Marketing Bulletin

Date:	**17th December 2014**	Pegler Yorkshire
Issue: AS	**XPress/Tectite Insulation and Phenolic foam.**	

It has been brought to our attention that there is a requirement to clarify the guidelines surrounding the use of petroleum based barrier pastes with XPress/Tectite tube and fittings.

Please note that this bulletin is intended to supercede the advice printed in the current XPress Databook (Phenolic Foam -page 79).

As a precautionary measure, Pegler Yorkshire does not recommend any anti-corrosion materials containing a mineral oil base are applied around the mouth of the fitting as this may impact on the integrity of the O-ring seal, and this should instead be protected using silicon grease (or similar) to form the atmospheric barrier between the metal and the foam insulation.

An alternative would be to use an impervious material, such as PVC tape. This needs to be applied to the mouth of the fitting before applying any mineral oil-based materials.

If a grease-free installation is preferred then Pegler Yorkshire recommends the use of a butyl tape to provide a vapour barrier.

All other guidelines and recommendations for installation should be followed. If you do need to add a barrier product, we recommend that all fittings be fully installed before these are applied and that they are completely coated.