

# **RVX Upgrade**

ISO 13709/API 610 back pullout retrofit



## The upgrade specialists

Flowserve developed the RVX back pullout assembly upgrade program to address users' needs for improved pump reliability with reduced maintenance costs. The RVX program assists users in reducing fugitive volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions while gaining the advantages of a bearing frame in full compliance with ISO 13709/API 610, latest edition. It also addresses users' needs for improving pump hydraulic efficiency or operating stability by replacing existing impellers with ones specifically selected for current operating modes. This dedicated aftermarket support program makes Flowserve unbeatable as a problem solver for improving field equipment reliability and reducing total lifecycle costs.

## **Proven reliability benefits**

The RVX program applies to any existing ISO/API OH1 and OH2 pump installation, regardless of OEM.

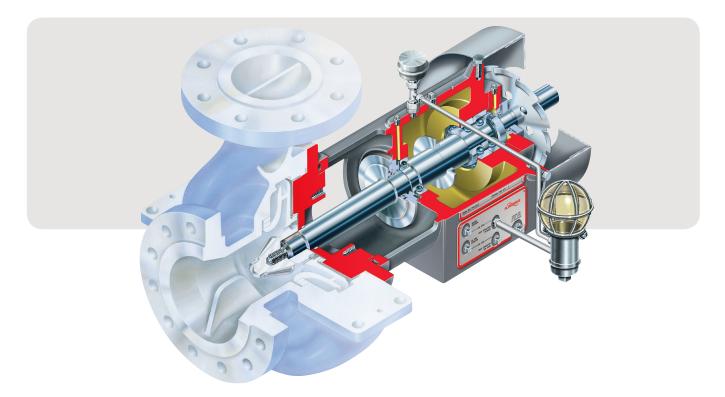
- Increased reliability based upon a robust design with larger radial and thrust bearings and low  $L_{\rm v}/D_{\rm A}$  ratio
- Full compliance with API 610 L<sub>10b</sub> bearing life requirements
- Increased seal life attributed to large diameter shaft with low  $L_3/D_4$  ratio for reduced shaft deflection with increased mean time between repair (MTBR) and reliability
- Elimination of cooling water by an outboard fan for heat convection
- No disturbance to existing suction and discharge piping
- High parts interchangeability based upon same parts used from Flowserve HPX pump product
  - Three standard frame sizes accommodate impeller diameters from 215 mm (8.5 in) to 525 mm (21 in)
  - Three standard seal chambers per API 682 dimensions to accommodate dual mechanical seals to control VOC emissions
- Lubrication system including constant level oiler with bearing isolators
- Oil slinger design to mitigate "dirty oil" appearance
- Quick Ship Program for significantly reduced turnaround time to upgrade existing pumps versus replacing with new equipment; upgrade in two to five weeks versus new pumps in 38 weeks



Before



After



#### Improve MTBR and total cost of ownership

The RVX assembly enables users to extend the useful life of process pumps while simultaneously reducing their total cost of ownership. It accomplishes this by upgrading low technology or obsolete bearing assemblies and seal chambers to ISO 13709/API 610, latest edition-compliant components. Standard RVX assemblies include the following new components:

- Bearing housing and shaft assembly
- Head, fixed throat bushing and integral seal chamber
- Head wear ring
- Keys for impeller and coupling

The application of current technology combined with dedicated support by aftermarket specialists ensures improved MTBR of any ISO/API OH2 single-stage, two-stage or double-suction overhung pump.

#### New product warranty

Flowserve offers a new product warranty on all RVX assemblies.

#### **Features and benefits**

Heavy-duty construction to ISO 13709/API 610, latest edition, including carbon steel bearing housing, assures maximum reliability and safety.

**Metal-to-metal casing/cover** fit with fully confined, controlled compression gasket ensures proper sealing and alignment.

**Outboard cooling fan** use dependent on operational speed and service temperature.

**Large radial and thrust bearings**, combined with very low shaft stiffness ratios ( $L_3/D_4$ ) and low shaft deflection, promote long life for bearings and mechanical seals.

Lubrication system with constant level oiler and Flowserve Bearing Gard<sup>™</sup> bearing isolators ensures optimal bearing lubrication and prevents ingress of contaminants for increased MTBR. Oil slinger design mitigates "dirty oil" appearance. Oil mist optional.

**Fixed throat bushing design** accommodates metallic and non-metallic bushings, permitting greater control of seal chamber pressure to suit application needs.

**ISO 21049/API 682 seal chamber** accommodates all popular dual seal arrangements without special engineering.

**Air gap** machined in bearing housing bolting flange that insulates the housing from heat mitigation in hot services.

## Standard outboard fan

Standard outboard fan eliminates the need for bearing cooling water and extends the operating temperature of the pump to 450°C (840°F) with no auxiliary support required.

#### Maximized parts interchangeability

The RVX enables users to maximize parts interchangeability. All ISO/API OH1 and OH2 single-stage, two-stage and doublesuction overhung pump wet ends, regardless of OEM, may be retrofitted with the RVX. Bearing housing parts are interchangeable with HPX and HPXM components.

## **Dimensional consistency**

With very few exceptions, the pump's discharge centerline to driver coupling face dimension remains unchanged on pumps retrofitted with the RVX. This is accomplished by selecting a longer coupling spacer, if necessary, to permit a drop-inplace assembly. Additionally, shafts are machined to fit the original pump dimensions.

## **Quick payback**

#### **Reliability payback**

The reliability payback of the RVX in a recent 50-pump program was 1.84 years as calculated by the user. This was based on the significant reduction in cost and time to upgrade the pullout assemblies versus completely replacing pumps. Improved reliability to ISO 13709/API 610, latest edition, is also assured.

#### Energy payback

Energy payback on the RVX can be realized by application of an optimized impeller. Consider the following facts from an actual case history:

- Reduction of 100 kWh
- Energy cost reduction of US\$35 415 annually using US\$0.04 per kWh and around-the-clock operation
- 0.62 years payback on energy savings



RVX assembly with expansion chamber, standard oiler, fan guard and optional coupling guard

## Significantly reduced lead time

The RVX retrofit improves pump performance and reliability significantly faster than purchasing a new pump. Typical lead time for a new pump is 38 weeks; the typical lead time for an RVX is just six weeks — a savings of 32 weeks.



#### Lead time comparison

## Hydraulic rerates, options and technical data

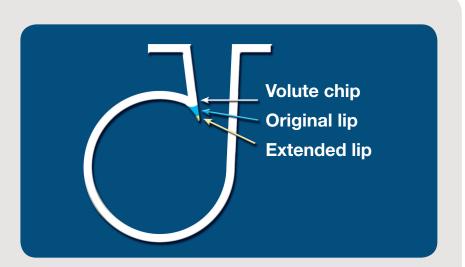
## Hydraulic rerates for optimal performance

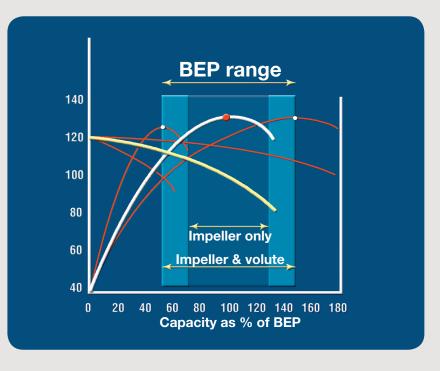
## Customized volute to impeller relationship

The relationship between the casing volute and the impeller can be customized to improve hydraulic stability over the entire pump operating range.

#### New or rerated impeller

A new or rerated impeller can be provided as an option to meet changing operating conditions.





## **Electronic documentation**

The RVX upgrades include the following electronic documentation:

- Cross-sectional drawing
- Outline drawing of pump
- Seal chamber drawing
- IOM manual addendum
- Parts list

The following electronic documents are provided when applicable:

- Coupling drawing
- Seal assembly drawing
- Seal flush schematic
- Required baseplate modification instructions

## **Optional hardware package**

- Impeller
- Mechanical seal
- Seal flush piping
- Coupling and coupling guard

#### **Material upgrades**

Material upgrades can be incorporated into upgrade kits for improved operating life of these parts:

- Cover
- Shaft
  - Gaskets
  - Wearing rings (metallic or non-metallic)
  - Throat bushing (metallic or non-metallic)

#### Service and repair options

- Casing repair
- Pump assembly
- Field inspection
- Field engineering
- Field machining





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