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Technical Bulletin

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Redline drawings as needed and include a TB reference note.
Document TB implementation schedule request and completion:

TB Number: Date Issued: Expiration Date: 096 Jan. 15, 2014 None

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Date Scheduled _____ Date Completed _____ Completed by (name) _____

Subject/Key Words:	Pump failures due to cavitation damage resulting from clogged pump protection filters						
Classification:	■ Informational		Mandator y		Safety Alert	Preventive Maintenance Impact	
	Warranty Impact		Purchase Parts		□ No Charge For Parts expires/ Reference this TB# when ordering NC parts.		

Issue:	Pump failures due to cavit filters	ation damage resulting fror	n clogged pump protection				
Symptoms:	Chronic pump rate low or high alarms, degraded process results						
Cause:	Clogging of pump protection filters: can occur after wafer breakage events, and resulting from phosphoric acid thermal cycling typically experienced during tank change-out.						
Solution:	To optimize pump life and operation – follow these Preventive Maintenance schedules: (When possible clean the filter by disassembling and flushing. Filter units that cannot be disassembled/separated must be replaced)						
	Protection filter Application	Service Task	Service Interval				
	After any wafer breakage	Inspect/clean/replace	(PM Cycle) Subsequent to every event				
	Processes not using chemical filters	Inspect/clean/replace	Monthly				
	Processes with in line chemical filters	Inspect/clean/replace	Quarterly				

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