

The Next Generation of Switch Valves for Delayed Coking Service

Refinery Coking

The delayed coker process is a batch process, one of the most hostile environments in the refinery – due to the abrasive and erosive properties of the coke by-product – and crucial to a refinery's profitability. Valves are cycled frequently and failure can lead to a complete shutdown of a unit, resulting in large process and financial costs. Optimizing valve life-cycle is critical to operational efficiency.



Improve Availability

The quality of design reduces failure rates and increases reliability.

- High reliability run factors
- Most effective coker valve technology
- Continuous purging design prevents "coking up"
- Lowest life-cycle costs

Coker Valve Applications:

- Switch valve
- Four-way switch valve
- Drum overhead vapor line
- Feed and withdrawal lines
- Drum blowdown
- Heater isolation
- Cutting water isolation
- Safety relief valves isolation lines
- Drain and vent valves

Switch Valves for Coking Service

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Size	8″ – 18″	
Class	ANSI 9000 and ANSI 900 with 600 connections	
Material	A217 Gr. C12, F9, 347SS	
Stem packing	Belleville [®] -loaded Grafoil [®] , ISO 15848 Rate "B" Purged lantern rings	
Purge connections	Two inlet connections	
Option	Flanged connections available	



Coker Switch Valves Key Performance Features and Benefits

Design Features	Detail	Benefits	
Belleville® spring loading	• Excellent thermal compensation	Increases reliability	
	• Prevents coke migration into seat faces	 Increases reliability 	
	• No purge steam needed for seat loading	Lower emissions, enhancing process safety	
	• Eliminates pendulum motion of ball	 Inherent fire safety 	
Chromium carbide coatings	 Ball and seat are HVOF RiTech[®] spray coated 	Erosion-resistent	
	• Extreme wear resistance for cycling and consistent torques	 Increases cost savings on repair 	
	• Strong bonding in thermal cycling applications	Longer service life	
Three inlet purges	• Proper internal cavity flushing	• Prevents coking up	
		Reduces maintenance costs	
Spring pocket coke fines protection	 Graphite seals in spring pockets protects loading mechanisms in case of steam failure 	 Reliability in case of temporary steam loss 	

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