

Project Overview

FRP REPAIR OF FIRE DAMAGED ELECTRIC POWER STATION

Name: Tucson Electric Power (TEP)

Type: Power Station Location: Peoria, Arizona Completed: October 2008

PROBLEM

A section of the TEP station in Peoria, Arizona, was damaged by an explosion and fire. The affected section had a platform with the electric installations and was surrounded by a basin whose function was to capture dripping oil. The fire led to concrete damage particularly on the platform. Tests showed a significantly lower strength of the concrete due to the fire and spilt oil. Additionally it had lost its capacity to serve as a sealed basin. Bidirectional glass fiber was used to effectively seal the basin and recover the functionality of the plant.



SOLUTION

Before the application of the FRP, concrete surface preparation and repair had to be done. Eucocrete Supreme, SikaTop 123 Plus and Sikadur 32 Hi-Mod were used to fill cracks in the concrete and replace the spalled-off or damaged concrete. Then QuakeWrap® bidirectional carbon fiber was used to seal the basin. After the material was dry, a fire protection coat was applied on top of it and finally a layer of paint was applied as the last step.



Technical Highlights

- 1,600 square feet section including platform for generator and basin
- Concrete repair and sealing was required
- Bidirectional FRP glass fabric was applied as a sealing layer.
 Fire coating and paint were applied on top of the FRP.

Credits

General Contractor: Tucson Electric Power, AZ

