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## STRENGTH OF ULTRA BLUE RESTRAINTS CONFIRMED

JM Eagle's Ultra Blue C909 PVCO product is as strong at the joint as it was when it was introduced in North America in 1994, according to test results performed by one of its restraint suppliers.

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Undertaken in response to industry question over failure of a restraint in another manufacturer's pipe, the testing confirmed that Ultra Blue and its restraints are in proper working order. The extensive testing took place at the Ford Meter Box Co. facility in Pell City, Ala.

“Ford Meter Box is pleased to report it has successfully completed short-term hydrostatic testing of JM Eagle's Ultra Blue C909 PVCO pipe in sizes 6-inch through 12-inch and 16-inch with specifically recommended Ford joint restraint products that are suitable for PVCO,” said Sinjon Bradberry PE, the pipe product division's product engineering manager. “Specific Ford Meter Box restraints recommended for PVCO are available for the full size range of JM Eagle's C909 PVCO pipe. Maximum pressure ratings go up to 235

psi on the 6- through 12-inch pipe and 165 psi on 16-inch pipe with a 2:1 safety factor.”

Ford Meter Box hydro-tested 6-inch to 12-inch Ultra Blue C909 pressure to two times the working pressure of the pipe at 470 psi. It also hydro-tested the 16-inch Ultra Blue C909 pressure class 165 to two times the working pressure of the pipe at 330 psi.

“At JM Eagle, we always had complete confidence in the performance of our pipe, even at the highest pressure levels,” says Jeffrey Lee, JM Eagle western regional manager for waterworks sales. “These tests confirm that JM Eagle Ultra Blue PVCO pipe withstands the highest pressure levels with unparalleled strength.”



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