# **MOD R13: Replacement Procedure**

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# **Actuator Control - Manual**

Replacement Procedure on a Rotary Vane Actuator with a System using Power Gas





The purpose of this procedure is to guide the replacement of an Actuator Control with standard features.

This procedure is to be used in conjunction with the following Maintenance and Service Manuals.

Shafer Poppet Block Control Maintenance and Service Manual	Bulletin PBC-01102001
Shafer Hand Pump Maintenance and Service Manual	Bulletin MHP-01102001

- WARNING: 1. Turn power gas off (bleed down the power storage tank if applicable).
- 2. Drain oil out of the gas hydraulic tanks.

# Remove the Old Control Box and Hand Pump

- 1. Remove the piping to the power port and exhaust port (if existing) of the old control block.
- 2. Remove the two tube lines (OPEN and CLOSE) running from the control block to the top of the gas hydraulic tanks.
- 3. Remove the tube line going from the power storage tank to the control block, if applicable.
- 4. Remove the tube lines going from the top of hand pump to the actuator. (Typically with older models, the hand pump will be mounted on the opposite side of the actuator as the control box.)
- 5. Remove the hand pump suction lines going from the gas hydraulic tanks to the bottom of the hand pump.

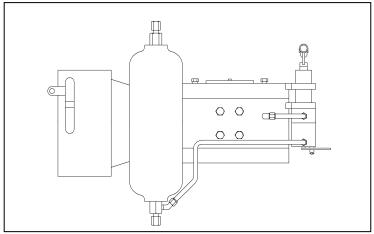


Figure 1: Typical Original Assembly

- 6. This should complete the pipe/tube connections and free the old control box and hand pump for removal. Remove the control box and hand pump. Set the old parts aside for reference.
- 7. Remove the Diffusers from the top of the gas hydraulic tanks and the drains from the bottom if applicable.

**Note:** Some gas hydraulic tanks may not have <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" or larger NPT thread in the bottom and will not accept the new style drain assembly. In this case new drain assemblies will not be included. On these models the suction lines for the hand pump enter the side of the tanks near the bottom and the bottom port remains plugged.

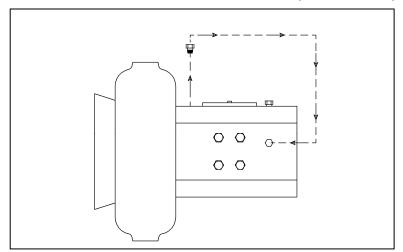


Figure 2: Old Components Removed

8. Remove the fittings in the side of the actuator that were tubed to the OPEN and CLOSE lines from the old hand pump. Also remove the plugs in the upper head on the control side. Clean the threads of the plugs, apply an appropriate pipe sealant and plug the side ports. (See Figure 2)

## **Install the New Control Box**

The new control box mounts to the same holes in the bracket on the gas hydraulic Tanks as the old one using 4" long standoffs. Look the new hardware over to enable identification of the parts.

- 1. Using 4 of the 8 mounting bolts and lock washers, install the four standoffs to the mounting bracket. Do not tighten the bolts. (See Figure 3)
- 2. With the other four mounting bolts and lock washers install the new control box using the 9.5" x 11.25" hole pattern in the control box back plate. Leave the bolts finger tight.

3. Tighten the mounting bolts in the bracket and then tighten the bolts in the back plate.

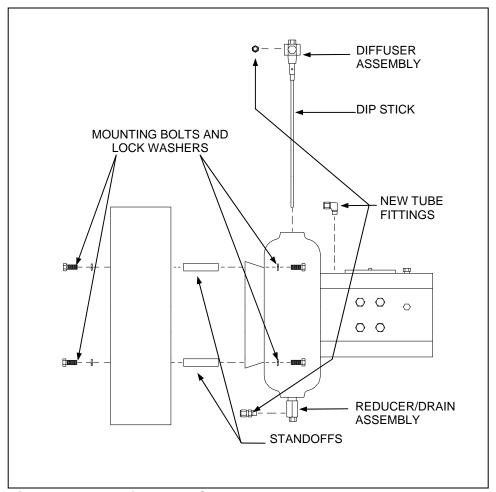


Figure 3: Installing New Control

- 4. Apply an appropriate pipe sealant and install the new Reducer/Drain Assembly in the bottom of the gas hydraulic tanks if applicable.
- 5. Assemble the dipsticks to the new Diffuser Assemblies. Apply an appropriate pipe sealant and install the Diffuser Assemblies in the top ports of the gas hydraulic tanks.
- 6. Install new Swagelok<sup>®</sup> fittings in the hand pump, actuator upper head, poppet block control and tanks. Apply an appropriate pipe sealant to the threads. (See Figures 3 and 4)
- 7. Run tubing from the bottom of the gas hydraulic tanks to the suction ports located at the bottom of the hand pump valve body. Right tank (CLOSE) to the right suction port and the left tank (OPEN) to the left suction port (as you are facing the new hand pump).

8. Run tubing from the discharge ports located on top of the hand pump valve body, or optional speed controls if applicable. The right side of the pump runs to the port on the right in the upper head of the actuator (as you are facing the new hand pump). The left side of the pump runs to the port on the left in the upper head of the actuator. (Make sure you are using the ports in the upper head closest to control box, not the ones on the far side see Figure 3).

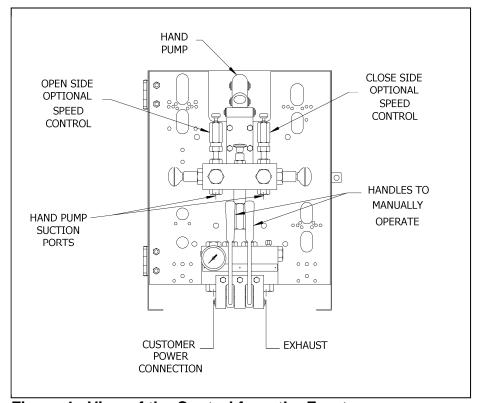


Figure 4: View of the Control from the Front

- 9. Run tubing from the CLOSE cylinder port of the poppet block control valve to the port in the diffuser assembly on top of the closing gas hydraulic tank. (See Figure 5)
- 10. Run tubing from the OPEN cylinder port of the poppet block control valve to the port in the diffuser assembly on top of the opening gas hydraulic tank.

**NOTE:** When facing the back of the control box the CLOSE cylinder port is on the left and the OPEN is on the right. (See Figure 5)

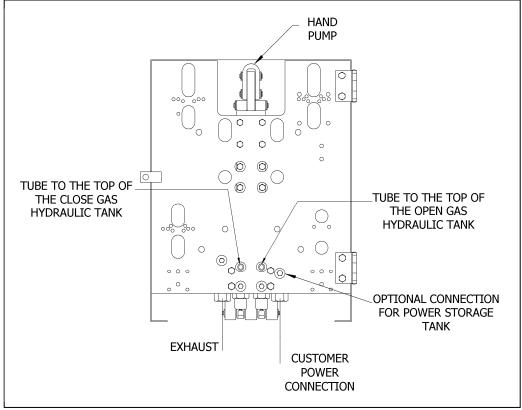


Figure 5: View of the Control from the Back

- 11. If an optional power storage tank is in use, find the optional connection for the power storage tank to the right of the OPEN cylinder port of the poppet block control valve, when facing the back of the control. (See Figure 5) Run tubing from this port to the top power storage as originally plumbed.
- 12. Replumb the customer power connection and replumb the exhaust, or install muffler, on the poppet block control valve.
- 13. Fill both of the gas hydraulic tanks to required operating level.
- 14. Use the hand pump to close or open the actuator to purge the actuator and hydraulic lines. To manually stroke the actuator, either open or closed, select the appropriate knob on the selector valve located on the hand pump. This knob is selected by pressing inward toward the pump center.

**Note:** The pump has a label designating which knob is open and close.

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- 15. Using the supplied pump handle, raise the hand pump clevis, which will draw hydraulic fluid into the pump. Pull the handle downward to discharge hydraulic fluid into the actuator. Repeat this process until the actuator reaches its end of stroke.
- 16. When the pumping cycle is completed, depress the manual relief valve located top center of the selector valve on the pump and pull the pump ram back into the pump body.
- 17. The automatic features of the control circuit can now be used.
- 18. The hand pump will automatically shift to neutral when either the OPEN tank or the CLOSE tank is pressurized during an automatic cycle of the control circuit.
- 19. Turn power gas on.
- 20. Stroke the actuator in both directions using power gas pressure and operating the manual handles on the poppet block control valve.
- 21. Leave the actuator in the desired position.

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