

# **Pumps in Action**

## **Cosmetic Oil Based Slurry**

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Waukesha Cherry-Burrell\*

### Pump:

Waukesha Cherry-Burrell Brand - Universal 2 Series PD Pump

#### Industry:

Cosmetics Manufacturing

#### Problem:

Transferring abrasive, low viscosity product. The abrasive product caused excessive wear and pre-mature failure of the existing lobe style pumps.

In the production of an antiperspirant stick, a large cosmetics manufacturer had a problem moving an oil base slurry containing abrasive talc and aluminum chlorhydrate particles to a filler. In this application the pump continuously feeds product in a closed loop to the filler. The product is also heated at all times to prevent the solids from settling and solidifying.

#### Solution:

The Waukesha Model U2-030 pump with single mechanical seals was selected to replace the existing pumps for the application. The unique features of the External Circumferential Piston ("ECP") style rotors provide a long slip path which has proved to efficiently pump low viscosity product (50-500 cps) without allowing product to "slip" back through the tight clearances of the pump. The reduced slip minimized the erosive pump wear.

The selection of this WCB brand <u>U2-030</u> pump allowed the customer to maximize process uptime and minimize total cost of ownership.

