

# Case Study: GYLON EPIX® 3504 Global Beverage Company



# **INDUSTRY**

Food & Beverage

## **CUSTOMER**

Global Beverage Company

### **BACKGROUND**

This company is a global processor and provider of beverage products.

# **CHALLENGES FACE**

The customer's chemical treatment vessel has non-standard rectangular flanges with a limited number of bolts. The limited bolting resulted in inadequate compression to seal the gasket and the non-standard shape made the use of a molded engineered gasket unfeasible. When tested, expanded PTFE leaked. There was no alternative known at that time so the mess of crystalized leaking media was accepted as normal.

# **OPERATING CONDITIONS**

Temperature – 86°F (30°C) - 104°F (40°C) Application – Custom rectangular flange Media – Dilute Caustic Soda Pressure – 50 psig (3.5 bar-g)

### **SOLUTION AND BENEFITS**

GYLON EPIX® 3504 was installed in May of 2018 and continues to seal with no leaks as of November, 2019. The raised features of GYLON EPIX® and its availability in sheet form overcame the problems of limited bolting and the rectangular custom shape. GYLON EPIX® also helped eliminate caustic crystal build up.

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