# SKID MOUNTED BALANCE PRESSURE FOAM PROPORTIONING SYSTEM



#### **APPLICATION**

Balance Pressure pump skid-proportioning system accurately controls the flow of foam concentrate in to the water stream. The system automatically controls the foam concentrate over a wide range of flow and pressure, without manual adjustment.

The system is typically used in the fixed foam system and specialised mobile equipments to protect tank farm, offshore platform, air craft hanger, marine dock, loading rack and in many other applications and in all types of hazard.

# **SPECIFICATION**

The basic system utilizes the principle of operation based on the use of a modified venturi device called "Ratio Controller". As the water flows through a nozzle at the inlet of ratio controller, a low-pressure area is created between the inlet nozzle and a down stream section called diffuser. This low-pressure area causes foam concentrate to flow through a metering orifice at the concentrate inlet and into the low-pressure area. As the system demand varies, the flow through the ratio controller increase or decreases, which in turn varies the pressure at low pressure area of ratio controller, creating a corresponding pressure drop across the foam concentrate metering orifice. This corresponding change of pressure results in a foam concentrate flow, which is proportional to the water flow through the ratio controller.

The pressure sensing line from the ratio controller inlet for water pressure, and from the concentrate supply side above the metering orifice are connected to a bypass valve. This valve automatically adjusts the concentrate pressure corresponding to the water pressure by re-circulating the concentrate in return line to the concentrate storage tank. Manually the pressure can also be balanced by using manual regulating globe valve to read equal pressure of the water gauge and the foam concentrate gauge (or through a duplex gauge).

The system is available as a skid mounted unit, in different flow range, varying from 150 to 18000 LPM. Each skid consist of a positive displacement pump, a pump drive, an electric control, a bypass valve, a manual regulating valve, a ratio controller, interconnecting piping in stainless steel with various controlling valves, check valve, flush-in and flush-out valve. The system is also available for operation in auto mode

## INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE

A qualified and trained person must commission the system. After few initial successful tests, an authorised person must be trained to perform the inspection and testing of the system. It is recommended to carry out physical inspection of the



system at least once in a week. The inspector should verify that all the valves are in their proper position as per the system requirement and there is no damage to any component.

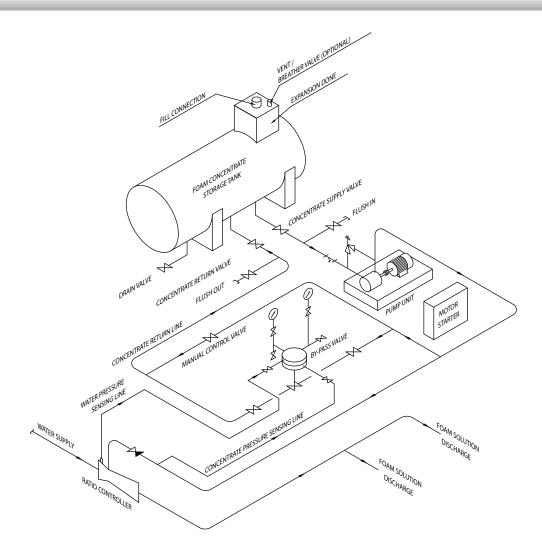
Do not turn off the system or any valve to repair or test the system, without placing a roving Fire Patrol in the area covered by the system. The patrol should continue until the system is back in service. Also inform the local security guards and control alarm station, so that a false alarm will not be signalled. The system must be periodically checked for its normal operating condition. All the valves must be verified for its normal operating condition. The electrical controls must also be verified.

The system must be operated periodically to verify its normal operating condition as per the instruction for testing provided with the equipment.

The entire system must be fully tested at least once in a year in accordance with the applicable NFPA codes, or in accordance to the guidelines of the organisation having local jurisdiction.



## TYPICAL INSTALLATION OF BALANCE PRESSURE FOAM PROPORTIONING SYSTEM



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