



Thermoplastic Solutions

Greene Tweed recommends that back-up systems be used for pressures above 1,500 psi, dependent on temperature, extrusion gaps, and surfaces finish.

Anti-extrusion rings can be supplied in a wide variety of standard or special designs. Standard materials held in stock are listed on the right side of this page.

Arlon® (PEEK)

A high-strength, 482°F (250°C) thermoplastic capable of withstanding steam and the aggressive conditions found downhole, Arlon® resists virtually all organic and aqueous chemicals over a wide temperature range, with the exception of concentrated inorganic acids at high temperature.

Arlon® is highly wear resistant and tough while retaining its mechanical properties over a wide temperature range to 482°F (250°C). Greene Tweed supplies virgin grade Arlon® and grades reinforced with glass, carbon fiber, and TFE.

Greene Tweed has back-up systems working at up to 40,000 psi or more with its Greene Tweed seal configuration.

Re-enforced TFE

Chemically inert at elevated temperatures and pressures, reinforced TFE has outstanding resistance to nearly all oilfield environments. Temperatures from -450°F to 600°F (-268°C to 315°C) can be achieved; however, TFE has only fair resistance to deformation under load. Greene Tweed uses fillers such as graphite or glass fiber to improve TFE's resistance to cold flow.

