Multistage Centrifugal Blowers

In order to meet all the requirements for air and gas applications, Ingersoll Rand provides a new generation of Hibon Multistage Centrifugal Blowers: a complementary solution to rotary lobe blowers and turbo compressors for users of vacuum and low pressure systems.

Operating Principle
Blowers are dynamic radial compressors. They build up a pressure by accelerating the fluid in a set of impellers and then decelerating the fluid by means of long-radius and high-efficiency diffusers.

By activating a valve located on the suction side, Hibon blowers’ special design allows for modulation of airflow while maintaining a constant pressure. The power consumption is thus in direct proportion to the required mass flow rate.

Benefits
Ingersoll Rand offers the benefits of the proper equipment solution that is economical and quiet.

Hibon’s flow versus pressure characteristic curve allows for a wide operating range down to 50% of flow rate, without surging.

Ingersoll Rand’s knowledgeable staff and our local manufacturers representatives are a valuable asset to every project.

With the addition of this new state-of-the-art technology, is a wide range of efficient solutions, all complying with the various operation requirements of each particular application. Multistage blowers are ideally suited for all operations where a variable flow at constant pressure is a definite requirement. The performance characteristics of these blowers generate a variable flow and power at a constant speed.
Applications

Designed to handle air or gas, Hibon blowers are used in the following applications:

• water treatment
• waste water treatment
• biogas recovering
• combustion air
• central vacuum cleaning
• fluidization and homogenization of silos
• liquids or baths aeration and agitation
• air knife drying
• galvanizing process
• gas compression for chemical and petro-chemical industries
• pulp and paper, printing industries
Hibon blowers are fabricated using the most advanced processes, with digital control machining for the highest precision level. Each unit is tested and a report is issued showing vibration data.

**Specific design features:**

- Blower inlet/outlet heads and intermediate sections are fabricated of cast iron ASTM A 48-30B (FGL 200) for an outstanding strength.
- Impellers are of cast or riveted aluminum alloy, depending on the flow characteristics required. They are statically and dynamically balanced for efficient operation without vibration.
- There are ample internal clearances, with no interference fitting surfaces, offering spark-free operation.
- Shaft is SAE 10-45 (XC 38) steel.
- Type C3 ball bearings are designed for 100,000 hours, AFBMA-B10 (NF ISO 281 LH10) service life. They are oil bath lubricated, by means of an advanced design factory preset lubricator, which assures a constant oil level for long service life.
- Bearing housings are fabricated of ASTM A 48-38B (FGL 200) cast iron, temperature-stabilized and precision-machined to ensure parallel alignment to the casing. Additionally, the housing is designed to prevent pressurization from the process air, thus eliminating any potential oil leaks.
- Carbon ring seals within the bearing housing reduce air leaks while improving compression efficiency.
- Compressed air/gas is guaranteed 100% oil free.
Construction features

High Efficiency
- Cast iron ASTM A 48-30B
- Large inlet guide vane on series 450 and above

High Efficiency
- Optimized ratios of impellers vs. diffuser diameter

Low Vibration
- Large turning radius of interstage channel

Low Vibration
- Cast aluminum or fabricated impellers statically and dynamically balanced

Long Life
- Cast iron ASTM A 48-30B
- Large inlet guide vane on series 450 and above

Low Vibration
- Minimum bearing span

Long Life
- Non-pressurized outboard bearing housing (no oil leakage)

High Efficiency
- Carbon ring seals (double carbon ring with purge upon request)

Heavy Duty
- Ball-type bearings rated at 100,000 hours

Easy Maintenance
- Outboard housing bearings

Typical Installation

1. Centrifugal blower
2. Diff. pressure indicator
3. Inlet silencer
4. Inlet valve
5. Flexible sleeve (inlet)
6. Flexible sleeve (outlet)
7. Check valve
8. Pressure gauge
9. Threaded flange
10. Motor
11. Temperature indicator
12. Surge by-pass valve motorized
13. Surge by-pass silencer
14. Inlet filter
15. Isolating valve
State of the Art Control Systems

Ingersoll Rand is an ISO 9001 certified company, quality-oriented throughout its operations, including its employees’ qualifications and production performance. Blowers are selected on the basis of characteristic curves that are validated on an automated ASME certified test bench. Curves are established utilizing the same software as used in aeronautics for airflow in aircraft turbines.

**Process and Instrumentation Diagram**

**Control System**

The functional design of each unit allows it to be equipped with a control panel using a programmable logic controller with an operator interface for a highly user-friendly operation. This control panel will accept inputs from instrumentation, such as RTD sensors, vibration switches, dissolved oxygen meters, and pressure transmitters.

In addition, the control panel monitors start/stop sequences. It allows for programming to automatically maintain constant air and gas flow rate, based on data from the operator or an external signal from the process controllers such as dissolved oxygen, pressure and temperature sensors.

A programmable controller is used with components that are commercially available. This controller operates with Hibon software, optimized and adapted for each particular application.
Packaging Options

Available Equipment Options:
- Double carbon ring seals with purge by an inert gas.
- Corrosion-resistant coatings for casing and impeller.
- Double enclosure housing for explosion-proof construction.
- Performance tested in accordance with the latest ASME PTC 10 standards.
- Variable Frequency Drive packages complete with Controls.

Range
Hibon blowers meet the most demanding industrial/municipal requirements for vibration, noise and efficiency. Hibon blowers can deliver 500 CFM to 25,000 CFM of dry/clean air without fluctuations, at pressures up to 20 psig (1.3 bar) and a vacuum up to 15 inches of mercury (500 mbar absolute).

Multistage Centrifugal Blower Flow and Pressure Range

Unit Assembly
Blower assembly is specifically designed to provide a compact and complete unit, with special attention to alignment of the motor/blower base assembly, for a vibration-free solution.

Many accessories are available to suit environmental and operating requirements, such as an inlet filter/silencer, a modulating inlet/discharge valve, flexible couplings, and check valves.

No special foundation or anchors are required for the unit, allowing it to advantageously replace any existing installation with a minimum of modifications.
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