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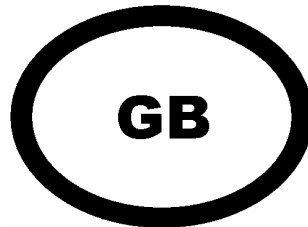
**Vapac**<sup>®</sup>

# **LEC Electrode Boiler Units**

## **Installation & Operation Manual**

Edition 1.1

**VapaNet**



### **Installation in countries covered by EC Directives:**

This product will meet the requirements of the Low Voltage Safety Directive 73 / 23 EEC and the EMC Directive 89 / 336 EEC when installed in accordance with the instructions contained in this manual.

Failure to comply with these instructions may invalidate the manufacturer's warranty or any certificate/declaration of conformance requested to be supplied with the unit.

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## Important Installation Points

The unit must be installed to comply with national regulations and/or codes of practice. A qualified electrician must carry this out.

Ensure at least 1000 mm clear front access to the electrical and steam sections.

Do not locate the cabinet where the ambient temperature around the unit could exceed 35° C; or fall below 5° C e.g., an unventilated roof mounted enclosure – see minimum space / ventilation requirements page 7.

Do not locate the cabinet where a ladder is required for service access as this could make servicing and cylinder service or exchange hazardous.

Make sure steam line(s) have adequate slope (min 12%) for condensate drainage and use condensate separators if the pipe is lower than the unit.

Provide adequate support to prevent sags developing in flexible steam lines, which can fill with water and create a "trap".

Do not locate vented drain directly under the cabinet.

## Important Electrical Connection Items

Before commissioning the unit, check that all electrical (power) connections - including those at the terminals and contactor are tight.

Check that the transformer primary winding connection is correct for the supply voltage at Vapac terminals A1 & A2.

The Vapac transformer must not be used to power other equipment.

To comply with EMC aspects see recommendations on page 10.

Use a high-limit humidistat to ensure positive interruption of unit operation when over-humidification is detected (See page 17).

It is important that the control signal connected to terminals 5 & 6 must be referenced to ground at the control PCB – this can be done by linking either terminal 5 or 6 to terminal 7.

NB if the controller output is referenced to ground, it is important that the "leg" which is connected to ground at the controller is also connected to ground at the Vapac unit. Grounding the opposite "leg" will cause damage to the controller and/or the Vapac control PCB.

## Important Maintenance Items

Only a qualified electrician should carry out maintenance.

The boiler contains hot water, and must be drained before any maintenance is carried out on the steam section. This should be done prior to isolating the power, and removing the front access panel

**ESD SENSITIVE DEVICES USED ON PCB. ENSURE ANTI-STATIC PRECAUTIONS ARE TAKEN WHEN REMOVING OR REPLACING PCB'S.**

## 1.0 Installation.

### Do's

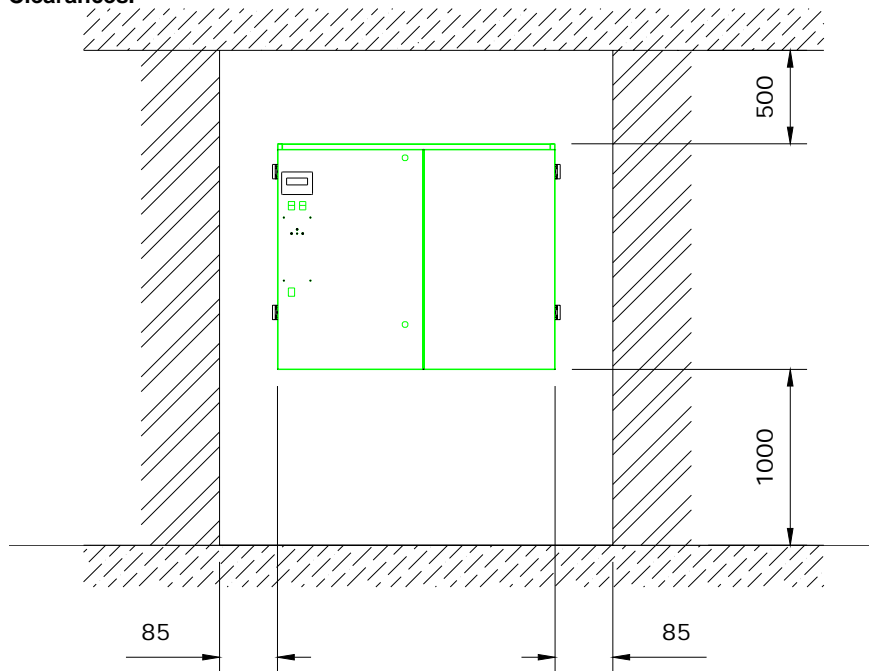
- Do** mount the unit as close to the steam distribution pipe(s) as possible.
- Do** mount the unit at a height convenient for reading the display window.
- Do** ensure adequate side ventilation (min 80 mm).
- Do** ensure adequate service access to the front of the unit (min 1000 mm).
- Do** ensure adequate service access below the unit (min 1000 mm).
- Do** ensure that the holes in the rear top panel remain unobstructed to allow a free flow of air see fig 1.
- Do** use the marking on the side of the carton as a template to mark the mounting hole positions.
- Do** remove the cylinder, if necessary, to access the mounting holes in the back of the steam section.
- Do** use M6 projecting type wall bolts or equivalent to mount the unit in position.

### Don'ts

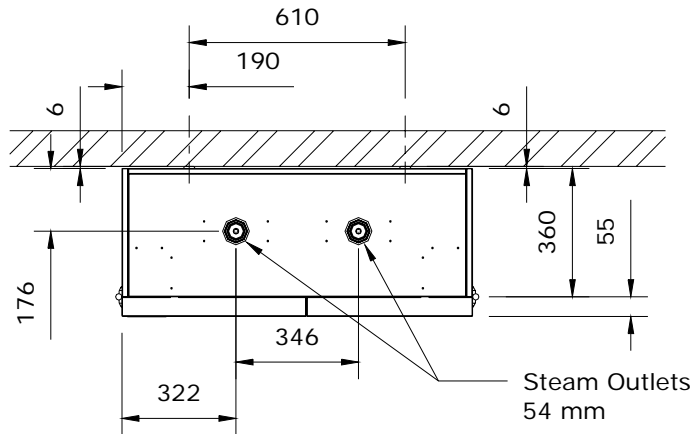
- Don't** mount the unit close to sources of strong electromagnetic emissions e.g. variable speed lift motor drives, kVa transformers etc.
- Don't** mount the unit in an unventilated enclosure.
- Don't** mount in a position requiring ladder access to the unit.
- Don't** mount the unit behind a false ceiling or other situation where an unusual malfunction (e.g. water leak) would cause damage.
- Don't** mount the unit in an area which will be hosed down.
- Don't** install the unit where the ambient temperature can exceed 35°C; or fall below 5°C.
- Don't** mount the unit inside a cold-room or other place where temperature and humidity conditions can cause condensation on electrical components.
- Don't** mount the unit where the sound of a contactor opening/closing and water flow in a pipe would be unacceptable e.g. libraries, private apartments, etc.

## 1.1 Vapac LE unit dimensions

### Cabinet Sz 4 (5 – 45 kg/h Models) Minimum Clearances.

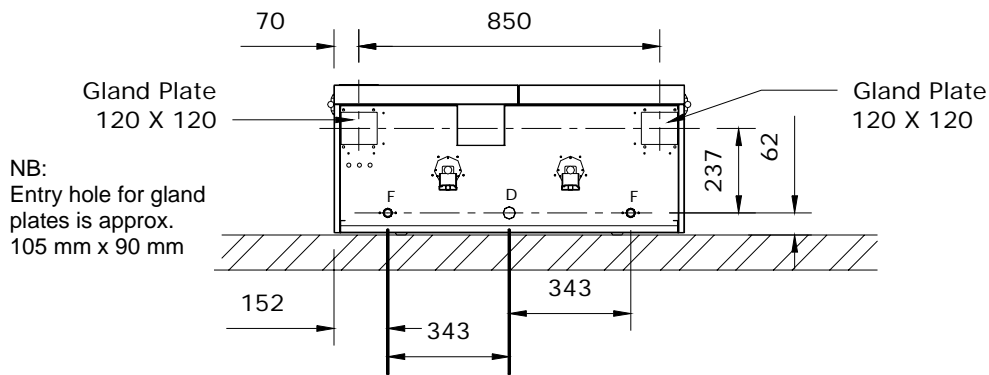
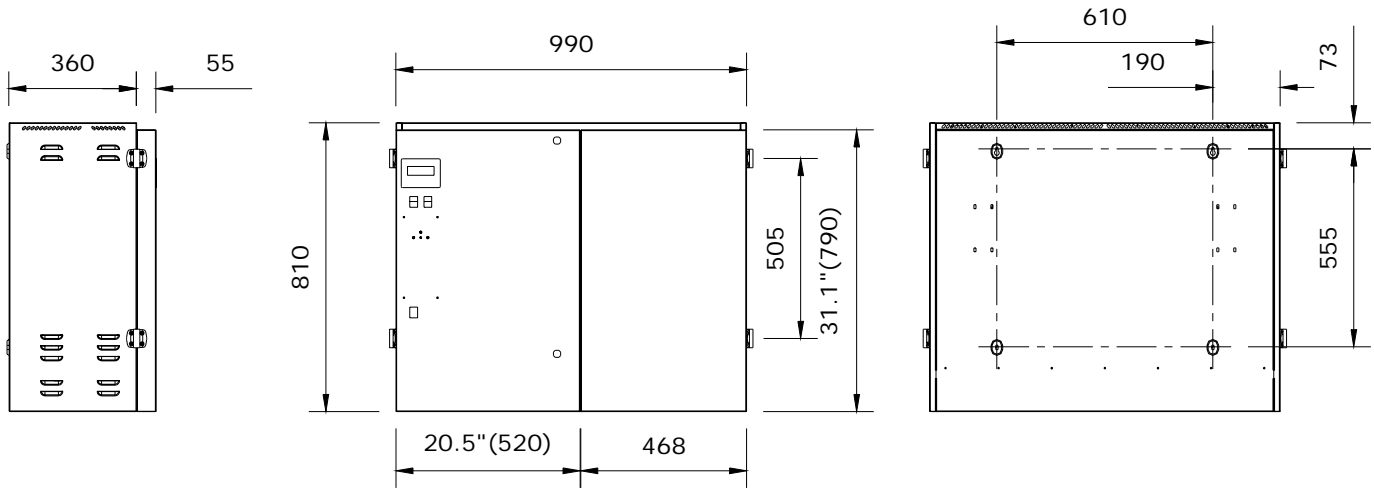


Cabinet Sz 4 (5 – 45 kg/h Models)



Left:  
Top View Showing Steam  
O/let position

Below: Rear View  
showing wall mounting  
points.



Left:  
Bottom View Showing  
"F" (Feed connection) 3/4"  
BSP male connection for  
flexible hose provided  
with unit.  
"D" (Drain connection)  
35 mm pipe.

For clearance around the unit for ventilation and access see page 7

**1.1.1 LEC weights**

The unit dry weight is the delivered unit with no water in unit, the wet weight is the operational weight when the unit is running .

Vapanet model	Dry Kg	Wet Kg
LEC05	68	96
LEC09	71	100
LEC18	72	125
LEC30	74	127
LEC45	75	128

**1.2 Positioning the steam pipes**

**1.2.1 General**

Steam pipes should be positioned as shown below, allowing a minimum rate of fall back to the unit of 12% to allow the free flow of condensate back to the unit. If the above fall is not possible, then condensate separators must be fitted as shown in appendix 1.

The position of the steam pipe or multipipe in a air-conditioning system relative to other items such as bends, filters, heat exchangers, etc., is critical. The steam pipe must not be located closer to such item, than the entrainment distance, and must be decided by the design engineer responsible for the project.

**Do's**

- Do** obtain project engineer's instruction/drawing for chosen location of pipe
- Do** obtain project engineer's instruction/drawing for pipe position relative to the top & bottom of the duct (or sides if airflow is vertical).
- Do** check if alternative slope of Ø35mm pipe has been specified.
- Do** use bracket/lug on the end of Ø54mm pipes for extra support.

**1.2.2 Steam Hose Connection**

**Do's**

- Do** use Vapac steam hose or well insulated copper pipe.
- Do** keep steam hose as short as possible (under 2m for max efficiency).
- Do** arrange to have a vertical rise immediately over the unit of 300mm.
- Do** use the full height available between the unit and steam pipe to provide maximum slope (min 12-20% for condensate to drain back to the steam cylinder (or down to a condensate separator). Always provide a continuous slope.
- Do** provide adequate support to prevent sagging
  - a) fit pipe clips every 30-50cm
  - or b) support straight lengths on cable trays or in heat resistant plastic pipe.

**Do** ensure radius hose bends are fully supported to prevent kinks developing when in service.

**Do** add extra insulation to steam hose for longer runs (2m-5m) and in cold ambient conditions to avoid excess condensate and reduction in delivered output.

**Don'ts**

**Don't** allow steam hose to develop kinks or sags.  
**Don't** include horizontal runs or 90° elbows in the steam line.

Steam Distribution Pipe requirement		
Electrode Boiler Unit Model	LEC05 LEC09 LEC18	LEC30 LEC45
35mm Ø Pipe No.	2	-
54mm Ø Pipe No.	-	2
*Duct Pressure Pa.	+2000 -600	

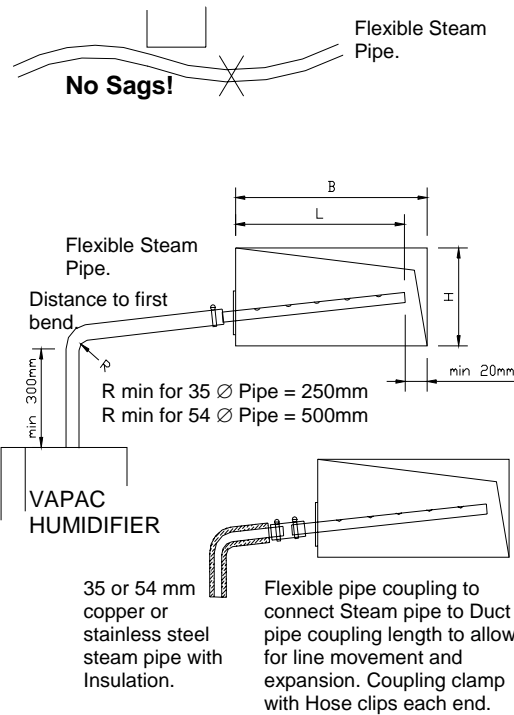


Fig 6

35mm Ø Pipe Selection		54mm Ø Pipe Selection	
Duct width B mm	In-duct Length L mm	Duct width B mm	In-duct Length L mm
320-470	300		
470-620	450		
620-770	600		
770-920	750	700-950	650 (1.8)
920-1070	900	950-1450	900 (2.2)
1070-1200	1050	1450+	1400 (3.2)

**For guidance on positioning of steam pipes see Appendix 1.  
 For guidance on use of Multipipes see Appendix 2.**

### 1.3 Plumbing Considerations.

#### 1.3.1 Cold water supply.

##### General

The Vapanet range of electrode boilers is capable of operating with a range of "raw mains" water quality. The water supply should be within the following limits:-

<b>Hardness</b>	<b>50 – 500 ppm</b>
<b>Conductivity</b>	<b>80 – 1000µS</b>
<b>PH</b>	<b>7.3 – 8.0</b>
<b>Silica</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Pressure of between</b>	<b>1 - 8 bar.</b>

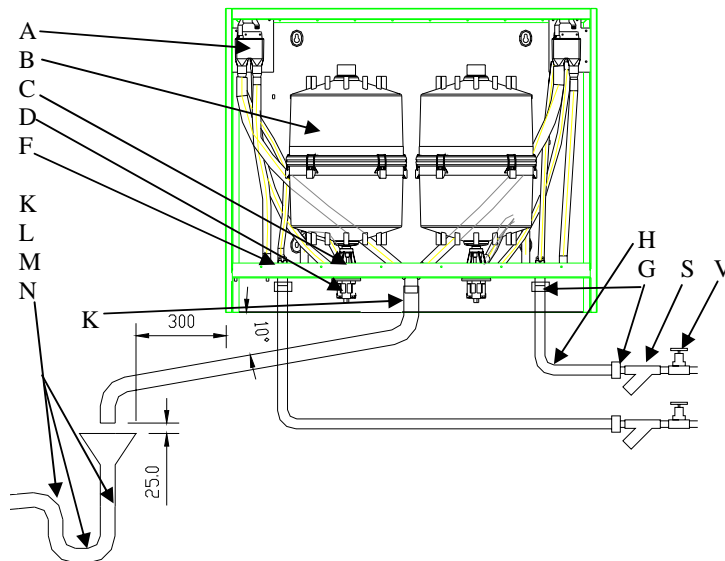
In addition, if stainless steel electrodes are used the chlorine level must not exceed 170 ppm.

Water Supply rates per cylinder		
1.20 l/min	LEC05	2 Cylinder per unit
1.20 l/min	LEC09	2 Cylinder per unit
1.20 l/min	LEC18	2 Cylinder per unit
2.50 l/min	LEC30	2 Cylinder per unit
2.50 l/min	LEC45	2 Cylinder per unit

##### Do's

- Do** install a stop-valve/Shut-off valve and a strainer close to the unit.
- Do** provide a water supply with sufficient pressure and pipe size to ensure an adequate flow rate to all units connected to the system.
- Do** use the water connection with nylon nut provided.

ALL Dimensions in mm



LEC Twin Cylinder Units 5-45 kg/h

##### Don'ts

- Don't** use a wrench or other tool to tighten the water supply connection - the nylon nut and rubber washer provided, should only require tightening by hand to effect a seal. If water seepage occurs, undo the nut to wipe the washer clean and re-seat it.

#### 1.3.2 Drain connection.

##### General

##### Do's

- Do** ensure metal drain and supply water pipework is grounded electrically close to the unit (a ground/earth stud is positioned on the underside of the cabinet).

<b>Drain capacity per cylinder</b>	= pump discharge rate of max 16.8 l/min at 50 Hz.
<b>Power supply</b>	17.2 l/min at 60 Hz.

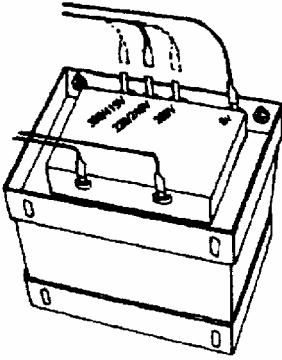
##### Do's

- Do** use copper or plastic pipe rated for 110 °C.
- Do** arrange to discharge drain water from the unit into a trapped and vented drain at a position where flash steam rising from the drain line vent will not pose a problem for the Vapac or other equipment.
- Do** provide adequate fall for the drain pipework to allow free flow of water drained from each unit.
- Do** ensure drain line pipe size will accommodate water being drained at the same time from all the Vapac units which are connected to it.

KEY: -

- A Tundish Fill-cup
- B Steam Cylinder
- C Feed Drain Manifold
- D Drain Pump
- F Feed Solenoid Valve
- G Water Connection 3/4" BSP.
- H Flexible hose 3/4" BSP.
- K 35Ø Steam Hose coupling and Hose Clips.
- L 35Ø copper or plastic Drain for 110°C Water with supports.
- M Tundish
- N U-trap side exit.
- S Optional Strainer
- V Isolation stop cock

1.4 Electrical Connections



**Important Power Connection Information**

Vapac 24V and 9 V secondary Transformer Primary supply connections: Vapac units are wired to allow connection to alternative site Voltages. Make the following simple checks before connecting the power supply:- Move the RED connection on the VAPANET transformer primary winding circuit to the position marked with the supply Voltage that is to be connected between VAPANET power terminals A1 and A2. The transformer primary circuit terminal positions are clearly marked:- 200V, 230V, 380, 415 & 440V. If the actual (measured) site voltage is 400v the preferred tapping is 380V. The transformer is fitted below the Drain tray, and is accessible by removing two screws and the cover, which should be slid it towards you.

- Note:**
- 24 V a.c. Control circuit - 6.3 A 20 mm (T – Time Lag) fuse (Pt.No. 1080093)\_mounted on VAPANET Echelon PCB (Pt.No.1150630).
  - 9 V a.c. PCB Circuit - 2 A 20 mm (F - Quick blow) fuse (Pt No. 1080099) mounted on the VAPANET Echelon PCB (Pt, No. 1150630).
  - Transformer Primary Circuit - Two fuses protect the control circuit on Single cylinder units F1 2.0A (slow blow) (Pt. No. 1080095) mounted in fuse-terminal holder protects Primary transformer and RDU unit if fitted. F2 500 mA 20 mm (F - Quick blow) fuse (Pt No. 1080054) mounted in fuse-terminal holder protects Transformer Primary and Pump or both pumps if two pumps are fitted.
  - 230V ac Pump Supply. - The pump or pumps on twin cylinder units are fed from the main transformer via a 230 volt auto winding. The pumps are protected by fuse F1 and F2 above feeding the transformer primary.

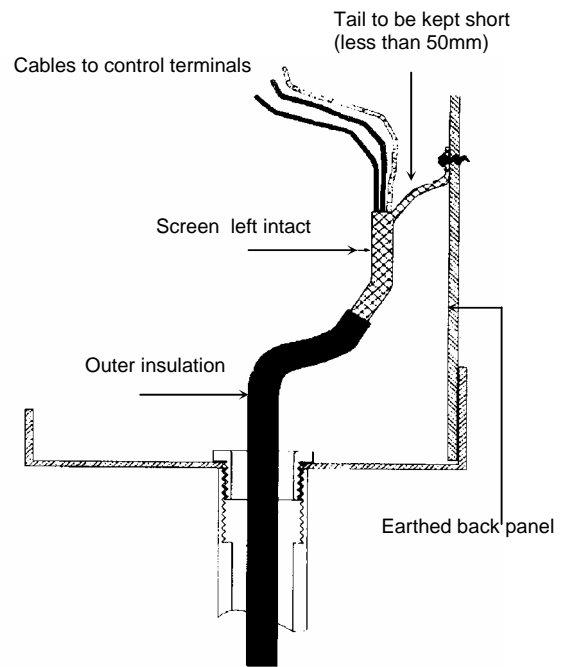
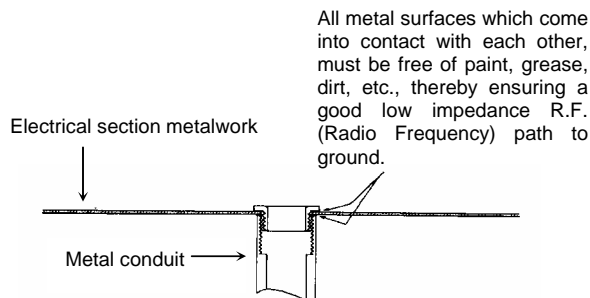
**Control Cable / Security Circuit Screening Arrangement**

1.4.1 Important E.M.C. Considerations

Use a dedicated, earthed metal conduit for both the control signal cable and the security circuit cables along their entire length - they may share the same conduit where practicable. The earth must be made by "metal-to-metal" contact and should be a good RF (Radio Frequency) earth.

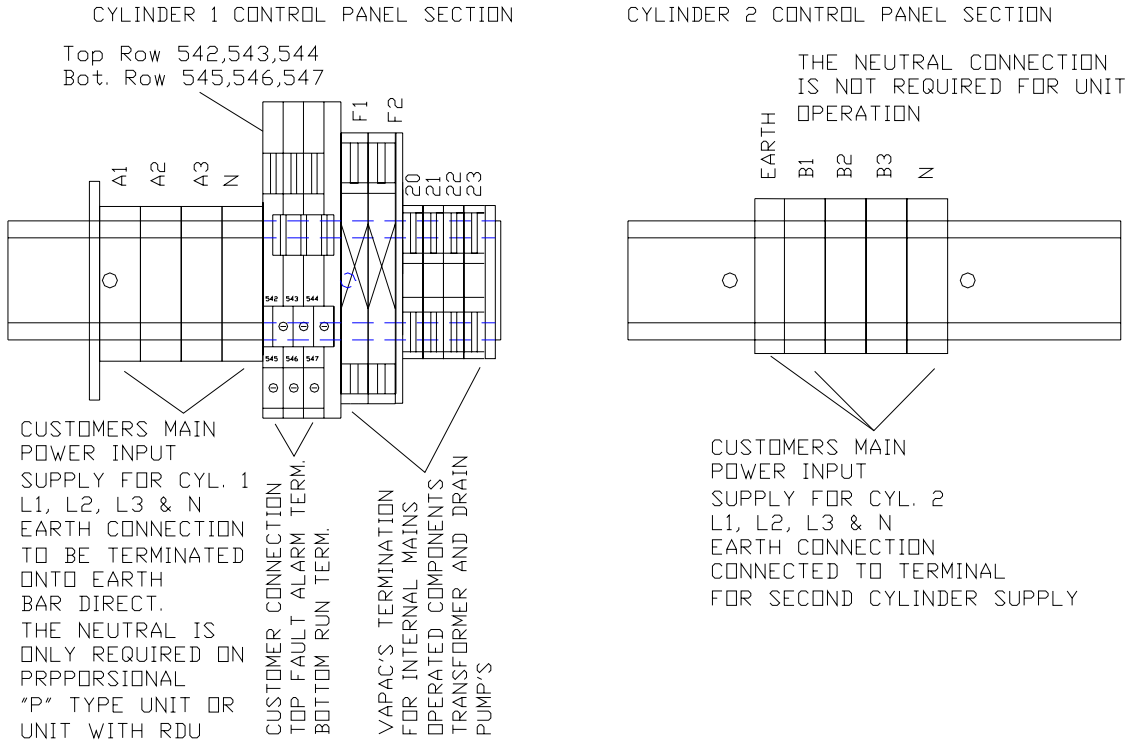
The control and security circuit connections should be run in screened cable with the screen grounded at the VAPANET end (onto the electrical section back panel). The screen should be maintained as close as possible to the cable ends and any tail between the screen and the earth point must be kept short (50 mm maximum).

**Control Cable / Security Circuit Conduit Entry Arrangement**



### 1.4.2 Power Supply Connection

The unit requires the following connections as shown in the diagram below



#### 1.4.2.1 Volt free alarm outputs

The unit has connections for volt free alarm outputs these are on the three double terminals next to the main power input terminals.

The top terminals are for unit volt free fault alarm as follows:

- 542 common for fault alarm
- 543 Normally closed when no fault
- 544 Normally open when no fault

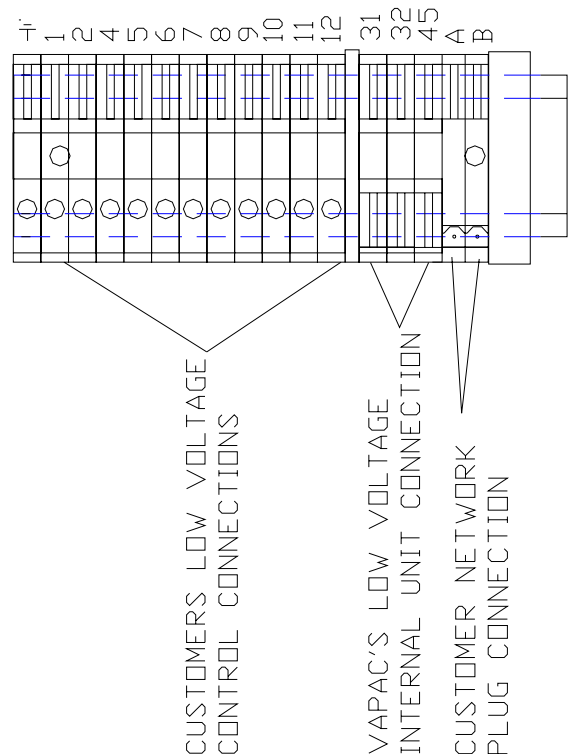
The bottom terminals are for unit volt free run signal as follows:

- 545 Common for run signal
- 546 Normally closed when unit is in standby or fault (not running)
- 547 Normally open when unit is in standby or fault (not running)

If the unit is part of a master slave system or network, the run & fault outputs can be selected (via keypad & display) as either network (system) or unit only. This is selectable at Service Engineers Level, in the Engineering Menu, in the window "Fault/Run Scope". The default is "network". It is possible to get both alarm & Run indication in all units: Single cylinder units will give this indication if the service interval has expired; Twin Cylinder & Networked units will give this indication if the service interval has expired or if the master cylinder is operating and any slave cylinder (or cylinders) are in fault.

#### 1.4.2.2 Unit control terminals

For unit control and network termination see section 1.6 the terminal layout is shown here.



### 1.4.3 Electrical Connections

The wiring to the Vapac should be done by a qualified electrician. The external overcurrent protection and wiring should comply with the appropriate Regulations and Codes of Practice.

**Important:** Make sure the connection to the primary Voltage winding of the Vapac transformer matches the supply Voltage which is to be connected between Vapac terminals A1 & A2. [If the actual \(measured\) site voltage is 400v the preferred tapping is 380V.](#)

A fused disconnect/isolator or MCB should be used to disconnect the supply from all electrodes simultaneously.

This must be sized to suit the total maximum phase/line current of the unit and should be located adjacent to the Vapac cabinet or within easy reach and readily accessible.

In Vapac VAPANET units terminals A1, A2 and A3 are for the power supply connections as indicated in the diagrams below (twin cylinder units have two supplies A1,A2,A3 & B1,B2,B3).

Twin cylinder units' have terminals for the connection of two power supply input circuits. On twin cylinder units' this allows individual external protection of each steam cylinder. Fused disconnect/isolator or MCB provision must be linked to ensure both 3 phase supply inputs are disconnected simultaneously.

### 1.4.4 Cable Entry Provision

Cable glands must be used to ensure cables are held securely at the entry position. All Vapac cabinets are equipped with a removable gland-plate. The installing electrician should remove this and take it to a work-bench to drill for the required cable gland size.

### 1.4.5 Vapac Control Circuit Transformer

The internal control circuit of the Vapac unit operates at 24Vac - the transformer secondary is set at 24V.

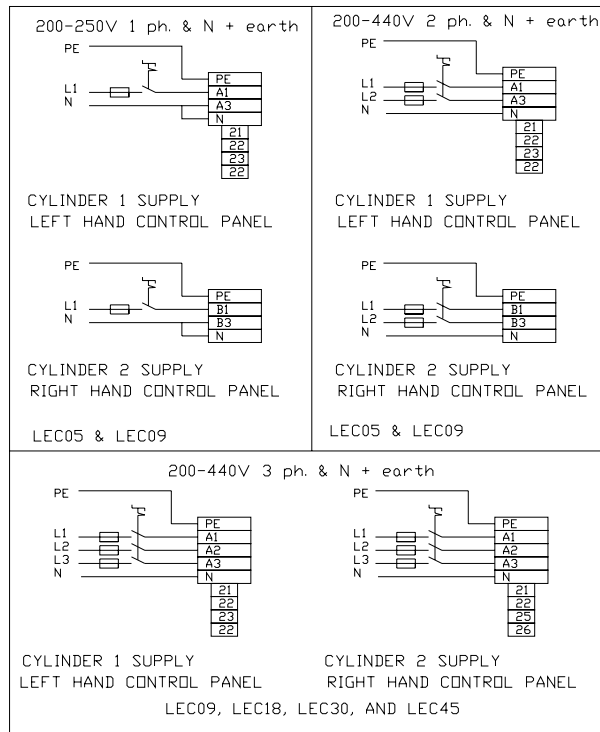
As standard the Vapac VAPANET includes a transformer with alternative primary winding options 200V, 230, 380, 415, and 440V and requires on site adjustment to match it to the Voltage connected to Vapac terminals A1 and A2. The transformer also has a 9V secondary tapping which provides power to the VAPANET 1150630 PCB.

**Important:** The Vapac transformer must **NOT** be used to power other equipment or the warranty will be invalidated.

**Notes:-**

1. All units must have a PE earth connection connected to the units terminal.
2. Unit with N.A. in the following tables means NOT AVAILABLE there is not a unit available to run at the voltage and phases shown. Please check that the correct model reference is ordered and installed, for the low or high voltage required, and at the desired steam output.
3. Standard design is for 50 Hz. Supplies. Design for 60 Hz. Also available - 60 Hz. Supply must be specified with order as the standard pump is only 50Hz.

**FOR FULL ELECTRO-MAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY A NEUTRAL CONNECTION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL PROPORTIONAL UNITS AS INDICATED IN THE CONNECTION DIAGRAMS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES.**



## 1.5 Cylinder Electrical demand loads

Model Ref.		LEC05						LE09					
Nominal Output	Kg/hr	5	5	5	5	5	5	9	9	9	9	9	9
Voltage	V	200	230	380	400	415	440	200	230	380	400	415	440
Power input rating per cylinder	Kw	3.73	3.71	3.78	3.81	3.78	3.83	6.71	6.76	6.77	6.79	6.7	6.74
Electrical Supply	Ph's	Ph+N or 2Ph	Ph+N or 2Ph	Ph+N or 2Ph	Ph+N or 2Ph	Ph+N or 2Ph	Ph+N or 2Ph	Ph+N or 2Ph	Ph+N or 2Ph	Ph+N or 2Ph	Ph+N or 2Ph	Ph+N or 2Ph	Ph+N or 2Ph
No. of electrodes		2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Full load Current per cylinder	A	22.5	19.5	12	11.5	11	10.5	40.5	35.5	21.5	20.5	19.5	18.5
Maximum overcurrent per cylinder	A	33.75	29.25	18	17.25	16.5	15.75	60.75	53.25	32.25	30.75	29.25	27.75
Number of cylinders & supply		2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
2 Supplies @ Fuse Rating/phase	A	32	32	16	16	16	16	63	50	32	32	32	25
Supply cable terminals	mm <sup>2</sup>	4	4	4	4	4	4	10	10	10	10	10	10
Wiring diagram		A4-LZD-559 cyl 1 and A4-LZD-595 cyl 2						A4-LZD-559 cyl 1 and A4-LZD-595 cyl 2					
Cabinet size		4						4					

Model Ref.		LEC18						LEC30					
Nominal Output	Kg/hr	18	18	18	18	18	18	30	30	30	30	30	30
Voltage	V	200	230	380	400	415	440	200	230	380	400	415	440
Power input rating	Kw	13.34	13.36	13.35	13.48	13.39	13.57	22.38	22.43	22.35	22.38	22.32	22.41
Electrical Supply	Ph's	3Ph	3Ph	3Ph	3Ph	3Ph	3Ph	3Ph	3Ph	3Ph	3Ph	3Ph	3Ph
No. of electrodes		3	3	3	3	3	3	6	6	3	3	3	3
Full load Current per cylinder	A	46.5	40.5	24.5	23.5	22.5	21.5	78	68	41	39	37.5	35.5
Maximum overcurrent per cylinder	A	53.475	46.575	28.175	27.025	25.875	24.725	89.7	78.2	47.15	44.85	43.125	40.825
Number of cylinders & supply		2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
2 Supplies @ Fuse Rating/phase	A	50	50	32	32	32	32	100	80	50	50	50	50
Supply cable terminals	mm <sup>2</sup>	10	10	10	10	10	10	35	35	35	35	35	35
Wiring diagram		A4-LZD-559 cyl 1 and A4-LZD-595 cyl 2						A4-LZD-561 & A4-LZD-596		A4-LZD-559 cyl 1 and A4-LZD-595 cyl 2			
Cabinet size		4								4			

Model Ref.		LEC45					
Nominal Output	Kg/hr	45	45	45	45	45	45
Voltage	V	200	230	380	400	415	440
Power input rating	Kw	33.57	33.65	33.79	33.85	33.93	33.45
Electrical Supply	Ph's	3Ph	3Ph	3Ph	3Ph	3Ph	3Ph
No. of electrodes		6	6	6	6	6	6
Full load Current per cylinder	A	117	102	62	59	57	53
Maximum overcurrent per cylinder	A	134.55	117.3	71.3	67.85	65.55	60.95
Number of cylinders & supply		2	2	2	2	2	2
2 Supplies @ Fuse Rating/phase	A	160	125	80	80	80	80
Supply cable terminals	mm <sup>2</sup>	35	35	35	35	35	35
Wiring diagram		A4-LZD-561 cyl 1 and A4-LZD-596 cyl 2					
Cabinet size		4					

**The LEC units have two cylinders the table refers to the maximum operating current of each cylinder.**

Each LEC unit requires two power suppliers, one to each of the cylinder at the table rating above. Both supplies should be routed through a six pole switch fuse isolator within 1 meter of unit .

**1.6 Control Circuit Connections**

**1.6.1 Control Circuit Wiring**

Use a dedicated, earthed metal conduit for both the control signal cable and the security circuit cables, sharing the same conduit if practicable.

Use screened cable for all control and security circuit connections to minimise risk of electrical interference. The screen should be grounded at the VAPANET end only. See detail on page 7. NB. The control signal should be connected to ground at the PCB by connecting either terminal 5 or 6 to terminal 7 – **Important note if the controller output is referenced to ground, then the “leg” which is ground must be the one linked to terminal 7.**

**1.6.2 Proportional Control**

The VAPANET Electrode Boiler (LEXP) models can all be operated by either a potentiometric signal, a lonworks network signal or by one of 6 standard proprietary DC analogue signals.

Input signal:

- Potentiometric control
- 0-5V
- 0-10V
- 0-20V (Actually 0-18V – not phase cut)
- 2-10V
- 1-18V
- 4-20mA (Ensure jumper J1 is in place)
- Network (Slave unit – demand generated by Master)

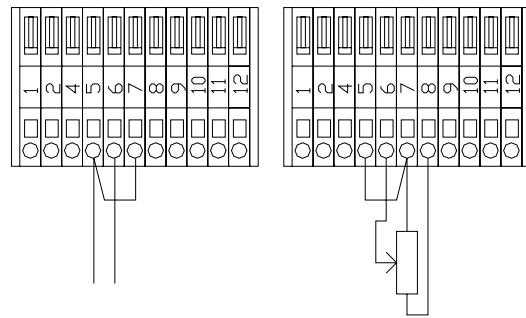
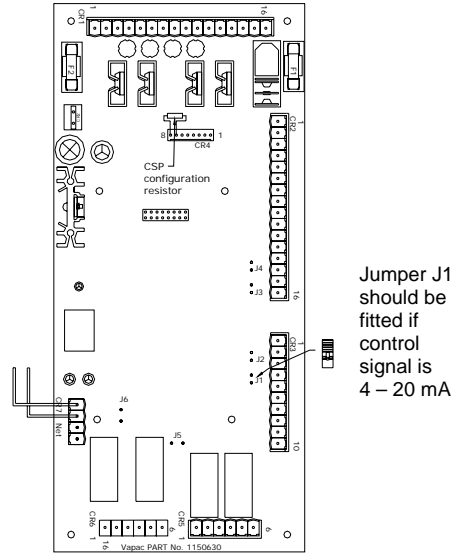
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**1.6.3 Control Signal Selection**

Selection of the control signals is done a part of the initial set-up procedure using the keypad display. For confirmation that the signal has been selected, view the information window.

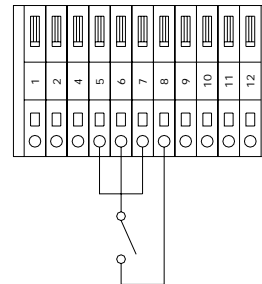
**1.6.4 On/Off Control**

Vapanet models can be operated by a single step humidistat which has Volt-free contacts – select control option Pot.



DC 0 - 20 VOLTAGE CONTROL	4 – 20 Ma CURRENT CONTROL	POTENTIOMETRIC CONTROL min. 135 Ohms Max. 10,000 Ohms
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**NOTE :- FOR CURRENT INPUT ONLY JUMPER J1 ON THE 1150630 CONTROL BOARD MUST BE LINKED.**



**HYGROSTAT WITH VOLT FREE CONTACTS (max. RESISTANCE OF EXTERNAL CONNECTION 100 Ohms.**

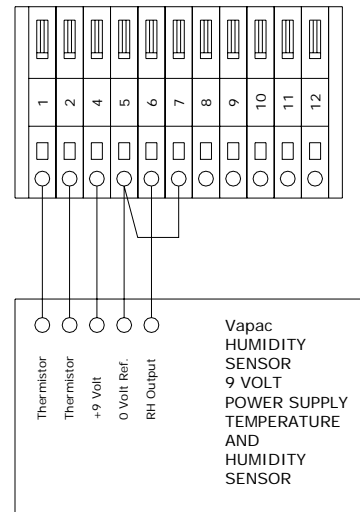
### 1.6.5 Sensing Head

The units are designed to operate using a sensing head, supplied by Vapac Humidity Control Ltd. which should be connected as shown below. **Other propriety sensing heads which give a DC signal may also be used, providing the control signal is connected to control terminals 5 & 6, and the sensing head is powered externally from the unit.**

If “Frost Protection” is required do not connect the thermistor input from the sensing head to control terminals 1 & 2, which should be used to connect the “frost protection thermistor” (part number 1220275) instead. Frost protection is selected via the display – Set the frost demand above the minimum cylinder demand (LE units >20%; LE(P) & LE(C) units >8%)

**Note:**

**Use of the 24V supply of the VAPANET unit to power other items of equipment will invalidate the Vapac warranty.**



Vapac's accessory kit part numbers for sensors are  
Remote Room mounted sensing head FVKIT-107  
And  
Remote Duct mounted sensing head FVKIT-108

### 1.6.6 Security Circuit / E.P.O. Shutdown

As standard units are shipped such that terminals 9 & 10 are provided for connection of an E.P.O. (Emergency Power Off) switch or fire shutdown facility. Other control interlocks, such as high limit humidistat, airflow switch and/or fan interlock and time switches etc. should be connected to terminals 11 & 12. **Please note that if a display is connected to the unit “DI1 Control Option” must be set to “Shutdown”.**

**NB breaking terminals 9 & 10 will prevent any unit operation including frost protection.**

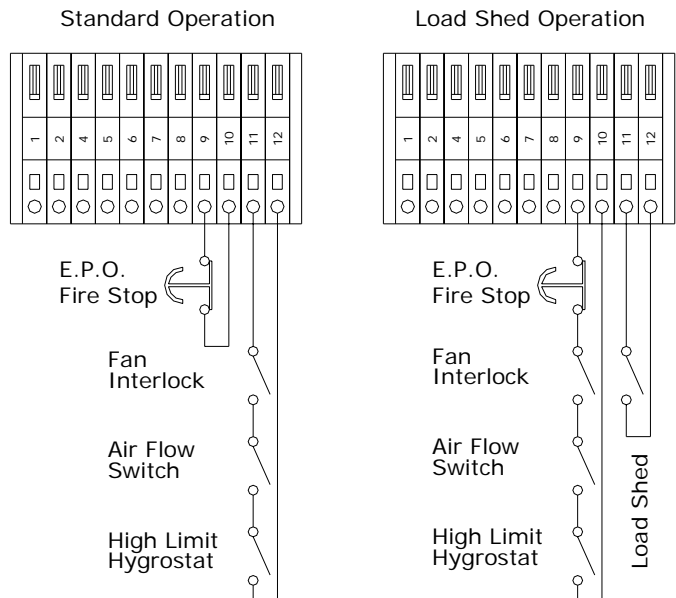
### 1.6.7 Load Shed Option

This can only be evoked via a display, either “hard wired” or hand held. When this option is selected, making the connection between terminals 11 & 12 will activate the “load shed” software routine, which will inhibit the operation of either the unit or in the case of twin cylinder units unit or just the 2<sup>nd</sup> cylinder. This will limit the power used during peak supply periods. If this option is selected, the fan interlock, airflow switch and/or high limit hygostat should be wired into terminals 9 & 10 with the EPO switch if fitted (as per the drawing on the far right). It should be noted that selection of this option will mean that frost protection cannot be utilized.

**Please note that if a display is connected to the unit “DI1 Control Option” must be set to the following:**

**Single cylinder units: “Load shed”.**

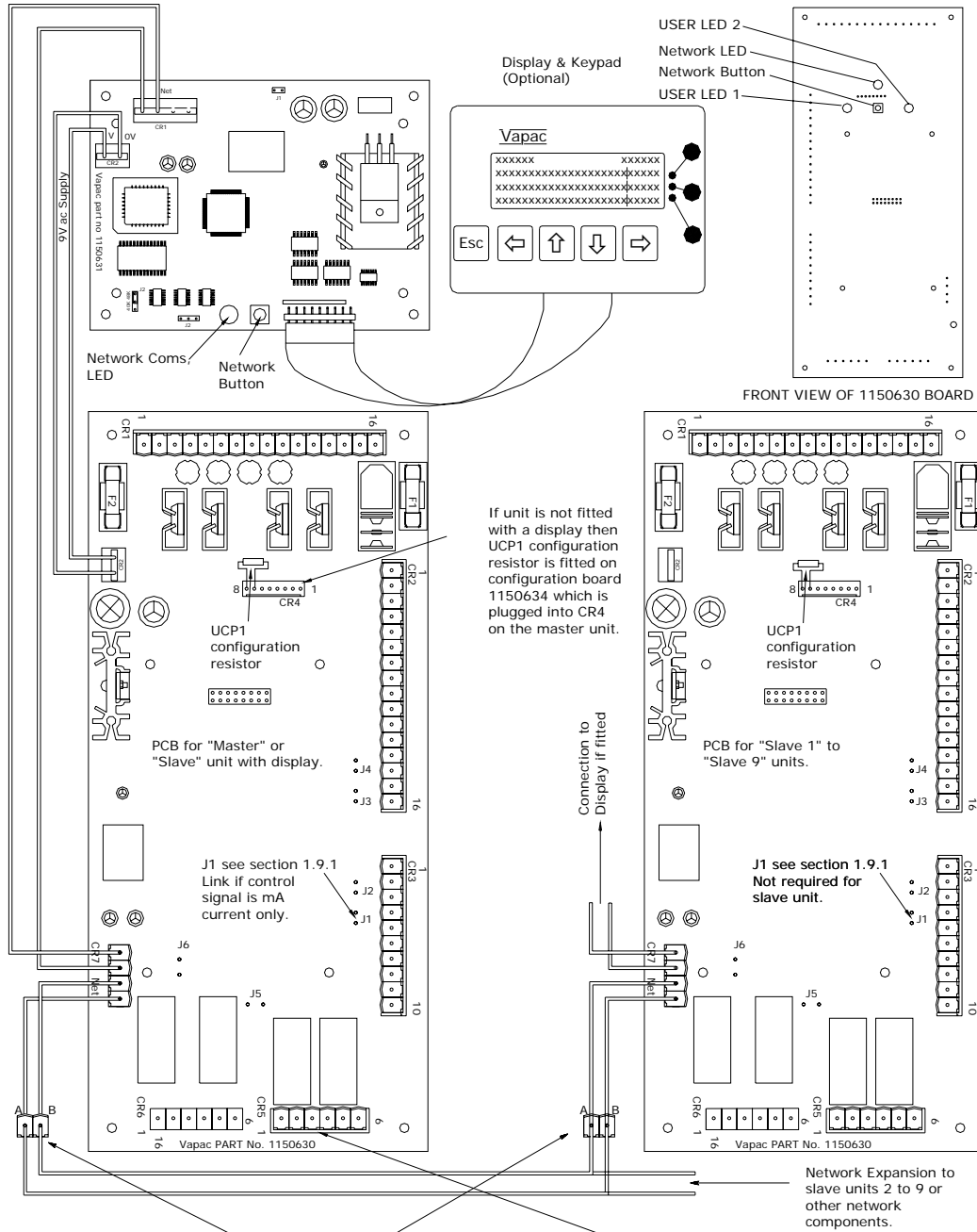
**Twin cylinder units: either “Load Shed Cyl 2” or “Load Shed Both”.**



### 1.6.8 Master/Slave System

For larger duties, VAPANET "Electrode boiler" units can be interconnected and arranged to operate from one proportional signal as a Master/Slave system. **The system allows up to 4 LEC units (of equal duty) to be linked** in this way. The slave units will all be given a demand signal from the master unit. The master unit, to which the proportional signal is connected, will be a "proportional" unit. To "configure" a system, ensure that the control signal is zero [disconnect the control signal, or switch the units off at the front panel switch]. From the display select set up then network and confirm that you want to attach slaves the LEDs will flash red/amber/green, if not repeat the procedure. Then press the service pin (network button) on each of the slave control PCB's in the order that they are required to operate, the slave user LED1 will flash Green/amber until it is configured, once the light goes out [or flashes red/off], proceed to the next slave. Once this process is complete, check the screen shows the correct number of slave units then confirm the fact by pressing the OK button on the master display

**NB. The total cable length of the network (using the cable recommended by V.H.C.L. – Our part number 8040251) is 500 m and it should be assumed that there is 1 m of cable in each unit of the "system" (including the "master").**



If unit is not fitted with a display then UCP1 configuration resistor is fitted on configuration board 1150634 which is plugged into CR4 on the master unit.

Customers terminals within unit located on low voltage rail

Remote Indications  
 CR6 gives the following remote indications as Volt-free contacts:  
 Terminal 547 - Unit Run (normally open)  
 Terminal 546 - Unit Run (normally closed)  
 Terminal 545 - Unit Run (Common)  
 Terminal 544 - Unit Alarm (normally open)  
 Terminal 543 - Unit Alarm (normally closed)  
 Terminal 542 - Unit Alarm (Common)

Network Expansion to slave units 2 to 9 or other network components.

## 2.0 Start-Up / Operation

### 2.0.1 Start-up check list

- a) **Water supply and Drain Connections:** these should be connected as indicated under Plumbing and in accordance with the relevant local regulations. An isolation valve should be adjacent to the unit. The connecting metal plumbing must be grounded close to the unit.
- b) **Steam Line:** This must be connected according to the installation instructions with adequate slope and support.
- c) **Power supply:** Wiring to the Vapanet unit should be by a qualified electrician and comply with the relevant regulations using appropriately sized cable and cable glands, with disconnect and fuses to suit the maximum fuse rating of the unit at the supply Voltage. The disconnect/fuses should be adjacent to the unit or within easy reach and readily accessible.
- d) **Control Connections:** Ensure the control signal and security circuit are correctly connected according to the relevant instructions/diagrams.
- e) **VAPANET 24v / 9V Control Circuit Transformer:** The standard 24V transformer used in the units has primary winding for 200V, 220/240V, 380V, 415V, & 440v 50/60Hz connection derived from the local electrical supply.  
Note: 60Hz connection must be specified with order as 230V 60Hz pump is required.
- f) The maximum output & kW rating of the unit is determined by a Current Set Plug. It is therefore possible to down rate units to any output, down to approximately 50% of the full rated output.
- g) Unit Configuration Plug (U.C.P.). Sets the maximum current level for the unit. It is fitted directly onto the control P.C.B. If a display is fitted, it is the only resistor required to be fitted to the control P.C.B.. However if no display is present additional resistors need to be fitted, to provide the microprocessor with information relating to the control signal etc. For ease these are fitted to a small PCB fitted to CR4 of the PCB, and resistor selection is via shorting links, see control signal selection on page 13. If insufficient information is available the unit will remain in the "not\_config" state (see "Used LED" on page 19) until the information is supplied. This additional information is provided via the keypad – when the display is fitted.

### 2.0.2 Start-Up Instructions

#### First check:

- a) **That the transformer connection matches supply Voltage.**
- b) **That the security circuit is closed for unit operation.**

Close the electrical access panel.

Turn on the water supply to the unit.

Close disconnect/circuit breaker feeding supply to the unit.

Close the On/Off switch.

The display (if fitted) will now show the Set-Up procedure.

Follow the procedure by:

- selecting: the preferred language,
- Attaching the control PCB to the Display.
- nominating: the type/quality of the supply water.
- nominating: the control signal (or Vapac sensor when being used).

When the control signal has been nominated, the Set-Up will be entered into the memory. The Set-Up can then be checked by reading the information menu. If an error has been made, it will be necessary to go back to the Set-up menu. If no display is fitted the information is set using the jumpers on the small resistor PCB 1150634, fitted to CR4 of the control PCB.

### 2.0.3 Commissioning/Start-Up

Once the Set-Up procedure has been completed, the unit is available to operate according to the requirements of the control signal.

When starting with an empty cylinder, the VAPANET programme switches in the contactor and feeds water in until the water reaches the electrodes, and current starts to flow. Thereafter the VAPANET system will continuously monitor and control the conductivity by adjusting the amount of water drained and fed into the cylinder.

With no demand the LEC unit has the right hand light will flash red the left hand light will be off. When the demand increases or the unit is switched on the two led will flashing green Amber at rate depending on the demand input and the actual current drawn, the actual run current of each cylinder is monitored and until the actual current has two feed above 90 % the LED will flash green amber when the current is above 95% for two consecutive feed the light will flash red one cylinder may come up to duty before the other but not until both lights are flashing red is full LEC control working.

### 2.0.4 Features of VAPANET Electode Boiler Unit

The VAPANET system of control is designed to adjust the function to keep the unit operating in the face of changing water quality in the cylinder and changing electrode condition even if, in an adverse operational circumstance, this results in some reduction in output while the situation exists.

#### Foaming protection \*

In particular, the VAPANET is designed to prevent the onset of foaming and to introduce corrective drainage to keep the unit working.

#### Automatic switch-off

The VAPANET PCB will stop operating in response to extreme fault conditions identified as:

Drain Fault STOP (no drain function)

Feed Fault STOP (water not reaching cylinder)

In each case, the display will show the STOP condition and a Help Message, the User LED's on the fascia will indicate the condition see table on page 16. A warning signal will be available for remote indication. The STOP condition of a VAPANET PCB will be cleared via the key pad if a display is fitted or by pressing the reset button on the fascia – then switching the unit off and on. **THIS ACTION SHOULD**

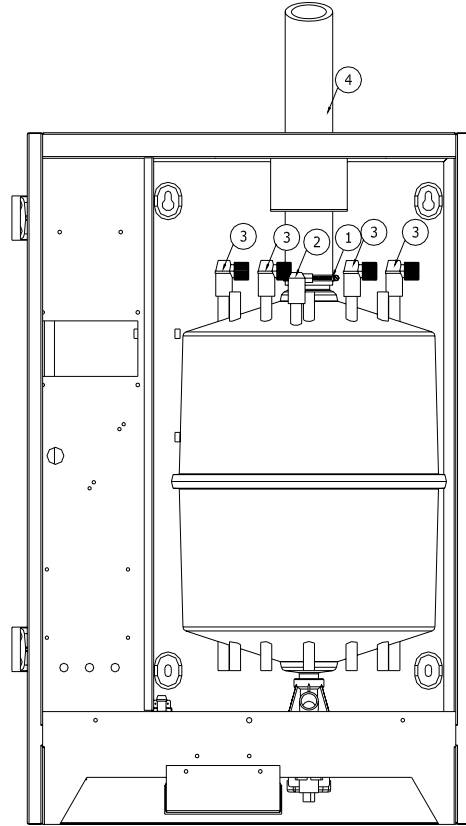
**ONLY BE TAKEN ONCE THE CAUSE OF THE PROBLEM HAS BEEN ASCERTAINED AND RECTIFIED.**

**2.1 Service Advice**

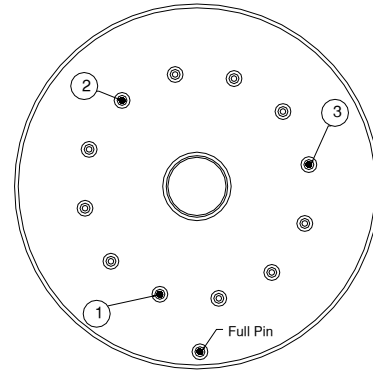
The water hardness and the humidity demand at site will determine the effective life of a steam cylinder. Units located in areas with naturally soft waters will experience the longer cylinder life, possibly upwards of 12 months in calendar terms. With hard waters, a more frequent cylinder exchange must be expected and cylinder exchange 2 or 3 times a year can be the average situation. The normal scaling up of the Vapac steam cylinder is outside the Vapac warranty.

**2.1.1 Procedure for cylinder Exchange.**

1. With the power connected to the unit, manually drain the unit, by depressing (and holding) the Run/Off/Drain Switch to the lower momentary drain position.
2. Disconnect the Vapac from the incoming electrical supply by means of the external isolator (disconnect switch). This should be "locked off" to prevent accidental operation.
3. Unlock the access panel, and swing open to gain access to the steam cylinder.
4. Carefully ease off (lever) the electrode caps (1 & 2). If the cylinder is to be replaced, care should be taken not to twist the electrode caps while removing the black power caps. As the electrodes can rotate in the cylinder bosses (if the plastic cylinder is hot) and lead to unbalanced electrical loads.
5. Loosen the hose clip (1) and disconnect the steam hose (4) from the top of the cylinder.
6. Using a twisting movement, lift the cylinder clear of its seating in the feed/drain manifold and carefully remove the used cylinder from the unit.
7. Inspect the feed/drain manifold to ensure to ensure this is clear of sediment.
8. The drain pump can be removed for inspection and cleaning, by following the instructions below.
9. With the pump back in position, insert the cylinder into the feed/drain manifold, pushing it down firmly to ensure it is seated correctly.
10. Reconnect the steam hose.
11. Replace the electrode caps – ensure that they are replaced in the same sequence as when removed. With the cylinder full pin towards the front of the unit, electrode number 1 will be to the left of the white cylinder full electrode. Electrodes 2, 3, 4 etc will be sequentially connected clockwise around the cylinder (from number 1), when viewed from above. The cables carry colour-coded sleeves to indicate the phase and when connected correctly should follow the following sequence. Red/Yellow/Blue/Red/Yellow/Blue when viewed clockwise from the top. (NB The colour sequence for two electrode cylinders will be Red/Blue.
12. The connections to the cylinder should be routed in as close as possible to their original route.

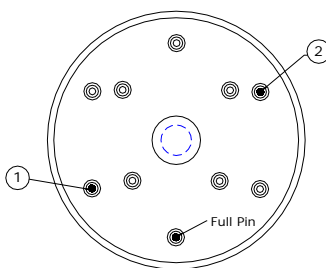


**Component Identification**

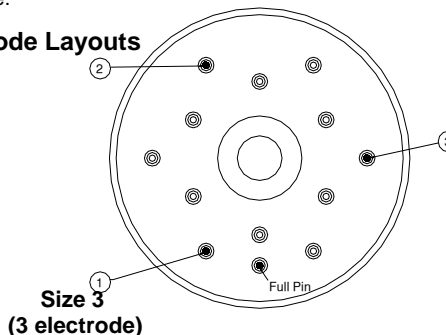


**Size 4 (3 electrode)**

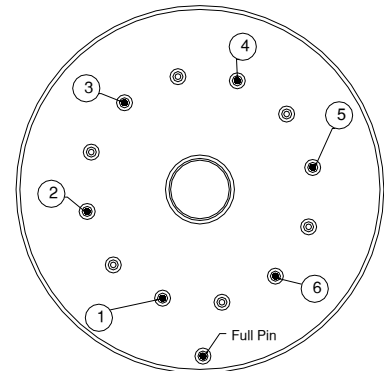
**2.1.2 Typical Cylinder / Electrode Layouts**



**Size 1 / 2 (2 electrode)**



**Size 3 (3 electrode)**



**Size 4 (6 electrode)**

See technical data for cylinder size fitted to your unit

**Other Maintenance:**

- Should only be carried out by a qualified electrician.
- The steam cylinder should be drained prior to carrying out any maintenance in the steam section – This must be done prior to isolating the electrical supply, i.e. before removing the front access panel.
- The unit should be isolated from the electrical supply before any cover or access panel is removed.

**2.2 Service and Maintenance**

As the operation of the Vapac is entirely automatic, it normally requires no attention on a day-to-day basis. General cleaning and maintenance of the component parts of the Vapac are recommended at intervals of about one year, but this is largely dependent upon the frequency of its use and the quality of the water supply. Where the Vapac is part of an air-conditioning system being serviced regularly, the Vapac should be inspected at the same time.

**2.2.1 Feed Valve with Strainer**

The nylon bodied solenoid valve incorporates a small nylon strainer which is a push fit in the 3/4" inlet of the valve. With a new plumbing installation, residual loose solid material in the pipework could partially block the strainer after start-up. If for this or any other reason a restriction of the water flow is suspected (outside of supply pressure considerations), it would be possible to clean the strainer as follows:-

Turn off the water supply to the Unit.

Undo the nylon nut connecting the flexible connection to the valve inlet.

The strainer can be removed using 'long-nosed' pliers to grip the centre flange provided on the strainer for this purpose.

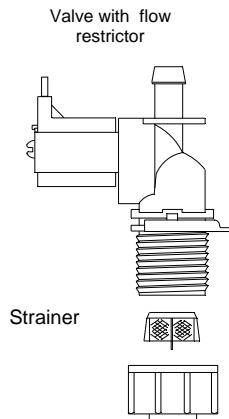
Withdraw the strainer.

Wash and replace it.

Reconnect and turn on water supply.

Reconnect electrical supply to allow unit to operate.

*Note: Always replace the strainer after cleaning as it is required to prevent material lodging in the valve seat or blocking the small flow control restrictor which is fitted in the valve.*



3/4 Nylon nut with washer as part of flexible connector

**2.2.2 Drain Pump**

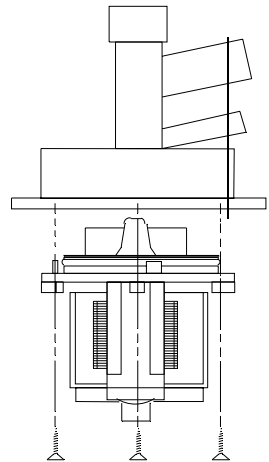
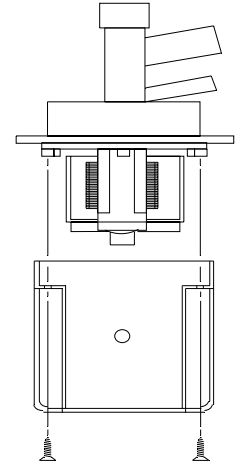
The pump is a sealed unit and should not be dismantled. Instructions for removal / replacement are as follows:

1) Place a bucket below the pump, to catch any water remaining in the housing or pipework.

2) Remove the two screws holding the pump cover & lift clear.

3) Undo the three screws holding the pump body to the feed & drain manifold, and remove it - any water trapped in the pump will be released at this point.

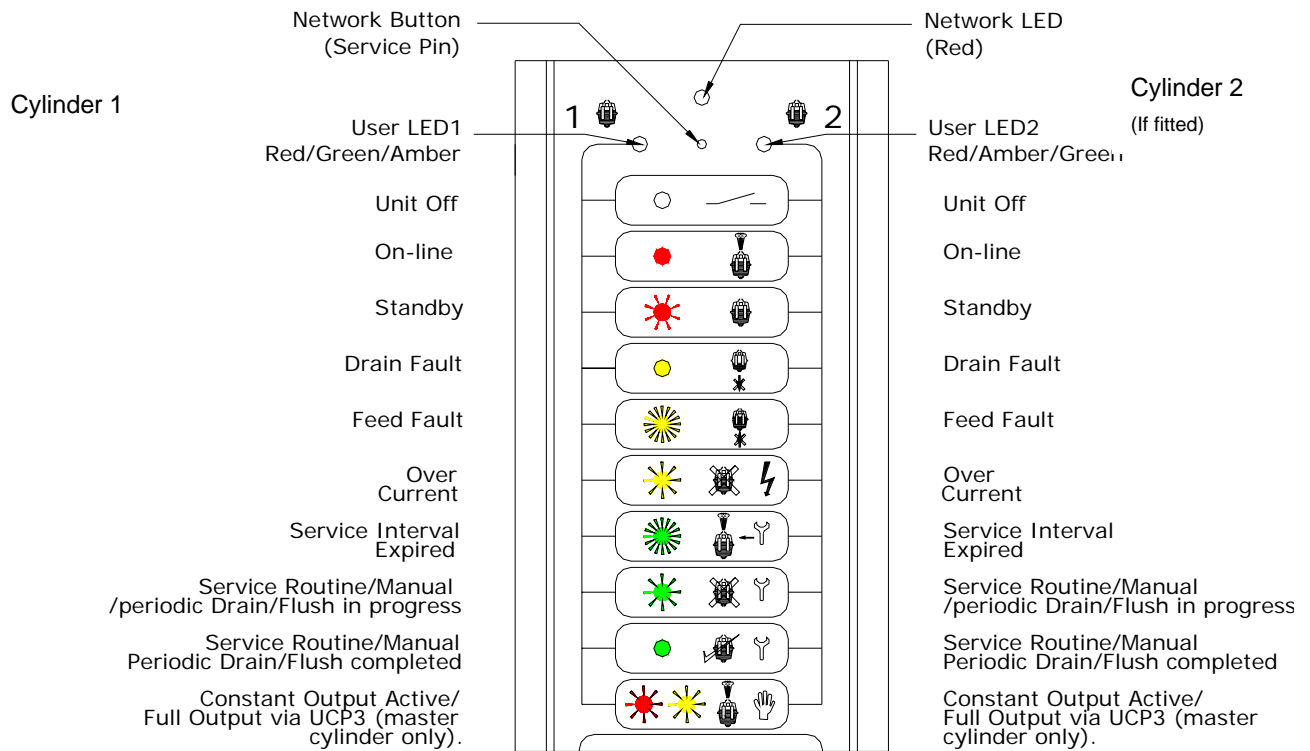
4) Fit the replacement pump by following the above steps in reverse order. Ensuring that the O-ring surrounding the impeller Housing is correctly seated, and That it mates correctly with the Feed / drain manifold.

**Steam and Condensate Hoses**

The hoses used with and in the Vapac should be inspected at the normal service visits as part of normal maintenance. At the first signs of deterioration, a hose should be removed and replaced.



### 3.2 Fascia Label symbols



### 3.3 Other Options

All selectable via a display (either Hard Wired or Hand held)

#### Feed With Drain

Used to lower the temperature of the drain water.

#### Frost Protection

When this is activated the unit will operate, at a preset demand level, if the temperature surrounding the unit falls below a preset level, to prevent the pipework from freezing.

It is enabled by setting "frost demand" (via keypad/display) to >0 (it is disabled by setting "frost demand" to 0). However the unit will not operate unless "frost demand" is set above the unit minimum demand level. Minimum demand level for LE units is 21% and for LEP units it is 10%. Frost demand is fully adjustable between 0 & 50%.

#### Timed Drain down.

Used to drain all the water from the cylinder if the unit remains on standby for longer than a preset (but adjustable) time period.

For information on setting these options please see the display manual.

**4.0 Troubleshooting Check List**

**Preliminary** - Use manual drain option to check pump operation

<b>Symptom</b>	<b>Check/Cause/Remedy</b>
Power-On Neon – Off	- Check main power is connected and switched on.
Symbol-LED – Off	- Check power supply fuses.
Display - Blank	
Power-On Neon – On	- Check if security circuit is open circuit
Symbol-LED – On	- Check 24V 6.3A fuse mounted at top of Microvap controller PCB 1150630
Display - Blank	

**Automatic STOP – Feed Fault indicated on the Display.**

<b>Possibilities</b>	<b>Checks</b>
Water is not connected	- Check water stop valve is open
Water connected but not reaching cylinder.	- Check internal Vapac hose connections for a leak.
Water in cylinder and overflowing.	- Check float switch operation

**Automatic Stop – Drain Fault indicated on the display.**

<b>Possibilities</b>	<b>Checks</b>
Drain pump function impaired	- If pump will not function, empty cylinder by disconnecting at the tundish fill-cup the water supply hose to the cylinder and draining the water into a bucket. Remove, dismantle and clean pump.
Float switch failure	- Check float switch operation
Cylinder O/Let Blocked	- Check & unblock

**Unit On-Line but inadequate or no steam production.**

<b>Possibilities</b>	<b>Checks</b>
Contactor not made	- Contactor coil, Float switches, Control PCB.
MCB's tripped	- Cylinder Inspection, inspect elements, and float switch operation.
SSR's not switching	- SSR Check as described below,

**Important**

**Specialised check of the Solid State Relay**

**Equipment needed** - The following check should be carried out by a competent electrician

- An AC Voltmeter, multi-meter set to full AC line voltage or suitable voltage test instrument.

**Procedure**

- Remove access panels from both the steam cylinder and electrical compartments
- Ensure that the humidifier has an operational level of water in the cylinder. Switch unit on and check that the display indicates "Vapac on line".
- Apply the voltmeter, set to the full line Voltage, across the output terminals of the SSR being tested (i.e. the two terminals carrying the cabling to the elements).

**Correct Voltmeter Response – oscillating between full and near zero Voltage.**

If Voltmeter reads a constant near zero Volts, Check:

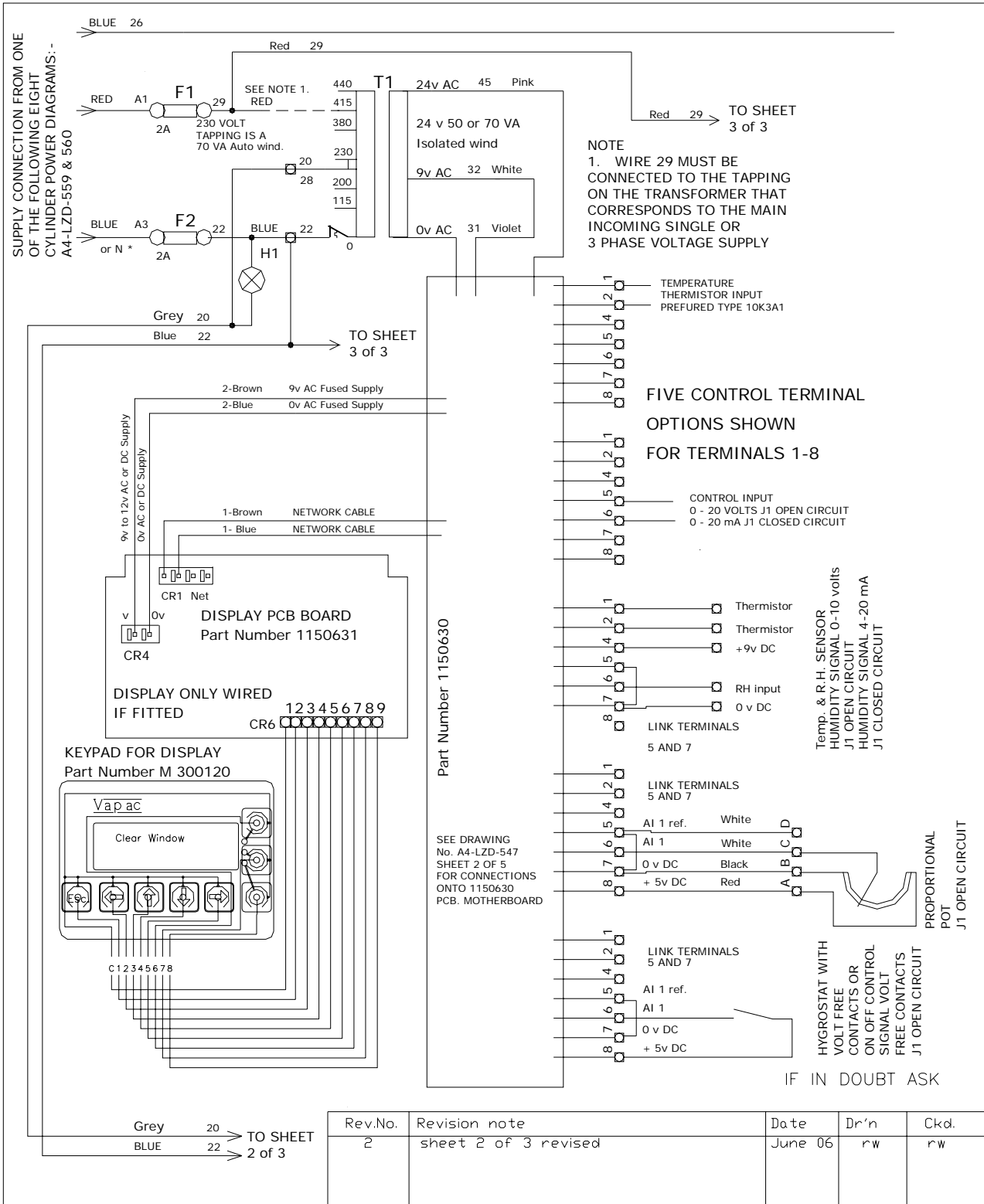
- a) That the unit is not feeding water – if it is, wait until the feed valve closes and then re-check. (reason the SSR will hold closed while the feed valve is open).
- b) That the control PCB is giving the correct pulsed D.C. signal (approx 5V D.C.) to the SSR control input terminals.

**SSR Replacement**

A faulty SSR should be replaced with an SSR of the same (or higher) Voltage and amperage rating. Disconnect the unit from the electrical supply. Disconnect the SSR and undo the mounting screws. The SSR is bedded in thermal compound to assist heat transfer – it is important that this is cleaned off, and a layer fresh compound placed under the replacement SSR. When it is secured in position. Reconnect the SSR, reconnect the electrical supply and check the SSR function as above before replacing the access panels.

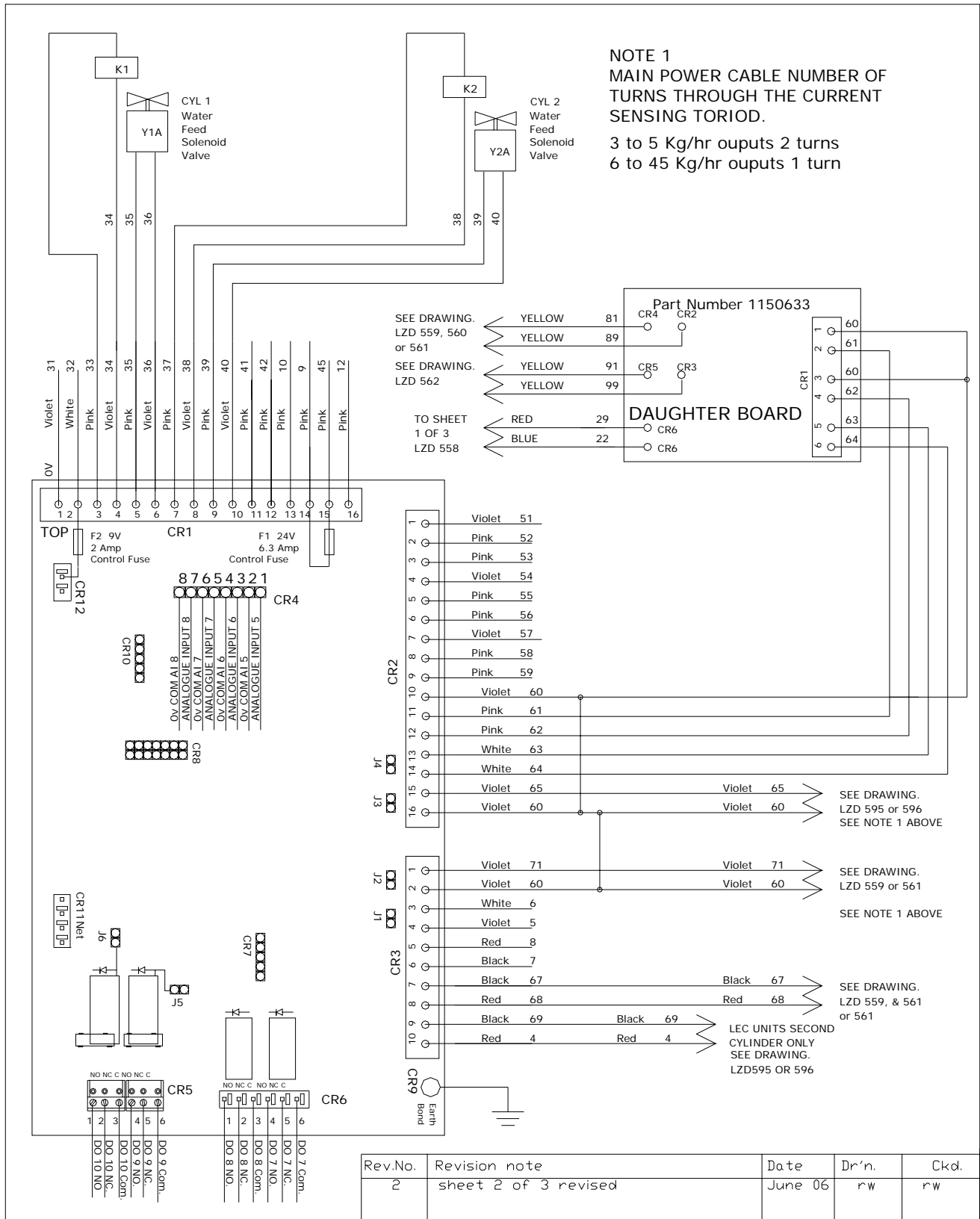
**Note: Use proprietary thread locking compound on the line voltage**

**5.0 Wiring diagram**



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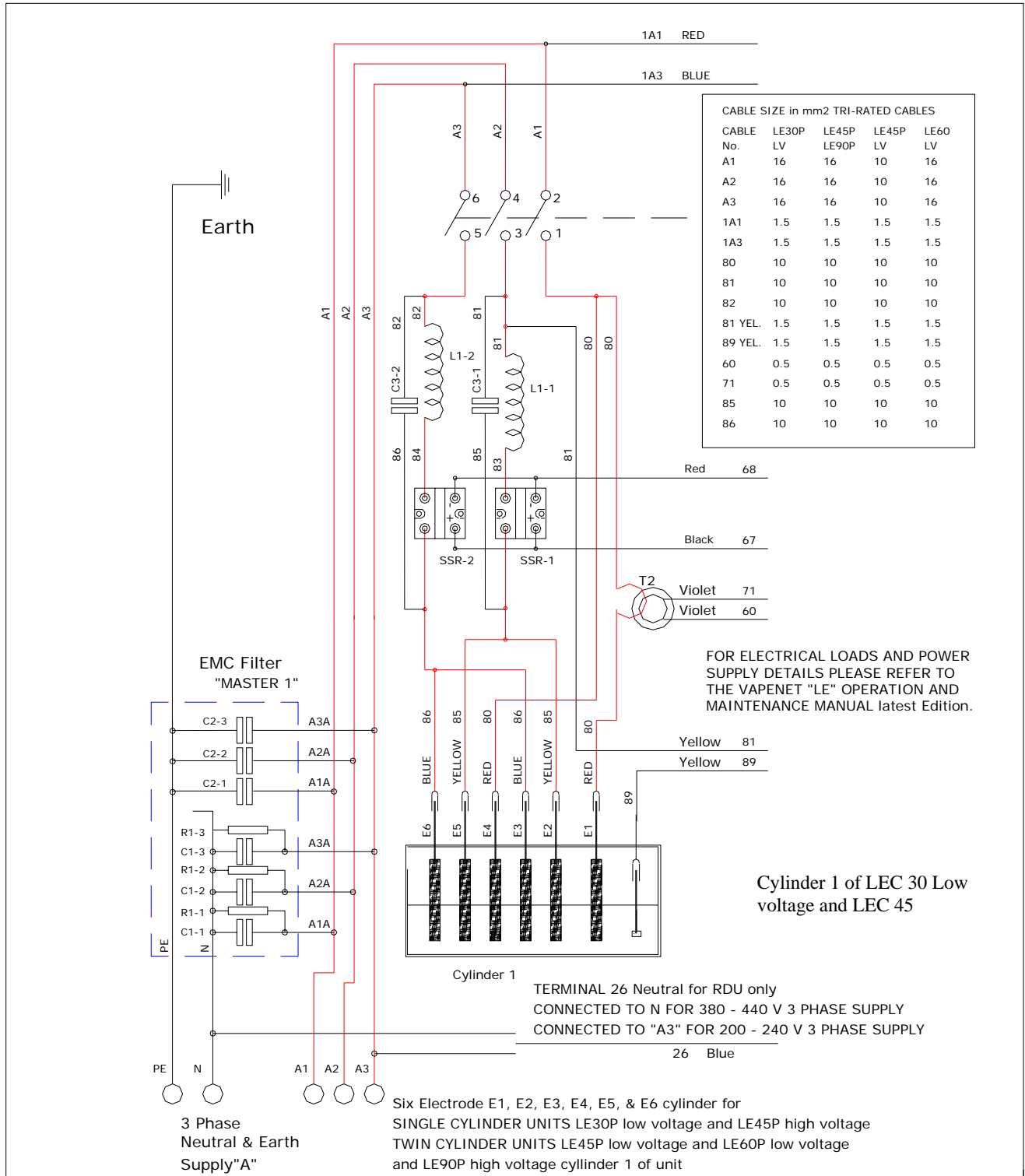




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Low voltage less than 380  
High voltage is greater than or  
Equal to 380 volts

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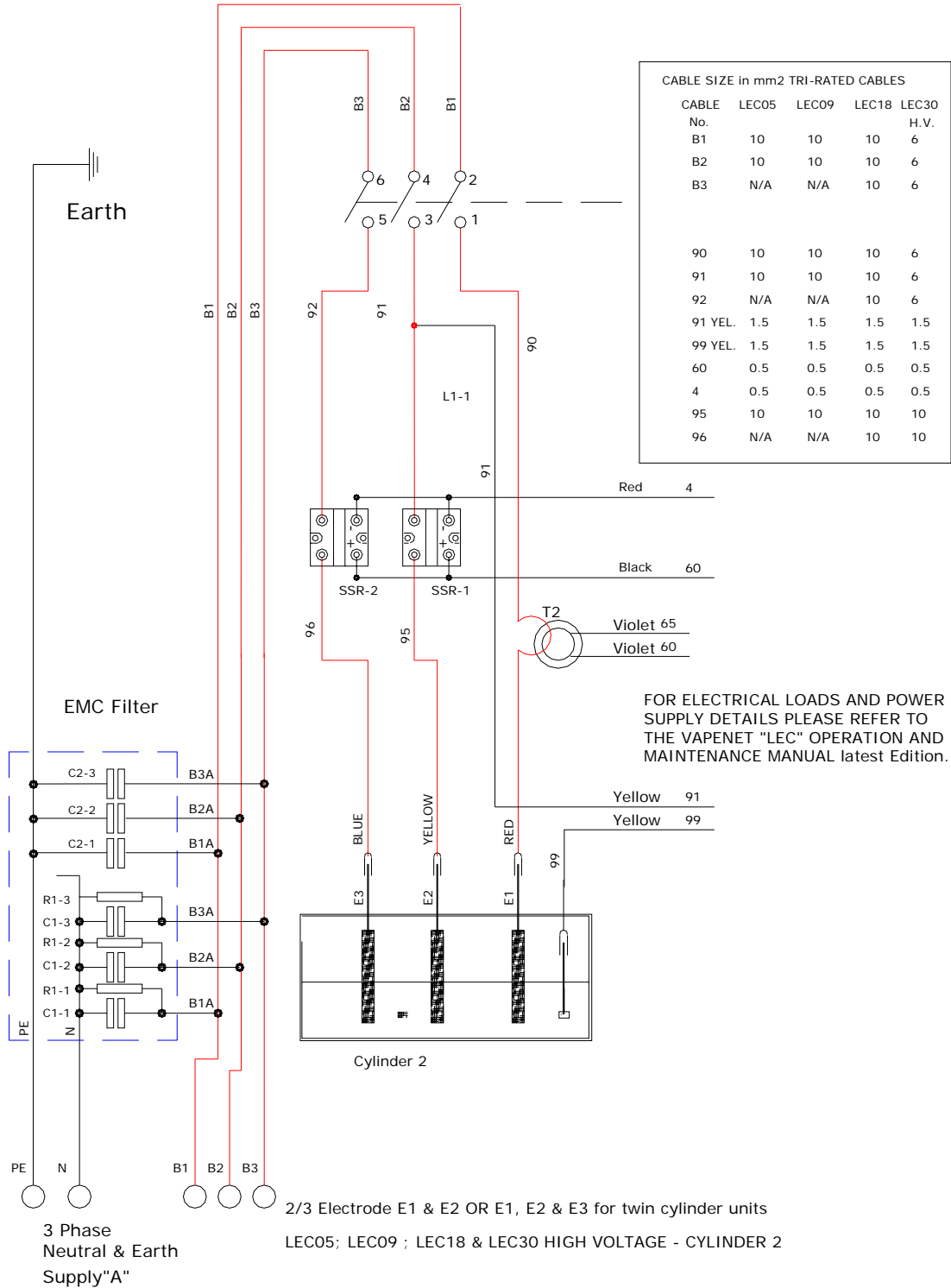
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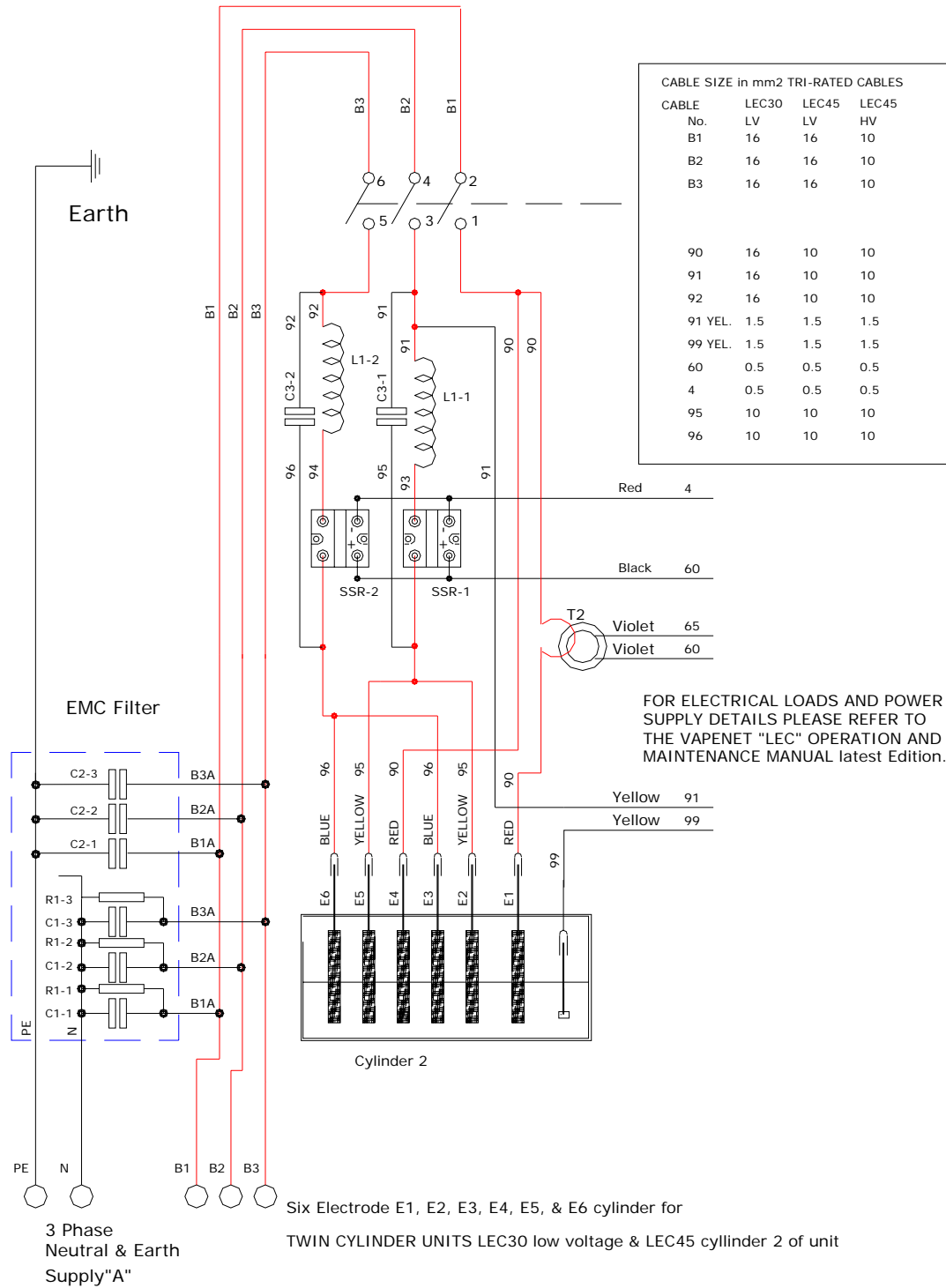
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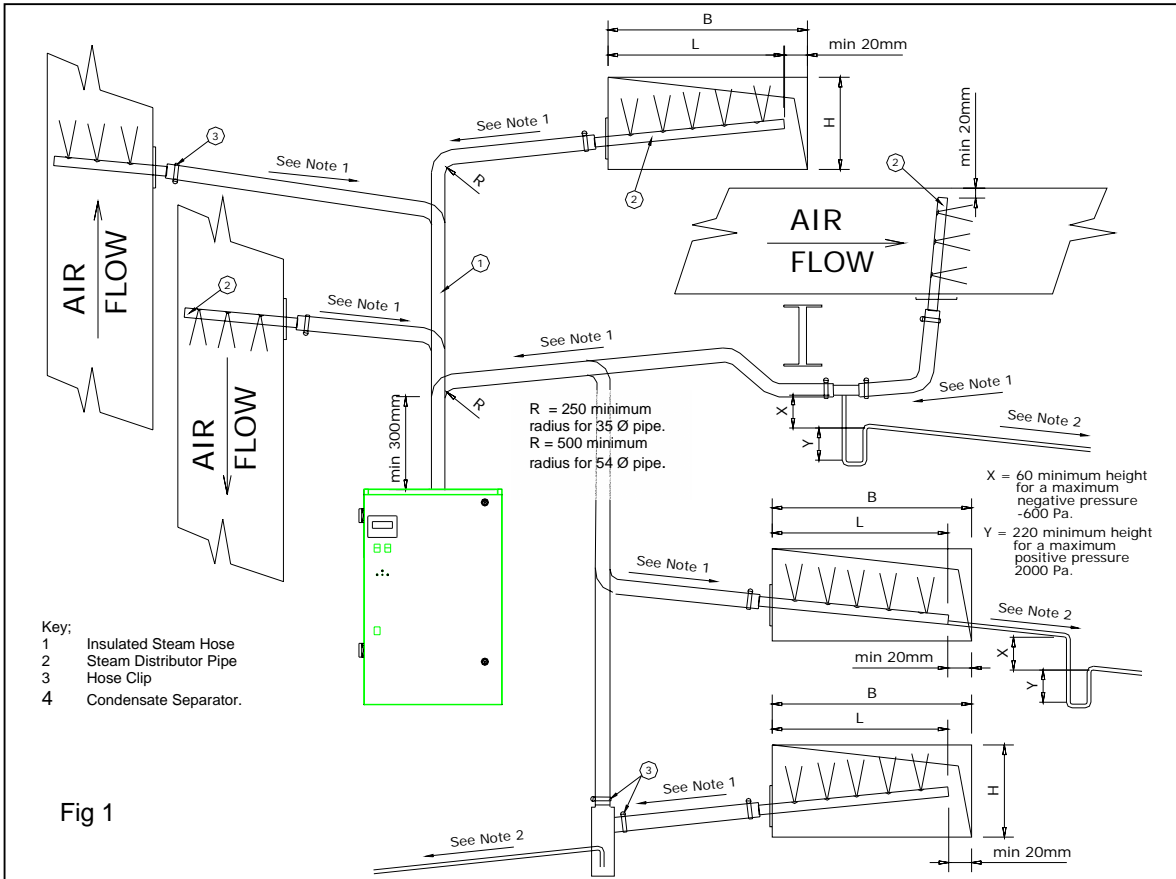
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**Appendix 1.**

**A Guide to Positioning Steam Pipes:**

**Vapac Humidity Control Ltd. Issue this as a guide only, and accept no responsibility for the positioning of any pipes in a system. This remains the responsibility of the Project Design Engineer.**



**Notes:**

- 1 Steam pipe to have a minimum slope from the horizontal of 7° or 12% to allow the condensate to drain back to the cylinder or trap. **NO HORIZONTAL RUNS. NO 90° ELBOWS.**
  - 2 Water condensate tube to slope at 10° or 18% from the horizontal for condensate to drain back to drain point.
  - 3 Steam pipes which are mounted horizontally must discharge vertically upward.
  - 4 Vertically mounted Steam pipes must discharge horizontally facing upstream airflow.
  - 5 If the total pressure within a duct air flow exceeds 2000 Pa and the static is below 2000 Pa then the probe may face horizontally at right angles to the air stream.
  - 6 Care should be taken to support steam hose sufficiently such that no kinks are formed which would flood with condensate causing the bore of the tube to become constricted, leading to excessive pressure in the steam lines.
- N.B Standard steam distribution pipes are manufactured such that any condensate is drained back towards the Vapac steam cylinder. Reverse slope pipes are available, and are fitted with a drain connector, to enable condensate to be taken away to a suitable drain.**

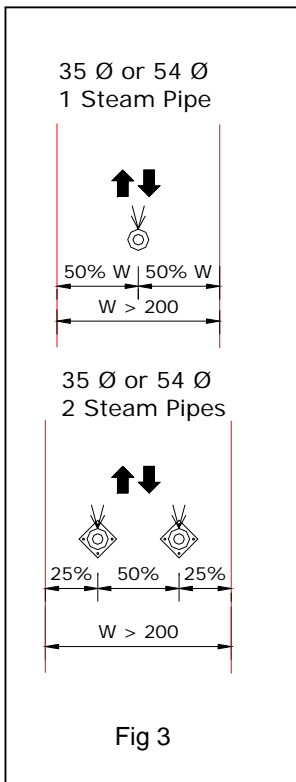
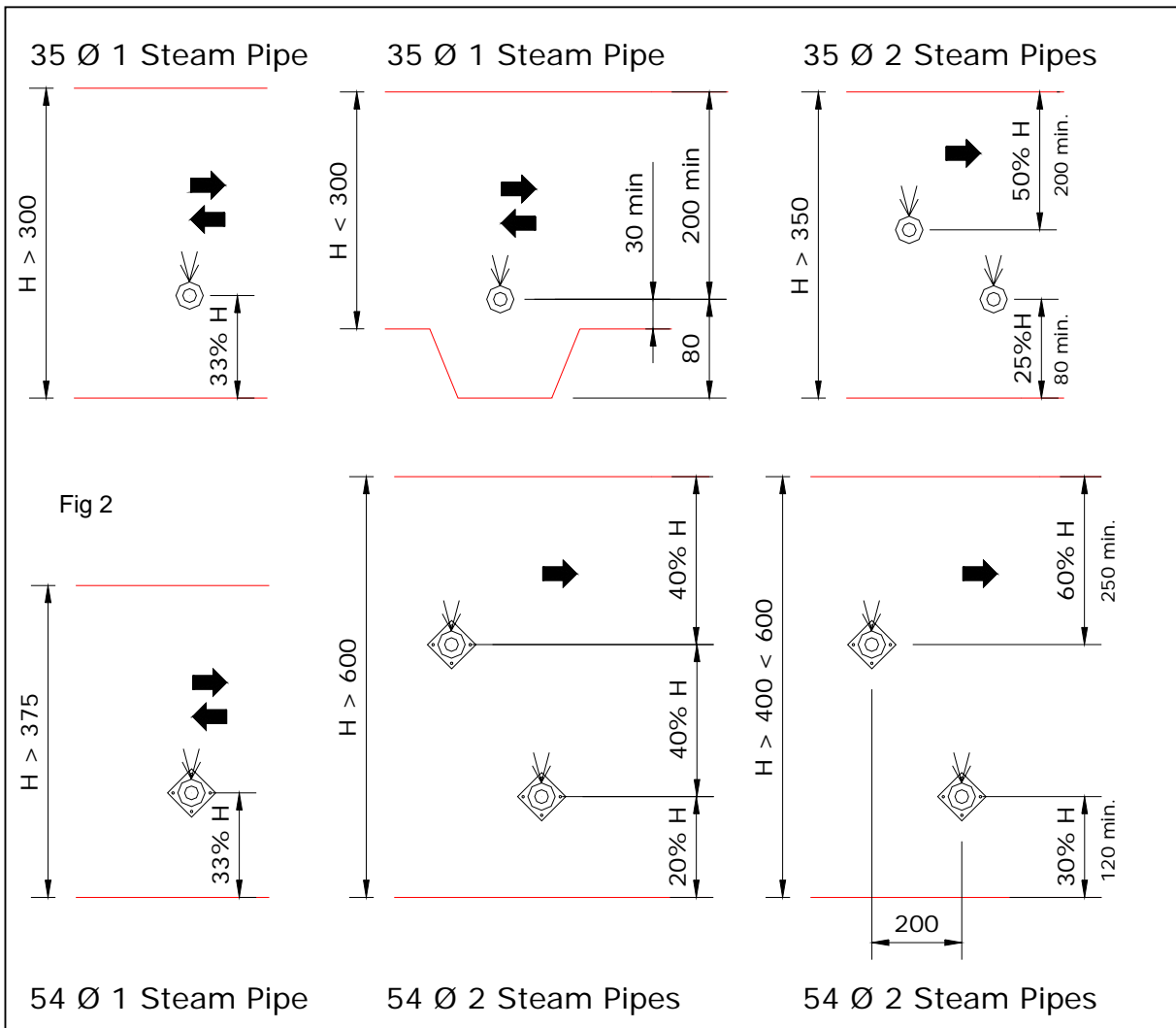


Fig 3

**Figure 1** shows the versatility of the steam pipe / steam hose steam delivery system. It also indicates where and how condensate traps / condensate separators should be used. If the steam pipe slopes such that the steam connection is lower than the far end of the pipe, this indicates that a reverse slope steam pipe is required. This is fitted with a drain point to allow condensate to be taken away to a convenient drain.

**Figure 2** shows recommendations on how to space one or more steam pipes in a horizontal duct.

**Figure 3** shows recommendations on how steam pipes should be spaced in a vertical duct

**Figure 4** shows mounting details for 35 and 54 Ø steam pipes

NB. The duct should be clear of obstructions, transformations and bends until the steam has been absorbed into the airflow. A guide to calculating this distance is available from Vapac – Part Number 0411047.

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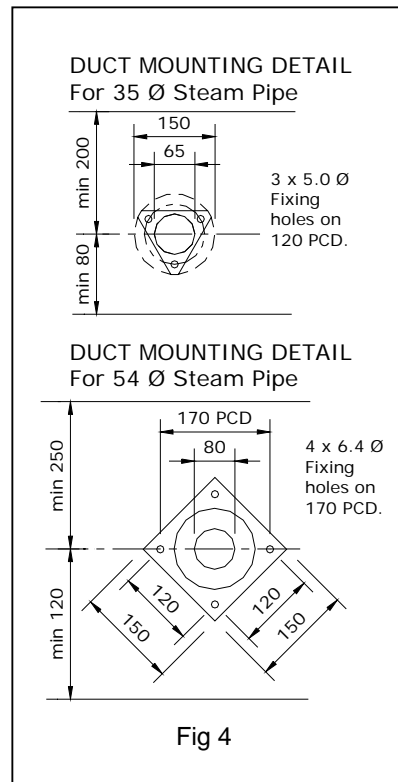
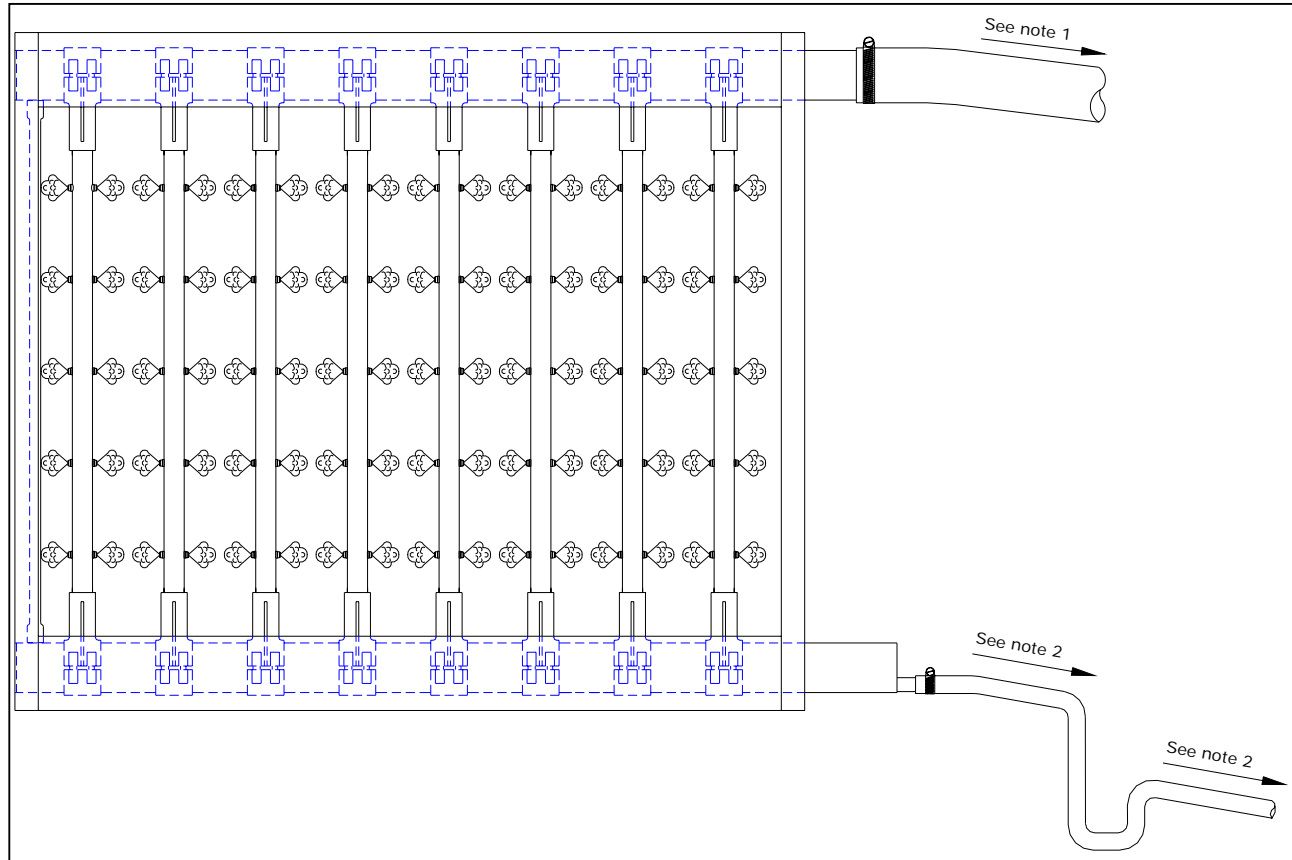


Fig 4

## Appendix 2

### A Guide to Positioning Multipipes:

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#### Notes:

- 1 Steam pipe to have a minimum slope from the horizontal of 7° or 12% to allow the condensate to drain back to the cylinder or trap. **NO HORIZONTAL RUNS. NO 90° ELBOWS.**
- 2 Water condensate tube to slope at 10° or 18% from the horizontal for condensate to drain back to drain point. A suitably sized trap will be required to prevent steam from escaping via the condensate drain connection.
- 3 Care should be taken to support steam hose sufficiently such that no kinks are formed which would flood with condensate causing the bore of the tube to become constricted, leading to excessive pressure in the steam lines.
- 4 The duct should be clear of obstructions, transformations and bends until the steam has been absorbed into the airflow. Vapac Humidity Control Ltd. Suggest a figure of 1.5 times the estimated absorption distance stated on the "Multipipe" design sheet. Which is supplied with the quotation.
- 5 Should it be necessary to slope the steam hose away from the Vapac Boiler, it will be necessary to fit a condensate separator to remove the condensate at the lowest point. This will need to be taken to a suitable drain.

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