

Case Study: Aqastrip ACB

Recycle or reuse? A money savings comparison

The Challenge

Many manufacturers spend considerable money on masking materials. Expenses can easily run from \$5,000, to \$50,000, or more, annually. Although the use of these materials is necessary, they offer little additional value to the products manufactured.

Recognizing this expenditure, Hubbard-Hall was able to solve a problem one company didn't even know it had.



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Features & Benefits

- Contains non-hazardous solvents... for a safer work environment
- Can be used on most metals... so you can strip your parts, too
- Biodegradable... for easier waste treatment
- Strip masking materials up to 6-7 times... and produces less waste



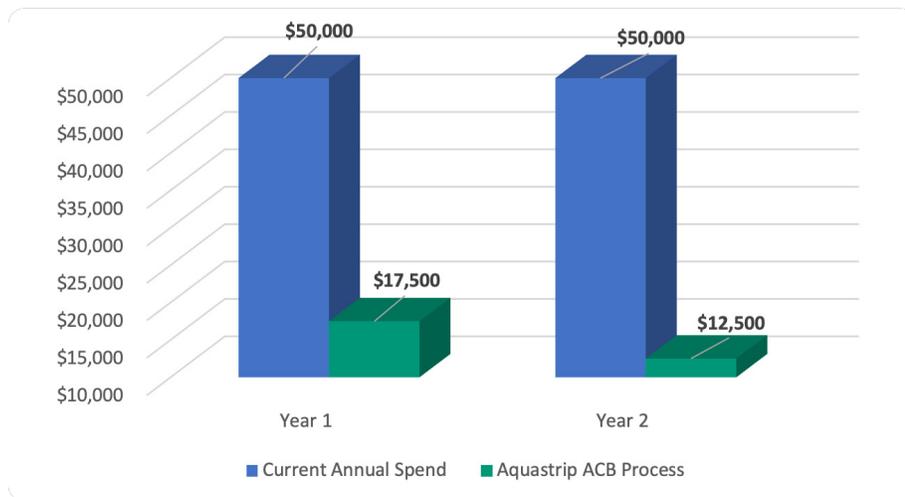
Placed on tubes prior to powder coating, masking plugs cleaned with Aqastrip ACB, can be reused 6-7 times before being thrown away.

The Approach

With \$50,000 a year in masking material costs, Hubbard-Hall recommended the company use Aqastrip ACB to strip and then reuse their masking materials. The recommendation included a proper tank,

filtering system, circulation, heating and baskets for handling the paint stripping process.

Aquastrip ACB is a paint stripper made from a unique blend of water, surfactants, non-hazardous solvents, activators and inhibitors. It's effective on aluminum, brass, copper and steel and safe for caps, plugs and masking materials. Proven to quickly remove epoxy resin-based powder coatings, Aquastrip ACB paint stripper is formulated without phenols, methylene chloride, chlorinated solvents, amines, chromates or ammonia.



As a mildly acidic liquid concentrate, Aquastrip ACB is used to remove tenacious polymeric coatings including epoxy paints from ferrous and non-ferrous metals.

The Outcome

By incorporating Aquastrip ACB into their manufacturing process and re-using their plugs, Hubbard-Hall was able to help their customer – who spent \$50,000 per year on masking materials - save \$37,000 by its second year. Other companies that powder coat, electro-coat and paint, can also see savings as high as 85% of annual masking materials costs.

What about sustainability?

Many companies are under pressure to reduce, reuse and recycle. Hubbard-Hall customers agree that implementing the Aquastrip ACB process to reuse their masking plugs allows them to save money, improve profitability and satisfy the need for environmental and most importantly economic sustainability.

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