



California Vehicle Fill Pipe Specifications

Proposed Amendments

May 23, 2018

How does fill pipe design impact overpressure?

Drain Hole

- 2015 CARB testing:
 - >1000 consumer fueling events
 - Certain vehicles frequently had high Vapor to Liquid (V/L)
- Capless fill pipes:
 - Drain Holes
- Capped fill pipes:
 - Deep locking lip requiring large force to latch nozzle
- Both capless and capped:
 - Items in access zone blocking nozzle sealing



Plans for Improvements

CHANGES TO THE SPECIFICATIONS

Collaboration with SAE and industry

- SAE Refueling Interface Task Force
 - Auto, nozzle, and fill pipe manufacturers
 - Assisted with developing many of the planned changes
 - Performed testing to support new standards and dimensions

Goal: Restrict Open Ports to Atmosphere

Proposed change: add performance standard

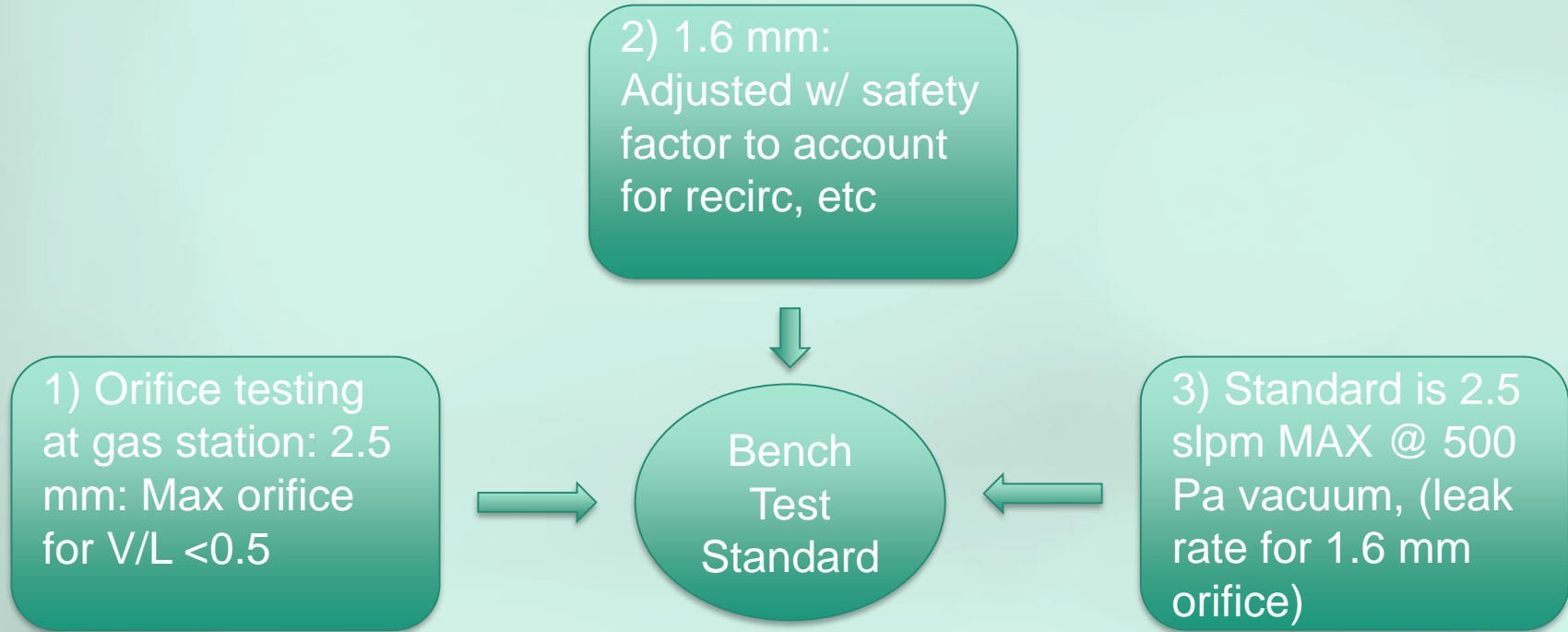
- Tests quality of nozzle seal to fill pipe (interface)
- Compliance method:
 - Bench test (surrogate to gas station testing)



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- Removed V/L and Zero-leak Attestation options: since no industry interest

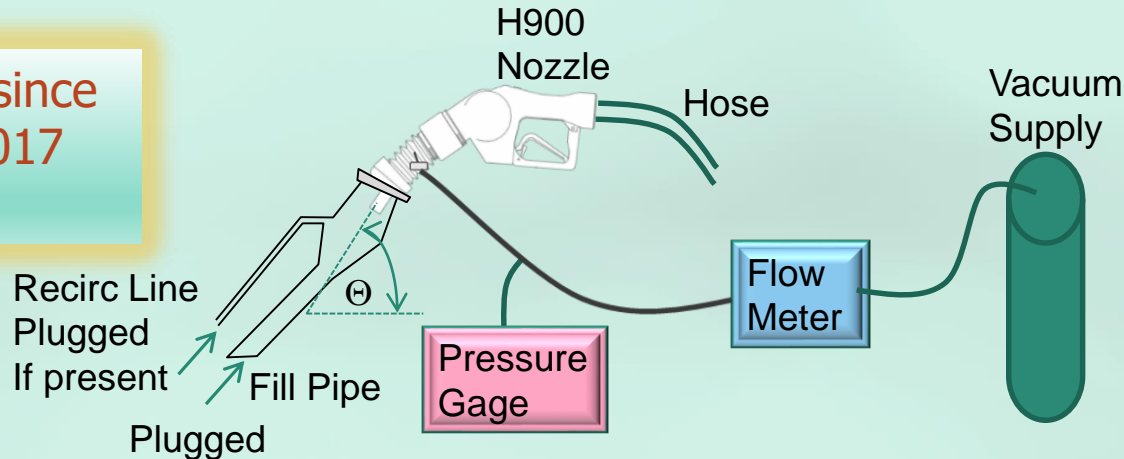
Summary: Bench Test Standard Development



CARB's Bench Test Method + Equipment

- Adjust vacuum supply: -500 Pascal @ pressure gage
- Output = leak rate in liters per minute @ flow meter
 - Compare with standard: 2.5 liters per minute

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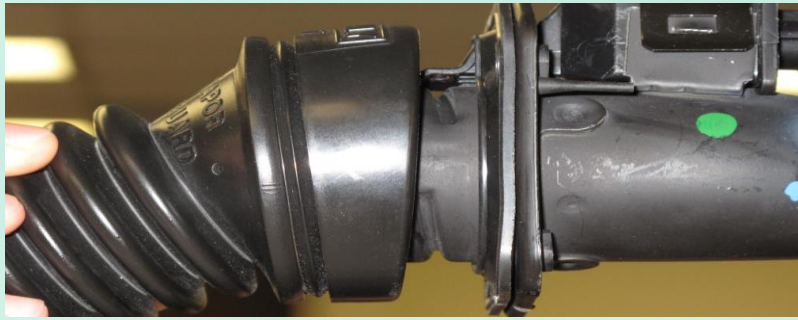


DIMENSIONAL CHANGES

Access Zone Update: Why its needed



Boot overlaps fill pipe

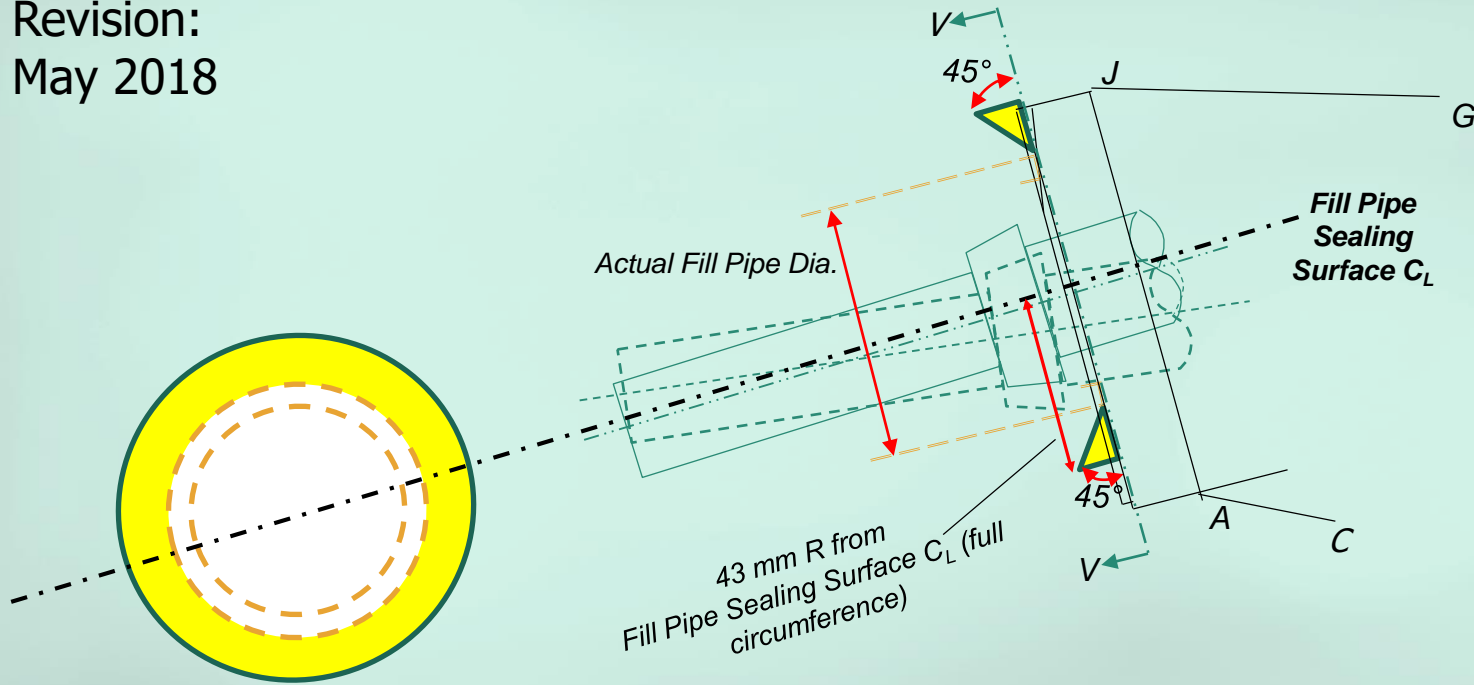


Access Zone Update Plan

- Clarify and improve fill pipe's access zone
 - To represent today's nozzles
- Adds to current access zone in ISO 13331
- Purpose of access zone:
 - Leave space on vehicle for nozzle insertion
- The change makes room for concave nozzle boot
 - Allows boot to overlap fill pipe
 - Enable boot to seal with fill pipe
- Working with SAE Refueling Interface Task Force

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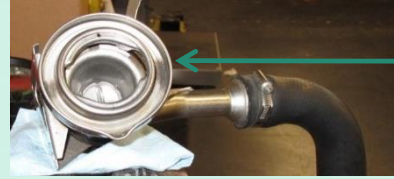
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Additional clearance to ISO 13331 access zone,
proposed by CARB

Access Zone Update will affect: Fill Pipe With Outer Ring

- A current design on some cars



Outer ring

Two different insertion scenarios:

1. Boot butts up against outer ring

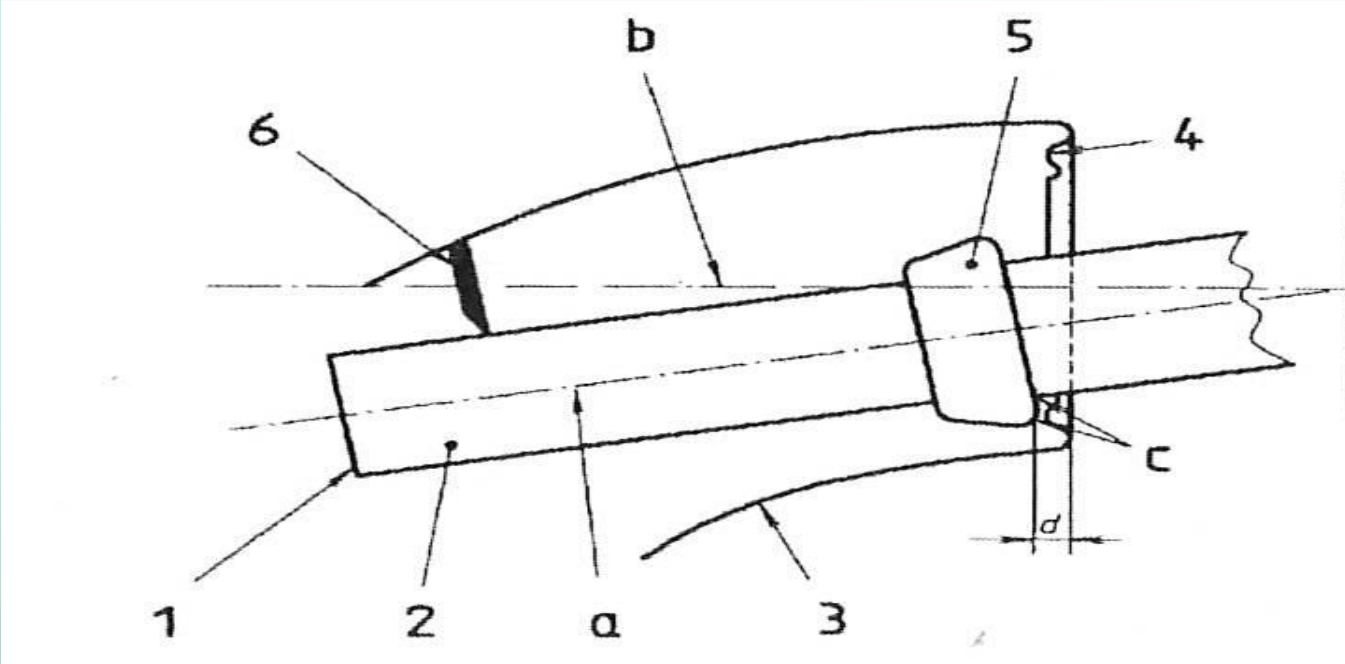


2. Boot fits within outer ring



- Operator dependent

Locking Lip Depth



Example: Latched Nozzle

Locking Lip Depth Update

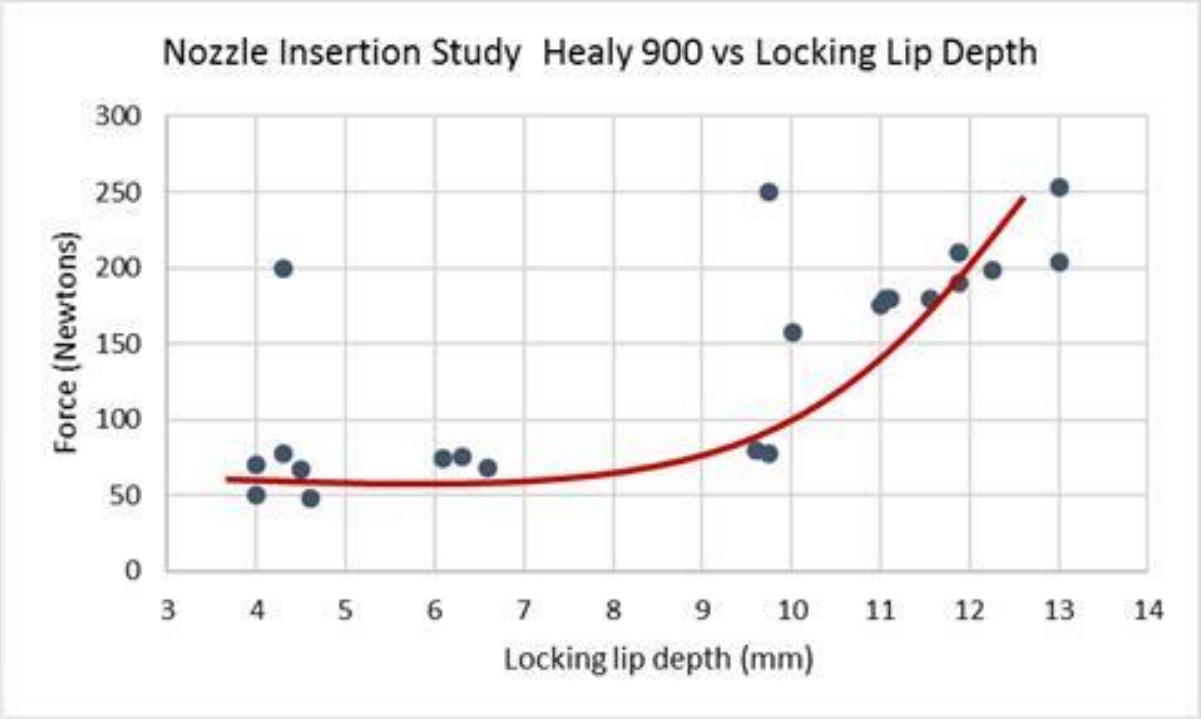
Goal: reduce “loose latching”

- Current: 4-13 mm
- Planned change: 4-10 mm
- Easier to latch nozzle
- Insertion force increases dramatically > 10 mm
- Source: SAE nozzle insertion study



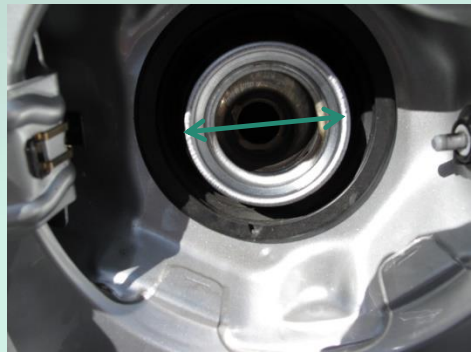
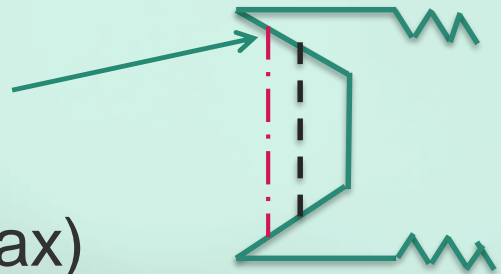
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SAE nozzle insertion study



Modify J1114's Alternate Shape

- Current Outer Diam. (OD) is too large (up to 61.6 mm)
- Results in about 1.7 mm of additional boot compression
 - Since contacts higher on conical boot
- Contributes to loose latching
- Proposal: Reduce OD to 57.9 mm (max)
 - Match with standard J1114
 - Very similar to ISO 13331



Proposing to bring back Spitback

- Used to be a CA requirement prior to 2014
- CARB aligned with US EPA in 2014 and removed
 - Basis: Current ORVR testing is sufficient
- This was a mistake, since ORVR is tested with a nozzle w/o vapor recovery
- Using both assist and balance type nozzles
 - For testing Spitback and Pre-Mature Shut-off

History:

Implementation

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- Proposed Phase-In*:

Model Year:	% of Fleet:
2022	25%
2023	50%
2024	100%

*Spitback effective MY 2022 on 100% of fleet

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 - Draft Proposed Regulation Language:
<https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/evap/evap.htm>
In the “What’s New” section
 - CARB current CA Fill Pipe Specifications:
<https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/onroad/cert/ldctp/ldctp.htm#fillpipe>