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Exhaust Systems May Exceed Service Temperature For Standard Fasteners

Problem

Fasteners used to repair exhaust joint assemblies were causing leaks that compromised the overall efficiency of the system.

Review

Standard SAE Grade 8 fasteners with All-Metal Grade C Locknuts are often installed by default because of their availability and common usage for protection against excessive vibration.

Assessment

Exhaust system components such as turbochargers on frac pump engines can reach temperatures as high as 1300°F.

Standards for leak-free exhaust joints have created an emerging need for bolting materials that combine temperature resistance and strength.

Recommendation

It is essential to refer to the original equipment requirements when replacing fasteners commonly used in engine exhaust manifolds, catalytic converters, and turbocharger systems.

Result

Use of High Nickel Alloy bolting materials will meet both the high strength and elevated-temperature demands required to provide reliable leak-free exhaust joints.



Frac pump engine



Close-up of exhaust joint



Close-up of exhaust joint



High-temperature bolt head

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