

Retractable Grounding Assembly RGA® **Competitive Product Analysis**

RGA® Comparison with Lightning Master Movable **Arm Grounding System (MAGS) Device**

Parameter	LEC RGA	MAGS	Notes
ATEX certification	Yes	No	LEC unit is tested and certified
ATEX Certification	105	140	LEC unit is tested and certified
CE certification	Yes	No	LEC unit is tested and certified
Location of manufacture	Nebraska, USA	Unknown	No further comment
ISO certification of manufacturer	Yes	Unknown	LEC unit is manufactured to ISO certifications
Year of business start	1971	1984	No further comment
Date of product introduction	1999	2013	LEC has more experience with this product and application
Meets API RP 545	Yes	No	Violates API 545 section 4.2.1.2.2, which states "bypass conductors shall be of the mini- mum length"
Length of conductor for half full 40 foot high tank	20 feet	40 feet	Length of conductor does not change
Length of conductor for full 40 foot high tank	Approximately 2 feet	40 feet	Length of conductor does not change
Existing users	PDVSA, PEMEX, ADNOC Takreer, Petroperu, Petrobras, ExxonMobil, Chevron, British Petroleum, Sunoco, Ineos and more *Additional references sites fur- nished upon request	Unknown	No further comment
Patented in USA	Yes	Patent pending	No further comment
Test history	Electrical impedance, wind durability, cold weather operation, snow/ice encapsulation	Unknown	The LEC RGA has been subjected to numerous testing programs.



RGA® comparison with ATECO Replica

Parameter	LEC RGA	Ateco Copy of RGA	Notes
Material of body and spring housing	316L stainless steel	Unknown type of stainless steel	316 has very high corrosion resistance
ATEX certification	Yes	No	LEC unit is tested and certified
CE certification	Yes	No	LEC unit is tested and certified
Location of manufacture	Nebraska, USA	Turkey	No further comment
ISO certification of manufacturer	Yes	Unknown	LEC unit is manufactured to ISO certifications
Conductor	Tin plated copper	Bare copper	Tinned conductor has superior corrosion resistance
Spring strength	Will retract 100% of cable length; confirmed by testing	Unknown	LEC has stronger spring and greater retraction force, judging from photographs
Year of business start	1971	2004	No further comment
Date of product introduction	1999	2012	LEC has more experience with this product and application
Meets API RP 545 resistance requirement	Yes	Unknown	No further comment
Existing users	PDVSA, PEMEX, ADNOC Takreer, Petroperu, Petrobras, ExxonMobil, Chevron, British Petroleum, Sunoco, Ineos and more *Additional refer- ences sites furnished upon request	Unknown	No further comment
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