

## **Tungsten Carbide Coatings** For Hard Chrome Replacement

## **Service Information**

Curtiss-Wright Surface Technologies (CWST) High Velocity Oxygen Fuel (HVOF) tungsten carbide coatings can replace hard (electrolytic) chrome plate in demanding applications, such as aerospace landing gear, actuators and jet engine bearing applications.



Tungsten carbide coating

CWST HVOF tungsten carbide coatings are proven in demanding applications:

- Approved PWA military engines.
- Used in the Joint Strike Fighter.
- Various landing gear and actuator applications.
- Off angle spray applications. Coatings are applied to inside diameters up to 2.5 X the diameter size. For example, a cylinder ID 2 inches in diameter can be coated 5 inches deep.

## **Clear Advantages**

CWST HVOF tungsten carbide coatings deliver superior value as compared to hard chrome plate.

- Superior wear prevention performance.
- Superior corrosion protection performance.
- More environmentally friendly.
- Improved life performance over time.
- Can be more cost-effective.

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Landing gear



Coating Characteristics		
Description	HVOF tungsten carbide coating	Hard chrome plate
Macrohardness (Rc)	> 70	60-70
Microhardness (DPH 300)	> 1050	750-850
Bond strength	> 10,000 *	~ 6,000
Porosity	< 1%	Inherently cracked
Coating thickness (in)	> .003	< .005
Surface finish (Ra)	< 4	< 4

\*Results exceed strength limit of epoxy needed for tensile test

Performance Characteristics			
Description	HVOF tungsten carbide coating	Hard chrome plate	
Corrosion Test – ASTM B117 (hours)	720	55	
Surface temperature limits (F)	1025	750	



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Hard chrome plate

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