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Mr. Randy Wahl
Manchester Tank & Equipment Company
1749 Mallory Lane, Suite 400
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Dear Mr. Wahl:

This is in reference to your inquiry asking whether the required specification marking may be stamped on the inside of the valve protection collar of a DOT- 4BA cylinder under the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR; 49 CFR Parts 171-180).

The answer is yes, provided that the marking requirements as prescribed in §§ 178.3, 178.35(f), and 178.51(n) of the HMR are met.

I hope this information is helpful. If we can be of further assistance, please contact us.

Sincerely,

Hattie L. Mitchell, Chief
Regulatory Review and Reinvention
Office of Hazardous Materials Standards

OFFICE OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS STANDARDS
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING SHEET

DATE	COMPANY	SPECIALIST
	MANCHESTER TANK & EQUIPMENT /FROM: RANDY WAHL	BOOTHE

RECEIVED:

ASSIGNED: 12/03/96 *rec'd 12/5/96*

DUE: 12/17/96 *12/19/96*

SUBJECT 178.3

SIGNED:

COMMENTS:

SUMMARY:

COMPLEXITY: H M L

SIGNATURE:

DRAFTS: *Per Jim Jones & Hattie took to report on
inside collar of cylinder. Hattie
requested that Peter be re-assigned
to her! 12/12/96 JB*

*Letter returned to Gail for re-assignment
to Hattie 12/12/96 JB*

Date: 9-30-96, Sent to fax#: (202) 366-3753, Page 1 of 2.

Attention: Mr. Donald Hiltz Company: U.S. DOT / Exemptions & Approvals

Fax cover sheet from Randy Wahl
Senior Technical Support Engineer

MANCHESTER TANK & EQUIPMENT CO.

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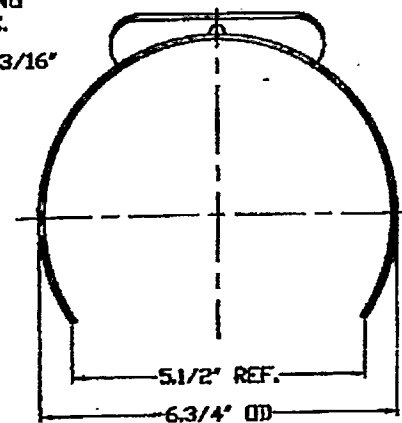
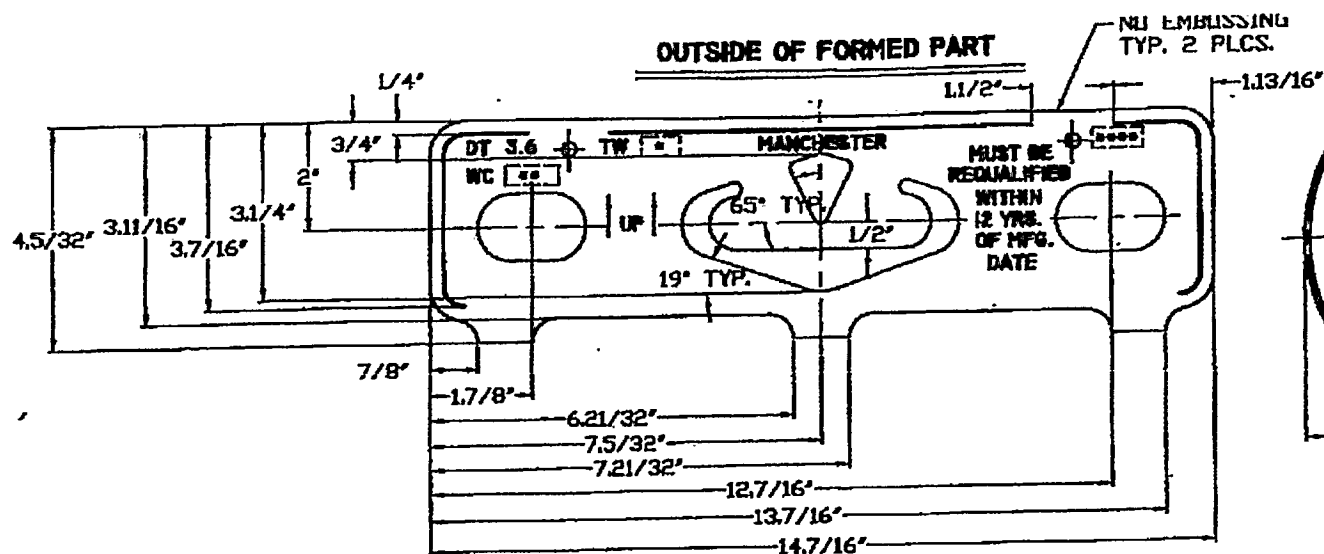
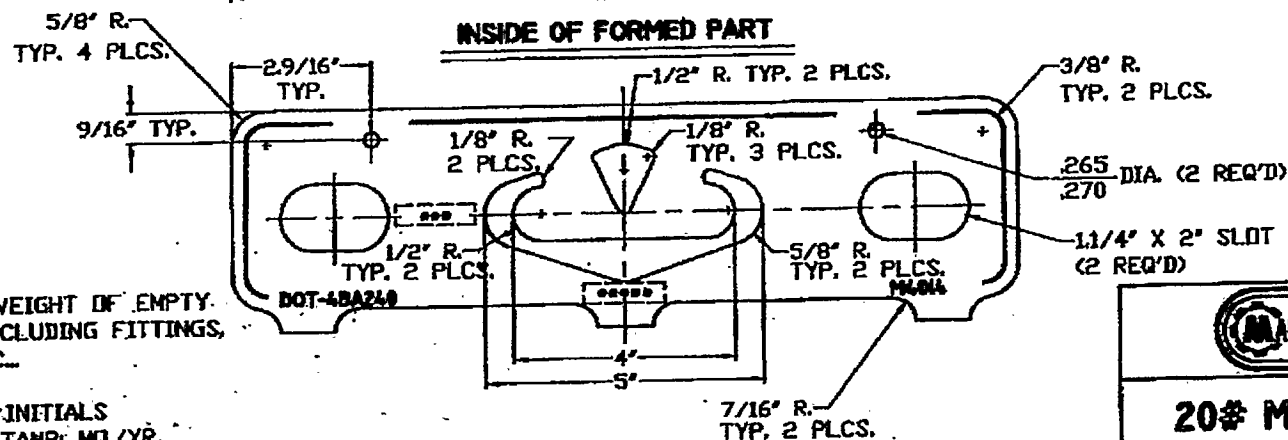
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Re: Proposed Valve Protection Collar for a

Comments: 4BA Cylinder

Manchester would like to know if the
stamping of DOT spec \ serial # \ RSPA Approval
& also Inspector's Initials could be
stamped on the inside of the collar.
Your reply would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you

**FORMED LAYOUT****NOTES:**

- * 1. T.W. STAMP: WEIGHT OF EMPTY CYLINDER, INCLUDING FITTINGS, VALVES, ETC.
- ** 2. W.C. STAMP
- *** 3. INSPECTOR'S INITIALS
- ***** 4. MFG. DATE STAMP: MO/YR.
- ***** 5. SERIAL NO.
6. MATERIAL: 13 GA. X 4.5/32" X 14.5/16"
7. WEIGHT: 1.5#.
8. DEBURR ALL SHARP EDGES.
9. UNSPECIFIED TOLERANCES, $\pm 1/32$ ", ANGLES $\pm 1^\circ$.

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