HIGH-VOLUME COMPRESSED AIR COALESCENT FILTER O. M. 23109

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Do not use this equipment until you have READ this MANUAL and YOU UNDERSTAND its contents. *

These WARNINGS are included for the health and safety of the operator and those in the immediate vicinity.

*If you are using a Clemco Distributor Maintenance and Parts Guide, refer to the orange warnings insert preceding the Index before continuing with the enclosed instructions.

Electronic files include a Preface containing important information.

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AWARNING

- Employers are responsible for identifying all job site hazards, educating and training all persons who will operate and maintain these products, and ensuring that all blast operators and their assistants understand the warnings and information contained in these instructions relating to safe and proper operation and maintenance of this equipment.
- Serious injury or death can result from failure to comply with all Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)regulations and all manufacturer's instructions.
- This equipment is not intended for use in any area considered hazardous per National Electric Code NFPA 70 2011, Article 500.
- Read this document and follow all instructions before using this equipment.

OSHA regulations relating to abrasive blasting are contained in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 29 (29 CFR 1910 General Industry; 1915 Maritime; 1926 Construction). The most pertinent include: 1910.94 Ventilation, 1910.95 Occupational Noise Exposure, 1910.132 Personal Protective Equipment, 1910.133 Eye and Face Protection, 1910.134 Respiratory Protection, 1910.135 Head Protection, 1910.244 (b) Remote Controls. Consult www.osha.gov for complete information.

NOTICE TO PURCHASERS AND USERS OF OUR PRODUCTS AND THIS INFORMATIONAL MATERIAL

Clemco proudly provides products for the abrasive blast industry and is confident that industry professionals will use their knowledge and expertise for the safe and efficient use of these products.

The products described in this material, and the information relating to these products, are intended for knowledgeable, experienced users.

No representation is intended or made as to: the suitability of the products described here for any purpose or application, or to the efficiency, production rate, or useful life of these products. All estimates regarding production rates or finishes are the responsibility of the user and must be derived solely from the user's experience and expertise, not from information contained in this material.

It is possible that the products described in this material may be combined with other products by the user for purposes determined solely by the user. No representations are intended or made as to the suitability of or engineering balance of or compliance with regulations or standard practice of any such combination of products or components the user may employ.

Abrasive blast equipment is only one component of an abrasive blasting job. Other products, such as air compressors, air filters and receivers, abrasives, scaffolding, hydraulic work platforms or booms, equipment for lighting, painting, ventilating, dehumidifying, parts handling, or specialized respirators or other equipment, even if offered by Clemco, may have been manufactured or supplied by others. The information Clemco provides is intended to support the products Clemco manufactures. Users must contact each manufacturer and supplier of products used in the blast job for warnings, information, training, and instruction relating to the proper and safe use of their equipment.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

This material describes some, but not all, of the major requirements for safe and productive use of blast machines, remote controls, respirator systems, and related accessories. All equipment and accessories must be installed, tested, operated and maintained only by trained, knowledgeable, experienced users.

The blast operator and all workers in the vicinity must be properly protected from all job site hazards including those hazards generated by blasting.

Work environments involving abrasive blasting present numerous hazards. Hazards relate to the blast process from many sources that include, but are not limited to, dust generated by blasting or from material present on the surface being blasted. The hazards from toxic materials may include, but are not limited to, silica, cyanide, arsenic, or other toxins in the abrasives or in the coatings, such as lead or heavy metals. Other hazards from toxins include, but are not limited to, fumes from coating application, carbon monoxide from engine exhaust, contaminated water, chemicals or asbestos. In addition, physical hazards that may be present include, but are not limited to, uneven work surfaces, poor visibility, excessive noise, and electricity. Employers must identify all job site hazards and protect workers in accordance with OSHA regulations.

Never modify Clemco equipment or components or substitute parts from other manufacturers for any Clemco components or parts. Any unauthorized modification or substitution of supplied-air respirator parts violates OSHA regulations and voids the NIOSH approval.

IMPORTANT

Contact Clemco for free booklets:

Blast Off 2 – Guide to Safe, Productive, and Efficient Abrasive Blasting, and Abrasive Blasting Safety Practices – Guide to Safe Abrasive Blasting.

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OPERATIONAL INSTRUCTIONS

OPERATOR SAFETY EQUIPMENT

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- OSHA regulation 1910.134 requires appropriate respiratory protection for blast operators and workers in the vicinity of blasting. These workers must wear properly-fitted, properly-maintained, NIOSH-approved, respiratory protection that is suitable for the job site hazards. Blast respirators are to be worn only in atmospheres not immediately dangerous to life or health from which wearers can escape without use of the respirator.
- The employer must develop and implement a written respiratory protection program with required
 worksite- specific procedures and elements for required respirator use. The employer must provide
 effective training to employees who are required to use respirators. The training must be comprehensive,
 understandable, and recur annually, and more often if necessary.
- NEVER use abrasives containing more than one percent crystalline silica. Fatal diseases, such as silicosis, asbestosis, lead or other poisoning, can result from inhalation of toxic dusts, which include, but are not limited to, crystalline silica, asbestos, and lead paint. Refer to NIOSH Alert 92-102; and OSHA CPL 03-00-007: "National Emphasis Program Crystalline Silica", in which OSHA describes policies and procedures for implementing a national emphasis program to identify and reduce or eliminate health hazards from exposure to crystalline silica. Numerous topics associated with the hazards of crystalline silica in silica blasting sand can be found on http:// osha.gov/. Clemco urges users of silica blasting sand to visit this website, and read and heed the information it contains.
- Always make sure the breathing air supply (respirator hose) is not connected to plant lines that supply
 gases that include, but are not limited to, oxygen, nitrogen, acetylene, or other non-breathable gas. Never
 modify or change respirator air line connections without first testing the content of the line for safe
 breathing air. Failure to test the line may result in death to the respirator user.
- Breathing air quality must be at least Grade D, as defined by the Compressed Gas Association specification G-7.1, per OSHA Regulation 29 CFR 1910.134. When compressed air is the breathing air source, a Clemco CPF (suitable sorbent bed filter) should be used. Respirator hose connecting the respirator to the filter must be NIOSH approved. Non- approved hose can cause illness from chemicals employed to manufacture the hose.
- All workers must always wear NIOSH-approved respirators when any dust is present. Exposure to dust can occur when handling or loading abrasive, blasting, cleaning up abrasive, or working in the vicinity of blasting. Before removing the respirator, test the air with a monitoring device to ensure it is safe to breathe.
- Clemco respirators DO NOT remove or protect against carbon monoxide or any other toxic gas. Monitoring devices must be used in conjunction with the respirator to ensure safe breathing air. Always locate compressors and ambient air pumps where contaminated air will not enter the air intake.
- Always use Clemco lenses with Clemco respirators; installing non-approved lenses voids the NIOSH approval. Respirator lenses are designed to protect the wearer from rebounding abrasive; they do not protect against flying objects, heavy high-speed materials, glare, liquids, or radiation.

INDUSTRY ORGANIZATIONS

For additional information, consult:

Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) - www.osha.gov

Compressed Gas Association (CGA) - www.cganet.com

The Society for Protective Coatings (SSPC) - www.sspc.org

National Association of Corrosion Engineers (NACE) - www.nace.org

American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) - www.astm.org

National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) - www.niosh.gov

American National Standards Institute (ANSI) - www.ansi.org

BLAST MACHINES AND REMOTE CONTROLS

AWARNING

OSHA regulation 1910.169 describes the necessity of pressure relief valves on compressed air equipment. Do not operate blast machines with air compressors that are not equipped with properly functioning pressure relief valves.

OSHA regulation 1910.244(b) requires the use of remote controls on blast machines. Serious injury or death can result from many sources, among them:

- Involuntary activation of the remote controls. Never modify or substitute remote control parts; parts are not
 compatible among different manufacturers. Welding hose is not suitable for remote control hose. Its ID and material
 composition make it unsafe for remote control use.
- Exceeding the maximum working pressure. Clemco blast machines are built to ASME-code and carry a 'U' or 'UM' stamp, and National Board/serial number. Every machine is marked with its maximum working pressure. Never exceed the maximum working pressure limits of the blast machine.
- Uncontrolled blast stream. High-velocity abrasive particles will inflict serious injury. Always point the blast nozzle in the direction of the blast surface only. Keep unprotected workers out of the blast area.
- Welding on the blast machine. Never weld on the blast machine; welding voids the National Board approval and may affect the dimensional integrity of the vessel.
- Moving the blast machine. Never manually move a blast machine containing abrasive, any machine containing abrasive must be moved with appropriate mechanical lifting equipment.

HOSES, COUPLINGS, AND NOZZLE HOLDERS

- The inside diameter (ID) of air hoses, fittings, and connections should be at least four times larger than the nozzle orifice size. Blast hose ID should be three to four times the size of the nozzle orifice. Example: a #6 nozzle (3/8" diameter orifice) calls for 1-1/2" ID blast hose and 1-1/2" ID or larger compressor hose. All hose runs should be kept as short as possible and run in as straight a line as possible to reduce pressure loss.
- To install, squarely cut the end of the hose so that it fits snugly against the coupling or hose end shoulder. Always use the screws recommended by the manufacturer ensuring that they do not penetrate the inner wall. Make sure the couplings tightly fit the hose. Install cotter pins at every connection or use couplings with built-in lock-springs to prevent disengagement. Install safety cables at all connections to prevent whipping if hoses disengage or blow out.

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

• Completely read and follow all service instructions and recommended maintenance intervals. Always shut off compressor and depressurize blast machine before performing any maintenance. At every service interval, clean all filters, screens, and alarm systems. If spring-loaded abrasive valves are used, always cage spring before disassembly.

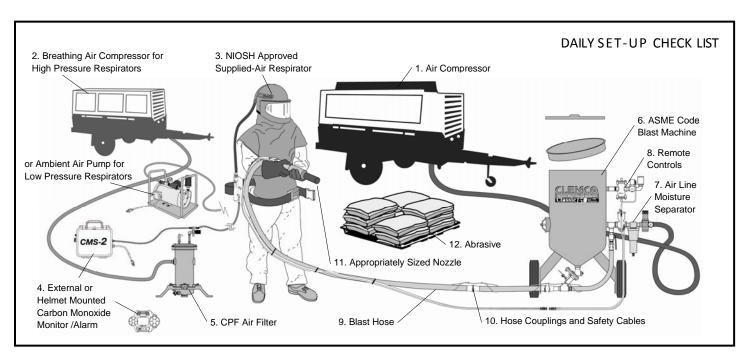
WARRANTY

The following is in lieu of all warranties, express, implied or statutory, and in no event shall seller or its agents, successors, nominees or assignees, or either, be liable for special or consequential damage arising out of a breach of warranty. This warranty does not apply to any damage or defect resulting from negligent or improper assembly or use of any item by the buyer or its agent or from alteration or attempted repair by any person other than an authorized agent of seller. All used, repaired, modified, or altered items are purchased "as is" and with all faults. In no event shall seller be liable for consequential or incidental damages. The sole and exclusive remedy of buyer for breach of warranty by seller shall be repair or replacement of defective parts or, at seller's option, refund of purchase price, as set forth below

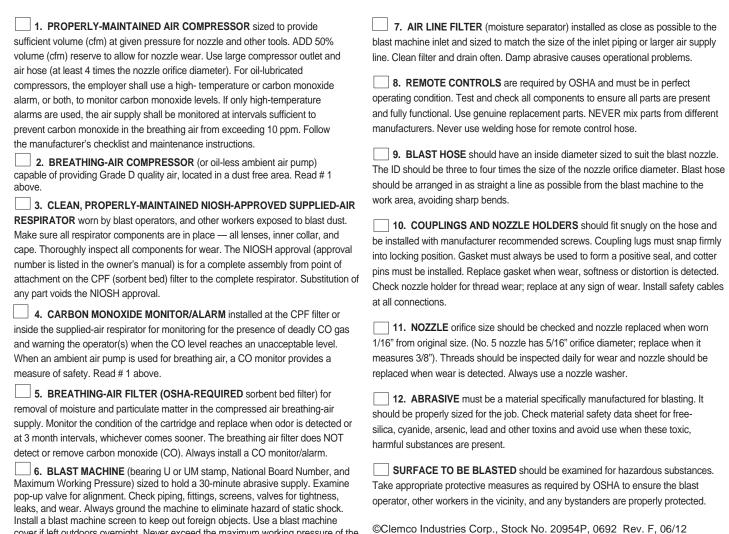
- 1. Seller makes no warranty with respect to products used other than in accordance hereunder.
- 2. On products seller manufactures, seller warrants that all products are to be free from defects in workmanship and materials for a period of one year from date of shipment to buyer, but no warranty is made that the products are fit for a particular purpose.
- On products which seller buys and resells pursuant to this order, seller warrants that the products shall carry the then standard warranties of the manufacturers thereof, a copy of which shall be made available to the customer upon request.
- 4. The use of any sample or model in connection with this order is for illustrative purposes only and is not to be construed as a warranty that the product will conform to the sample or model.
- 5. Seller makes no warranty that the products are delivered free of the rightful claim of any third party by way of patent infringement or the like.
- 6. This warranty is conditioned upon seller's receipt within ten (10) days after buyer's discovery of a defect, of a written notice stating in what specific material respects the product failed to meet this warranty. If such notice is timely given, seller will, at its option, either modify the product or part to correct the defect, replace the product or part with complying products or parts, or refund the amount paid for the defective product, any one of which will constitute the sole liability of the seller and a full settlement of all claims. No allowance will be made for alterations or repairs made by other than those authorized by seller without prior written consent of seller. Buyer shall afford seller prompt and reasonable opportunity to inspect the products for which any claim is made as above stated.

Except as expressly set forth above, all warranties, express, implied or statutory, including implied warranty of merchantability, are hereby disclaimed.

PREFACE



Make sure all blast operators are properly trained and suitably attired with a blast suit, safety boots, leather gloves, respiratory and hearing protection. Every day before start up, check all equipment components, including piping, fittings, and hoses, and valves, for leaks, tightness, and wear. Repair or replace as needed. Use the following checklist.



cover if left outdoors overnight. Never exceed the maximum working pressure of the

vessel.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Scope of Manual

- **1.1.1** This instruction manual covers the set-up, operation, maintenance, and replacement parts for the Clemco high-volume coalescent filter.
- **1.1.2** This manual contains important safety information. All operators and personnel involved with the abrasive blast process must read and understand the contents of these instructions, including the orange cover. It is equally important that the operator is trained and qualified to safely operate the blast machine and remote controls and all other equipment used with the blast machine.
- **1.1.3** All personnel involved with the abrasive blasting process must be made aware of the hazards associated with abrasive blasting. The Clemco booklet "Abrasive Blasting Safety Practices" contains important safety information about abrasive blasting that may not be included in equipment operation manuals. The booklet is available in both English and Spanish; to request copies, email info@clemcoindustries.com.

1.2 Safety Alerts

1.2.1 Clemco uses safety alert signal words, based on ANSI Z535.4-2011, to alert the user of a potentially hazardous situation that may be encountered while operating this equipment. ANSI's definitions of the signal words are as follows:



This is the safety alert symbol. It is used to alert you to potential physical injury hazards. Obey all safety messages that follow this symbol to avoid possible injury or death.

NOTICE

Notice indicates information that is considered important, but not hazard-related, if not avoided, could result in property damage.

A CAUTION

Caution indicates a hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

A WARNING

Warning indicates a hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

A DANGER

Danger indicates a hazardous situation that, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

1.3 Description

1.3.1 The primary components of the filter are shown in Figure 1. The filter is provided with a 2-inch inlet port, a 2-inch outlet port, and a drain petcock. The filter is designed to operate between 200 and 800 cfm (cubic feet per minute), at a maximum of 150 psi (pounds per square inch). Flow lower than 200 cfm or flow higher than 800 cfm may decrease the filter's water separating efficiency.

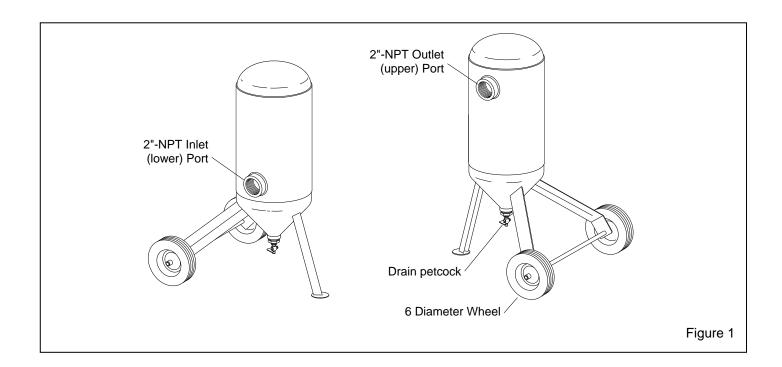
A WARNING

Always check the working pressure rating of all blast machines the coalescent filter will support. The filter is rated for 150 psi, however other pressure vessels may have lower maximum pressure ratings. Exceeding the working pressure of any vessel could cause it to rupture, resulting in serious injury or death to people in the vicinity.

1.3.2 Clemco blast machines (pressure vessels) are certified to conform to the ASME (American Society of Mechanical Engineers) Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section VIII, Division 1. It is the owner's responsibility to maintain the integrity of the vessel in accordance with the requirements of state regulations. Regulations may include regular inspection and hydrostatic testing as described in National Board inspection code and jurisdictional regulations and /or Laws.

WARNING

Welding, grinding, or drilling on the blast machine could weaken the vessel. Compressed air pressure could cause a weakened blast machine to rupture, resulting in death or serious injury. Welding, grinding, or drilling on the vessel, without a National Board R stamp, voids the Clemco ASME certification.



- **1.3.3** All welding repairs to the vessel must be performed by certified welders at shops holding a National Board R Stamp. Welding performed by any welder not properly qualified per the ASME code voids the Clemco ASME certification.
- **1.3.4** Do not exceed the maximum working pressure rating (PSI) of the blast machine. The maximum pressure rating is stamped into ASME nameplate which is welded to the side of the vessel.

A WARNING

Excessive compressed air pressure could cause a blast machine to rupture. To prevent serious injury or death, do not exceed the rated pressure of the blast machine.

- **1.3.5** OSHA does not require pressure relief valves on blast machines when air compressors supplying air to the blast machines are built to ASME⁽¹⁾ code and comply with OSHA⁽²⁾ regulations. OSHA regulation 1910.169 refers to the ASME code when describing the necessity of pressure relief valves on compressed air equipment. **DO NOT** operate blast machines with air compressors that are not equipped with properly-functioning pressure relief valves.
- (1) American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section VIII, Division 1,
- (2) Occupational Safety and Health Administration, 29 CFR 1910, 169.

2.0 INITIAL SET-UP

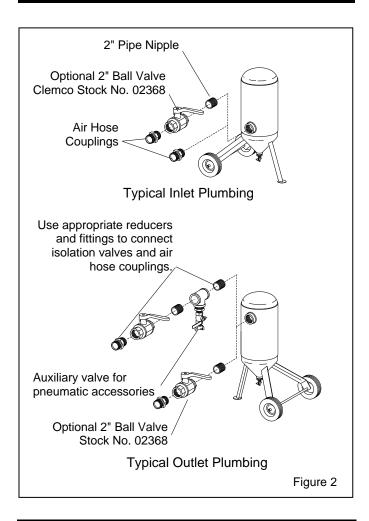
2.1 Assembly

2.1.1 Install a 2" isolation valve and/or air hose connection that is compatible with the compressed-air supply hose from the compressor to the inlet (lower) port, as shown in Figure 2. NOTE: An isolation valve at the inlet is not necessary if there is another means of shutting off the air supply to the filter. A valve at the filter permits depressurization of the filter and all outlet ports for service, without shutting down the entire air supply.

NOTICE

Do not use undersize fittings or supply hose that reduce the air flow. Reduced air flow may result in insufficient air volume (cfm), required for pneumatic tools.

2.1.2 Use appropriate reducers and fittings to connect an isolation valve and air hose coupling(s) that are compatible with the air supply hose(s) to the blast machine and accessories, to the upper (outlet) port. Isolation valves are recommended at the outlet port, when connecting multiple air hoses. Isolation valves enable the closing of each port when it is not in use.



3.0 OPERATION

3.1 Set-up for operation

- **3.1.1** Place the filter as far from the compressor as practical. NOTE: The filter removes condensed water and water particles. Placing the filter away from the compressor allows the air to cool, permitting water vapor to condense, and more efficiently removed from the air.
- **3.1.2** Connect an appropriately sized air line from the compressor to the filter's inlet.

NOTICE

Keep all hoses clear of foreign material. Avoid laying air hose in abrasive. Any foreign material in the hose will contaminate the compressed-air system when compressed air is applied.

3.1.3 Connect appropriately sized air line(s) from the outlet port to the blast machine and other pneumatic tools.

3.1.4 Use lock-pins to safety lock all twist-on hose couplings to prevent accidental separation when under pressure.

A WARNING

Hoses that disconnect while under pressure could cause serious injury or death. Use safety lock-pins and safety cables on all coupling connections to prevent hose couplings from accidental disconnection.

3.1.5 Attach safety cables on all hoses.

3.2 Pressurize Air Supply

- **3.2.1** Check all air lines and connection to make sure all couplings are secured with safety lock-pins or other appropriate locking device that is compatible with the couplings, and that all air hoses are secured with safety cables.
- **3.2.2** Start the compressor and bring it to operating conditions.
- **3.2.3** Slowly open the air supply valve at the compressor. Listen for open lines or leaks. Shut the air supply immediately if there are any open lines.

3.3 Operation

- **3.3.1** Open the inlet valve (if so equipped) and all outlet lines that are to be used.
- **3.3.2** Open the drain petcock enough to permit a small amount of air to escape. This allows water to drain as it accumulates.

4.0 MAINTENANCE

4.1 Draining water

4.1.1 Fully open the drain petcock, at least hourly, to drain accumulated water. The drain petcock is located at the bottom of the vessel.

4.2 Back-flushing

NOTE: The only service maintenance required is occasional back-flushing. Back-flushing is needed when excessive oils and moisture pass through the filter or in the extreme case when excessive pressure drop is noted across the filter.

A WARNING

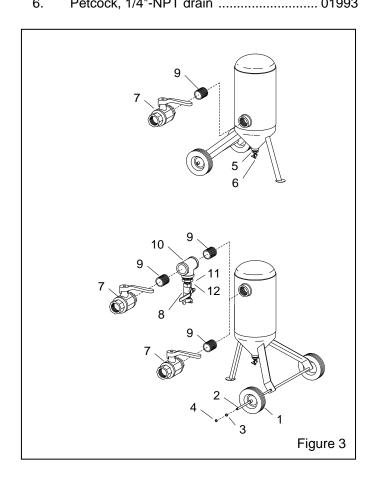
Failure to observe the following before performing any maintenance could cause serious injury or death from the sudden release of compressed air:

- Depressurize the filter vessel.
- Lockout and tagout the compressed air supply.
- · Bleed the air supply line to the vessel.
- **4.2.1** Disconnect the filter from the air supply, and disconnect all hoses.
- **4.2.2** Close the inlet valve and all outlet valves. If valves are not installed, plug all ports with pipe plugs.
- **4.2.3** Carefully lay the filter on its side and open the port facing up.
- **4.2.4** Fill the vessel with warm water and detergent solution, through the top port.
- **4.2.5** Allow the solution to stand in the vessel for one or two hours.
- **4.2.6** Move the filter to the upright position, then open the inlet and outlet ports and drain petcock to empty the solution from the vessel.
- **4.2.7** Connect the air supply hose to the outlet port.
- **4.2.8** With the inlet pointing in a safe direction, away from persons or objects, apply pressure to the hose, reversing the normal flow to flush loosened contaminants from the filter inlet.
- **4.2.9** Repeat steps 4.2.3 through 4.2.8 if necessary.
- **4.2.10** To rinse, use clean water and repeat the process.
- **4.2.11** Set-up the filter for normal use. Apply compressed air to the filter, and open the drain petcock until all water is expelled.

5.0 REPLACEMENT PARTS

5.1 Coalescent Filter Assembly, Figure 3

Item	Description	Stock No.
(-)	High-volume coalescent filter, include	
	filter vessel and items 1 through 6.	23108
1.	Wheel 6" diameter with rubber tire	02326
2.	Axle, 3/4" x 23"	02404
3.	Washer, 3/4" thrust	03804
4.	Retaining ring, 3/4"	03805
5.	Bushing, 1"-NPT x 1/4-NPT	02023
6	Petcock 1/4"-NPT drain	01993



5.1 Typical Optional Accessories, Figure 3 *

Item	Description	Stock No.
7.	Valve, 2"-NPT ball with handle	02368
8.	Valve 1"-NPT ball with handle	02396
9.	Nipple, 2" x Close	01880
10.	Tee, 2"-NPT	05021
11.	Bushing, 2" x 1"	13216
12.	Nipple, 1" x 2"	01702

* Sizes shown are guidelines only and the layout is shown as an example, use sizes and configurations that are appropriate to air requirements.