

**Product Specification for a Water Cooled Gate Valve  
for the  
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(MPEX)**

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**ACRONYMS**

ORNL	Oak Ridge National Laboratory
TLA	Three Letter Acronym
MPEX	Material Plasma Exposure Experiment
TPO	Technical Project Officer
CAD	Computer Aided Design
ECH	Electron Cyclotron Heating
ICH	Ion Cyclotron Heating
PMI	Plasma Material Interaction
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
I&C	Instrumentation and Controls
P&ID	Piping and Instrumentation Design
STEP	Standard for the Exchange of Product Data

## 1 SCOPE

The specification describes the design requirements for a water cooled gate valve for the MPEX device.

## 2 INTERCONNECTION FEATURES

The water cooled gate valve must provide interconnection features compatible with DN275CF (Conflat) sealing features. The gate valve shall provide thirty (30) 3/8-24 tapped holes equally spaced on a 12.060" bolt circle on both sides. The bolt holes shall split the gate valve midplane. A four leak check grooves shall be added to each face: 2 along the midplane and two perpendicular to the midplane. The distance between the sealing surfaces shall be nominally 4.088" apart with parallel faces and concentric diameters within typical tolerances for standard gate valves of this size. Sealing features must meet the requirements in *ASTM E2734/E2734M Standard Specification for Dimensions of Knife-Edge Flanges*[1] and *MPEX-00-ENG-002-A2 Vacuum Handbook Appendix 2: Knife Edge Flange Definition*[2].

## 3 VACUUM PERFORMANCE

Leak rate in flanges:

- Conflat  $< 1 \times 10^{-10}$  mbar  $\text{ls}^{-1}$

Leak rate when sealed:

- Valve Body  $< 1 \times 10^{-8}$  mbar  $\text{ls}^{-1}$
- Valve Seat  $< 1 \times 10^{-8}$  mbar  $\text{ls}^{-1}$

## 4 MATERIALS

The gate valve body shall be constructed of Grade 316 Stainless Steel and meet the permeability requirements in the *MPEX Vacuum Handbook* [3]. Seals must not outgas beyond the limits of the *MPEX Vacuum Handbook*.

## 5 EXTERNAL ENVELOPE LIMITATIONS

The external features of the gate valve shall not exceed the envelope shown in Figure 1 below:

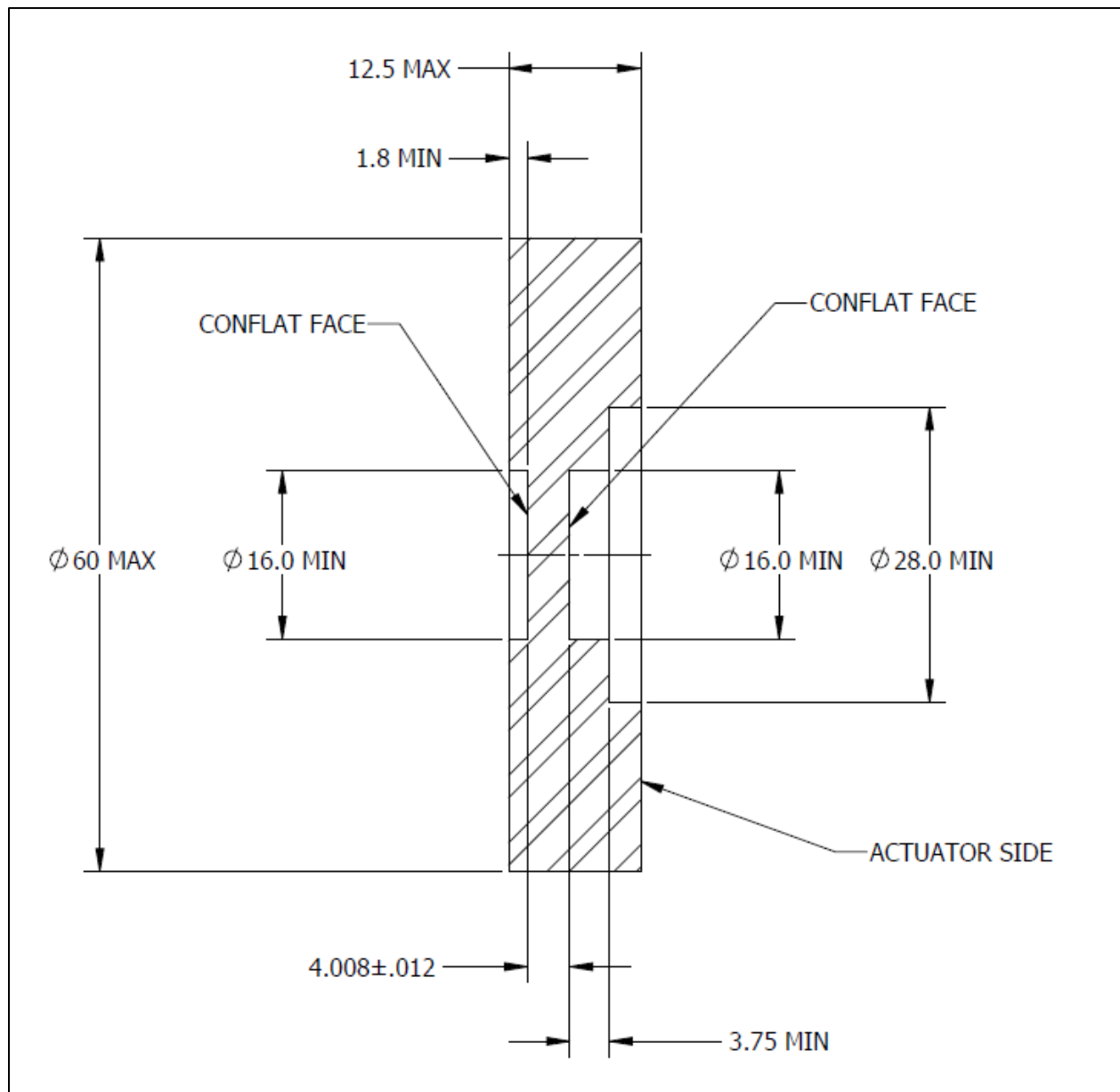


Figure 1: Envelope for Water Cooled Gate Valve

## **6 THERMAL PERFORMANCE**

### **6.1 HEAT REMOVAL**

The gate valve shall provide water cooling capable of removing 2.5 kW from the MPEX device while the gate valve is open to prevent damage to sealing surfaces and operating features of the gate valve. This heat load will only occur when the MPEX plasma is present, and the gate valve is in the open position. The cooling water supplied will be 85°F, 5 GPM, at 220 psig with an allowable pressure drop of up to 17psi.[4]. The 17 psi is nominal. If a greater pressure drop allowance is needed in the design, it must be reviewed and approved by the customer (ORNL).

### **6.2 WATER CONNECTIONS**

The gate valve shall provide ports for cooling water supply and return with standard 0.5 in MNPT Fittings [5]

Connections shall be located on the external face(s) of the Conflat flange, oriented radially on flange perimeter.

All water connections and passageways shall conform to ASTM E1003 for hydrostatic leak checking at 330 psig.

### **6.3 BAKE OUT**

The gate valve shall be able to operate with 150 C water continually flowing through the water channels as part of the MPEX Bakeout Process. All vacuum surfaces shall be allowed to reach 150 C. Critical components may be provided cooling via air or water upon request and review with the buyer.

## **7 CONTROLS**

The gate valve shall be capable of operating while in a 1.0 Tesla magnetic field.

The gate valve shall be controlled remotely by cables and hoses capable of connecting to the MPEX facility I&C system and pneumatics.

30 ft minimum of cable or hose shall be provided for each gate valve

The position of the gate valve, fully open, full closed, must be transmitted to the MPEX facility I&C system. Unless fully opened or closed, neither position should be transmitted.

## **8 TEST AND INSPECTION**

Documentation shall be provided verifying the performance and results of the following tests:

1. Vacuum Leak Check per Section 3.
2. Hydrostatic Leak Check per Section 6.2.



3. Completion of Bake Out per Section 6.3 and operation after cooling to ambient temperature.
4. Cyclic testing - Operation of the gate valve shall be verified and repeated for 100 opening and closing cycles.

## 9 REFERENCES

- [1] *ASTM E2734/E2734M Standard Specification for Dimensions of Knife-Edge Flanges*
- [2] *MPEX-00-ENG-002-A2 Vacuum Handbook Appendix 2: Knife Edge Flange Definition*
- [3] *MPEX-00-ENG-002 MPEX Vacuum Handbook*
- [4] *MPEX-04-ENG-003 MPEX Near-Device Water Client Parameter Summary*
- [5] *MPEX-04-PKG-501 Engineering Drawing Package for On-Device water Schematics*