Chemical injection systems are commonly used in production facilities in the oil & gas industry. They prevent or mitigate a wide range of problems that might negatively affect the production flow and/or process completion. Frames designs, manufactures and supplies custom-built injection systems for a broad range of process applications, including production processes, (produced) water treatment and hydrate control in pipelines and wells.

Product Description

Chemical injection systems typically consist of multiple chemical services with associated single or multi-compartment storage tanks or pressure vessels. The chemicals are transferred from the tank to the injection point by means of chemical injection pumps, while flow rates can be adjusted locally or remotely in order to ensure that the correct amount of chemicals is injected. Frames can advise on sparing philosophy for each application in order to optimize the design. Our systems can include flow, level and pressure instrumentation for local and/or remote indication.

Optionally, we can deliver a chemical injection system as part of an integrated solution, thus reducing onsite installation and commissioning time. Thanks to years of experience in designing and assembling equipment for flow assurance, Frames specialists offer the valuable know-how required for advising effective solutions. Our in-house multi-disciplinary engineering capability ensures that each chemical injection system is designed in accordance with client specifications and local legislation. Being supplier-independent, Frames is in an excellent position to select the best solutions, striking a balance between capital investment (CAPEX) and operating costs (OPEX).
Process Description

One of the main challenges in the upstream processes of the oil and gas industry is to protect pipeline and process equipment against waxes, scaling and asphalthane deposits. The engineering disciplines involved in flow assurance play an essential part in mapping the requirements that reduce or prevent loss of production due to pipeline or process equipment blockage. Frames Chemical Injection Systems play an effective role in optimizing flow assurance.

Production Chemical Injection

Frames Production Chemical Injection Systems guarantee that flow assurance requirements are met in pipeline and process equipment and optimize processes in production facilities. Typical flow assurance chemicals used include wax inhibitors, pour-point depressants, asphaltene inhibitors, and scale inhibitors.

In addition to flow assurance, Frames Chemical Injection Systems are also used to protect and prolong the lifetime of pipelines and process equipment by hindering agents that can create failure modes. Typical Frames packages are used for corrosion inhibitors, biocides, demulsifiers, and foam inhibitors.

(Produced) Water Treatment Chemical Injection

Crude oil and natural gas is generally extracted along with large amounts of produced water. In addition, the water/oil and water/gas ratio of modern extraction processes has been steadily increasing due to the implementation of secondary and tertiary extraction processes. Frames Chemical Injection Systems provide a convenient solution for adding chemicals to treat the water prior to discharge or reinjection into a reservoir. Our systems are used for a wide range of treatment chemicals, including biocides, antifoam agents, deoilers, demulsifiers, nitrate inhibitors, and (sodium) hypochlorites.

Hydrate Control

Hydrates are crystalline, ice-like structures that are formed under certain process conditions during the natural gas extraction. Hydrates attach to pipelines and equipment walls, and are capable of blocking the pathway in flow lines and other related gas handling equipment. In many processes, adding a chemical is an option reverted to when other solutions are commercially not viable. In such cases, Frames Chemical Injection Systems offer an efficient solution for injecting either methanol, MEG or LDHI / KHI.
**Project Management**

At Frames, we understand that success depends on sharp project management. As our client, we are driven to supporting your business, with our dedicated project team always on hand for one-on-one contact, providing you with the best possible service.

From concept through to design, production, testing and delivery, our project team will know your operating environment, and will use the latest technology to precisely meet your needs.

We are solution orientated, understand your industry and always use strict document control and professional planning to exercise tight process control and meet all delivery deadlines. Our global office network, international supply chain and partnerships with leading vendors mean we are always able to supply the best systems and meet all of the local requirements and regulations.

**Technical Details**

- Materials ranging from carbon steel to alloys, such as SS316(L), (super) duplex and titanium
- Piping designed to code, such as ANSI, fabrication to ASME Section IX
- Vessels designed to code, such as ASME / PED / PD5500 & National Board Registered as required
- Atmospheric tanks in cylindrical as well as multi/single compartment rectangular design
- Instrumentation tubing, also used as process piping in both twin-ferrule and cone-and-thread type
- Injection pressures up to 15,000 PSI / 1,034 bar(g) and flows from low l/h to high m³/h
- Experts on local legislations, such as PED, Ce, ATEX, Nema, Dosh, NR13
- Multi-headed and single-headed pump designs with flow control valves (IRCDs)
- API675/674 double diagram and plunger pump designs

**Added Value Frames**

- Frames solutions are custom-built for best performance in your actual operating conditions
- Being supplier-independent, Frames selects the best available components from a global network of supply partners
- Smart designs by Frames in-house multi-disciplinary engineering teams
- Process guarantee and single-point accountability for the complete design ensures client satisfaction
- Cost-effective modular design which results in low installation and operating costs

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