

Chevron Phillips Chemical Company LP

New Technology in Design, Materials & Processing

**ARM Rotational Molding Fall Conference
October 2018
Montreal, QC Canada**

Outline

- Machine – Persico Electric
- Mold – 5 Gallon Water Can
- Resins – MDPE & LDPE
- Design
- Processing
- Impact Data
- Conclusion

Persico Smart Machine



Machine Capabilities



- Electric heat
- Separate heating stages - Ramping, Set points
- Internal air temperature monitoring on every cycle
- Zone heating
- Air cool
- Maximum size – 59” x 78.8”
- Vacuum – reduce cycle time
- Internal air cool
- Multiple layers
- “Rock n Roll” or standard rotation
- Small foot print

Water Can



Designed by Chevron Phillips
Chemical Company's Plastic
Technical Center –
Bartlesville, OK

Five-gallon water tank
showcases exceptional
benefits in design, processing
and materials.

Design

Water Can
includes
two
ergonomic
handles

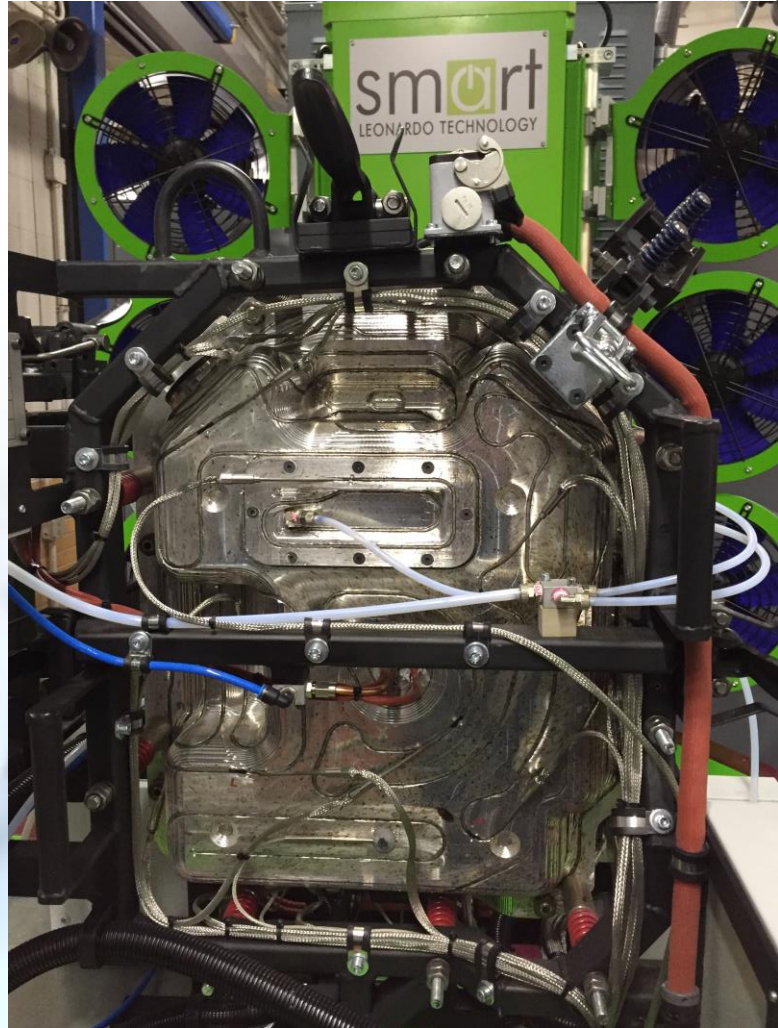
Center hole
adds
stiffness to
the tank

Center hole
allows
addition of
tanks to
A.T.V. spare
tire rack

Bottom
insert
allows
attachment
of spigot or
hose

Quick
disconnect
allows a
series of
tanks to be
filled with
one
connection

Water Can Mold



5 Gallon Water Can Mold

Vertical mold open
Easy part removal
No crane
Good ergonomics
Allows for manual
addition for multi
layers
Future automated
addition of materials
possible
Hinged system saves
parting lines



Mold Capabilities

- 10 Zones for heating
 - Sides / Top
 - Core
 - Inserts
 - Handles
- Vertical Swing for ergonomics
- Vacuum
- Internal air cooling
- Evaluate –
 - Mechanical properties
 - Flow
 - Inserts
 - Layer properties
 - Process savings

Materials (Continued)



The handles were molded with three layers, comprising of two layers of rotational molding grade, Marlex[®] 1007 Polyethylene sandwiching a third layer of Marlex[®] HMN TR-935 Polyethylene

The blue resin used in the tanks is MDPE, Marlex[®] HMN TR-935 Polyethylene with a density of 0.936 g/cc with a melt index of 6 g/10 minutes

Materials

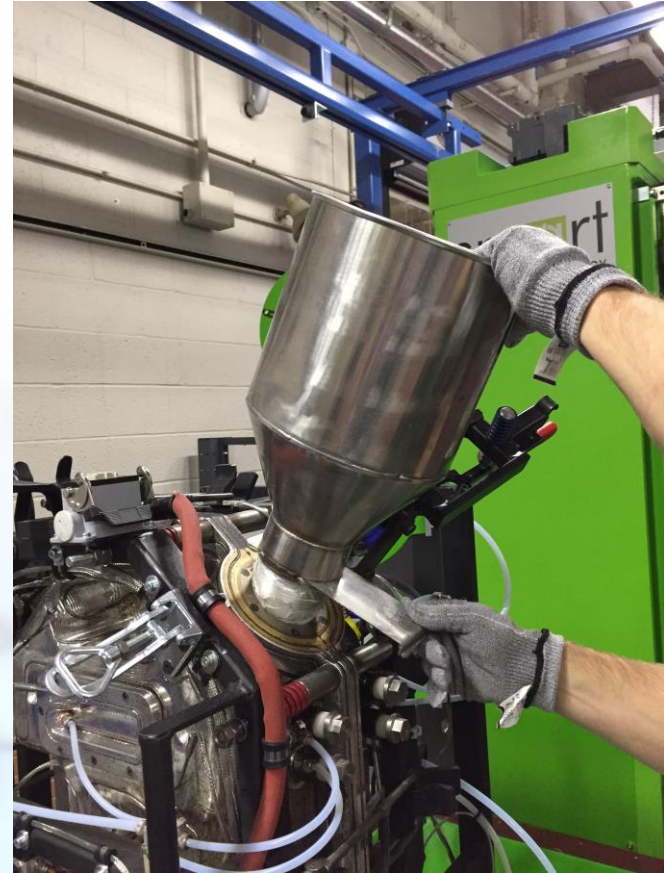
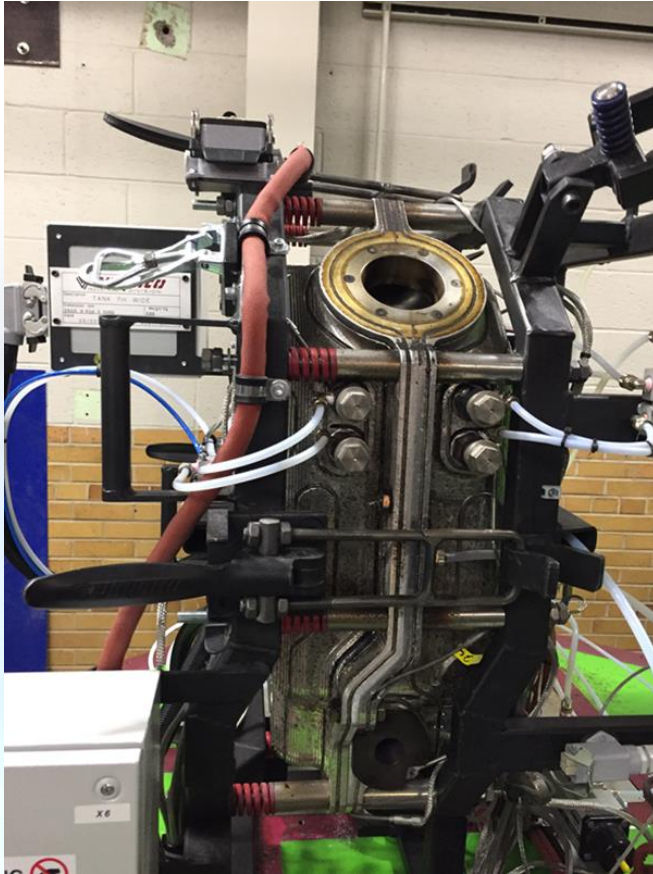
Marlex[®] 1007 (LDPE) has a density of 0.917 g/cc with a melt index of 7 g/10 minutes.

The colors were compounded, then pulverized by Spectra Colors using an Orenda[®] grinder **without Cryogenics!**

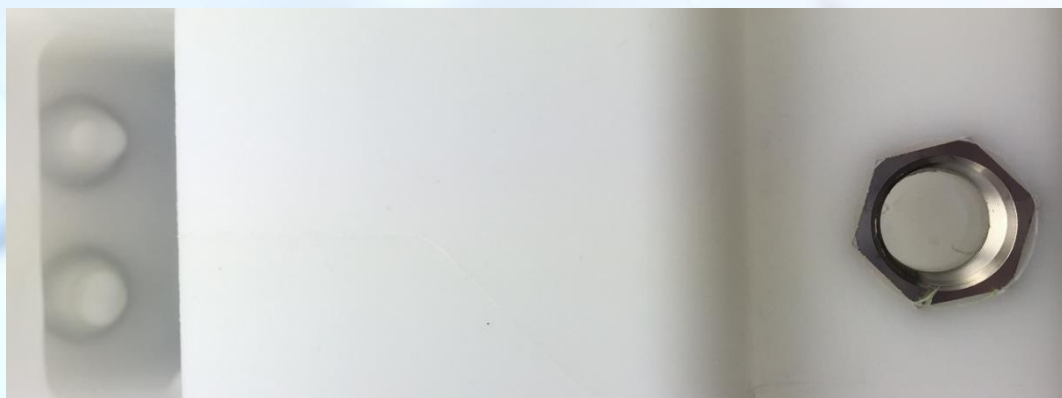
Natural Marlex[®] 1007 is a stable, polyethylene resin without antioxidants or UV additives, ensuring good taste and odor results.

Marlex[®] 1007 Polyethylene was compounded black & then molded as the outer layer of the handle.

Resin Addition



Inserts



Processing



Utilization of separate heating zones allowed use of different colors and materials in the handles

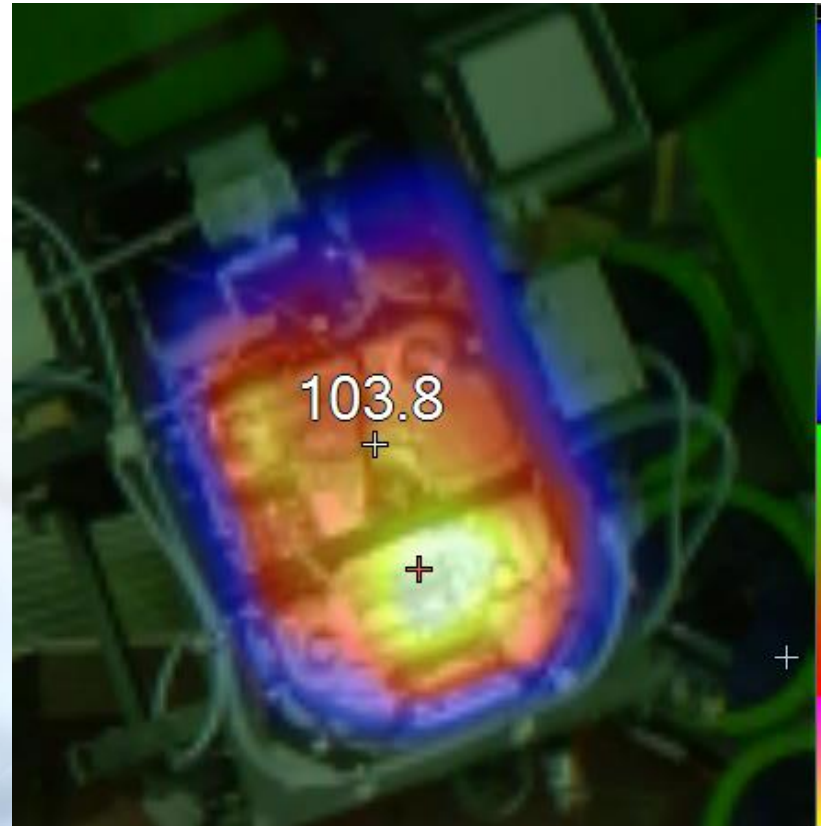
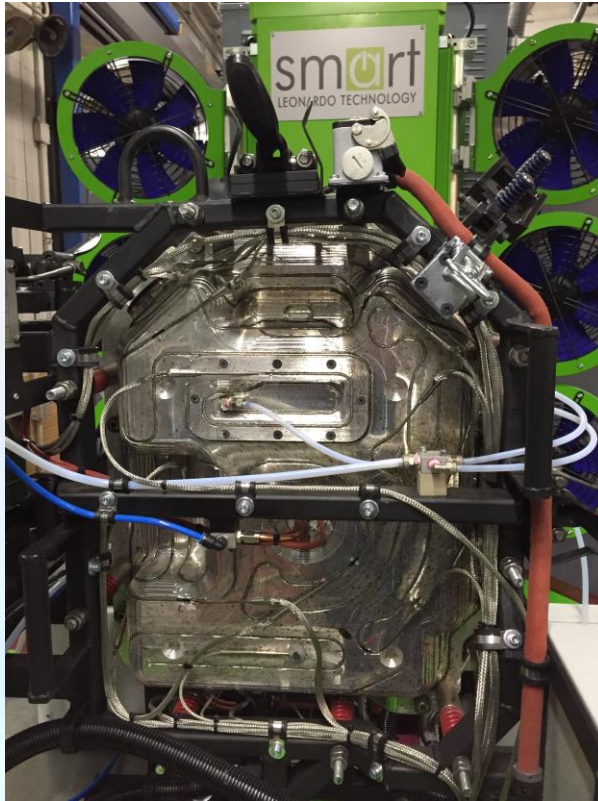
Separate heating zones allowed extra material to build on inserts without increasing overall wall thickness

Since the mold is electrically heated, multiple layers are easy to add

Molding is consistently monitored and controlled by the peak internal air temperature for precision throughout the seasons

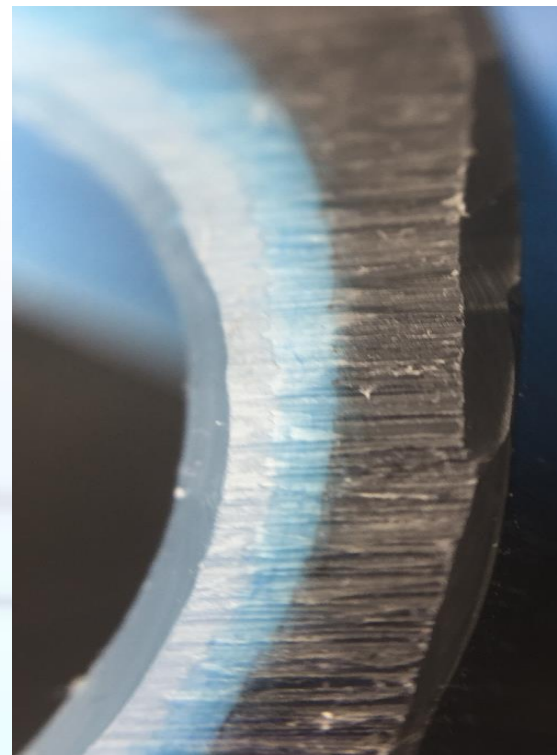
Each molding utilizes vacuum technology, reducing mold time by up to 20% per layer

Heat Zones



Multiple Layers

Layers



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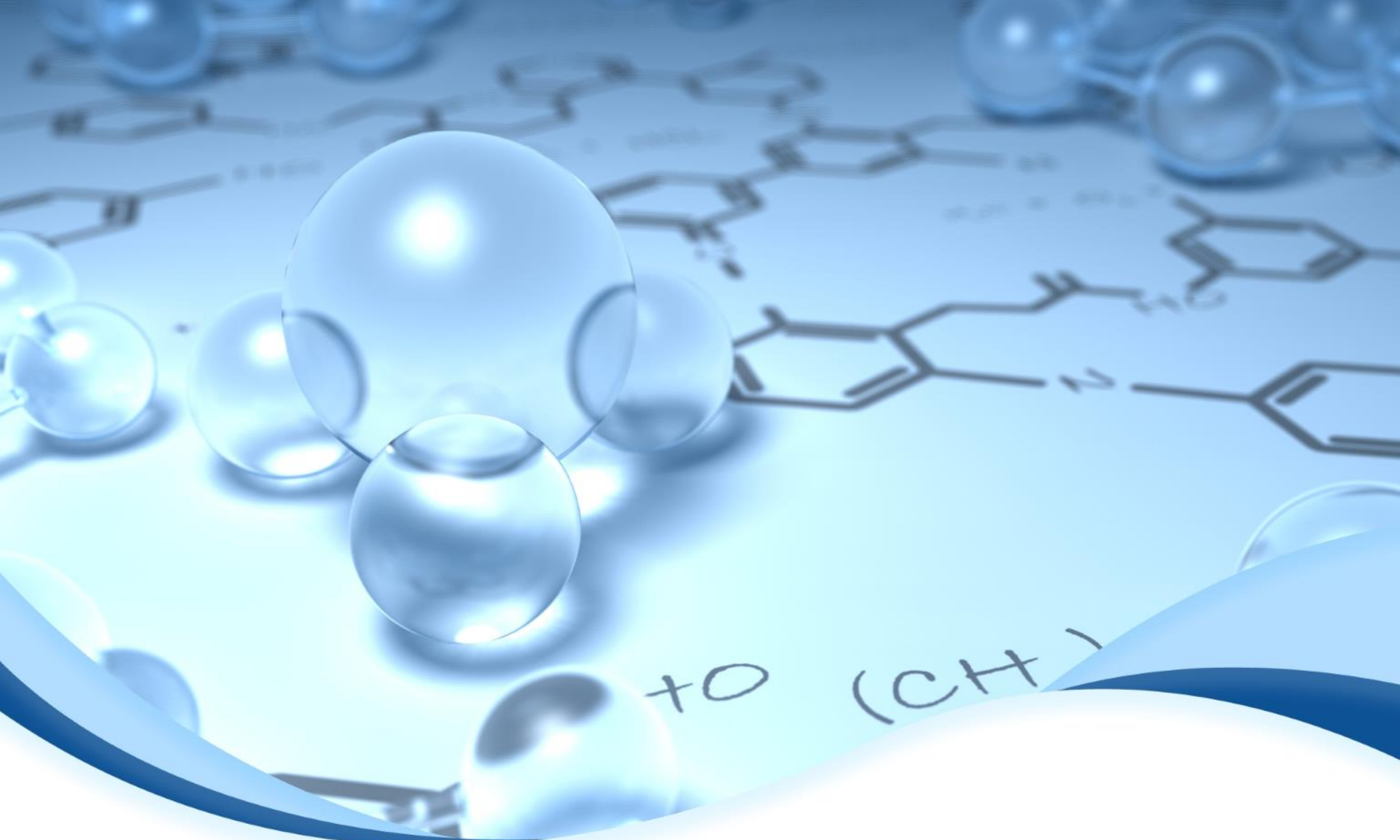


100 x 17.00 in



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