects. coupon remaining %cont. comments # wt contaminate remaining contam contaminate remaining 1 0.0225 -0.0017 -7.56 damage									
	2	0.0200	0.0135	67.50						
	4	0.0114	0.0118	105.36	foamy					
	5	0.0107	0.0099	92.52	foamy***					
	6	0.0128	0.0140	109.38	foamy					
	/	0.0181	0.0089	49.17	foamy					
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Summary.	Substr	ates:	Stainle	ss Steel						

Contaminants:	Inks								
Company Name:		Product Name:	Conc.:	Efficiency:	Effective:	Observations:			
Accurate Manufactured Products		Safety Layout Blue Remover	100						
Tarksol Inc		Tarksol HTF 321	100						
Oakite Products		Inproclean 1300	100						
Man Gill Chemical Company		Gillite 0650 Cl	100						
MacDermid Industria Products	I	ND 17	100						



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Nalge Company	Nalgene L 900	100		
Mirachem Corporation	Mirachem 500	100		
CRC Industries	Complex Blue	100		

Conclusion:

Of the eight chemistries tested, only three showed success in cleaning the ink from the coupons. One cleaner was the client supplied cleaner to be replaced, another produced unwanted foaming action and the final one did not clean a majority of the ink from the coupon. It was determined from these results to run another experiment using terpene based cleaners that have

ink cleaning capabilities.