Wastewater Solutions
Featuring Meltric’s DECONTACTOR™ Series Switch-Rated Plugs, Receptacles and Electrical Connectors

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Decontactors are a combination plug and receptacle and disconnect switch in the same device. In addition to providing a safe and convenient electrical connection, they also provide the code required ‘line of sight’ disconnect. They allow users to safely and easily make and break electrical connections even under full load. Using Meltric Decontactors to connect motors instead of hard-wiring can help reduce motor change-out downtime by 50% or more.

**Simplify Maintenance**

Decontactors allow mixers and other equipment to be safely connected with plug and play simplicity. Mechanics can easily replace or service equipment without needing an electrician on site and without the need for electrical PPE, as required by NFPA 70E and CSA Z462. Equipment change-out times are significantly reduced, worker exposure to harsh environments is minimized, and re-wiring errors are eliminated (no more motors running backwards).

**Simplify Code Compliance**

Using Decontactors to connect pumps, grinders (shown) or other equipment, automatically provides the code required ‘line of sight’ disconnect. The installation of Decontactors is a simple and cost effective means of achieving code compliance on new or existing installations. Decontactors function as a local disconnect and provide positive visual verification that power is off. The need and expense of a separate disconnect switch is eliminated.
Decontactors are ideal for connecting submersible pumps in both indoor and outdoor applications. Their spring-loaded, silver-nickel butt-style contacts provide consistently superior electrical performance over thousands of operations and are resistant to wear, corrosion, oxidation, and other factors that contribute to the premature failure of pin & sleeve devices. They also feature a patented, spring-assisted, screw terminal design that helps prevent connections from loosening over time due to conductor yield and vibration.

Decontactors are ideally suited for the wastewater industry. Decontactors are built with materials that withstand the harsh environment of wastewater treatment plants. For example, Meltric’s silver-nickel contacts, stainless steel hardware, and chemical resistant housings help withstand corrosion caused by the hydrogen sulfide gases often found in wastewater environments. Other features, such as optional auxiliary pilot contacts, help make the operation of a wastewater plant safer and more efficient by allowing electrical interlocking with a motor starter and by simplifying the monitoring of key parameters that may indicate thermal alarms or seal failures.

In addition to the safety benefit inherent in the contact design, all Decontactors have dead front construction, enclosed arc chambers and short circuit make and withstand ratings of at least 65kA. The dead front prevents user access to live parts and the short circuit rating ensures safety during insertion, even under overload or locked rotor conditions. Decontactors eliminate the safety hazards associated with pin & sleeve devices.

Provide Durable Connections

Ensure Safety for Maintenance Personnel
Benefit from Meltric Connectors

Meltric Switch Rated Plugs, Receptacles and Connectors are ideal for connecting power to:

- Pumps
- Mixers
- Aerators
- Portable Motor Control Centers
- Grinders
- Compressors
- Generators
Throughout Your Plant

Application Spotlight: Submersible Mixers

Submersible mixers and pumps are used throughout a typical wastewater treatment plant, as well as, at remote lift stations. When used to connect power to submersible mixers or pumps, Meltric Decontactors offer...

- **Safety**
  Workers can safely make and break electrical connections under full load. The dead front safety shutter prevents access to live parts.

- **Easy Equipment Change-outs**
  A technician can break the power, service or replace the mixer, and reconnect power. There is no need for an electrician on site.

- **Low Costs**
  Decontactors are UL, CSA, and IEC switch rated. You effectively get a disconnect switch for free.

- **Design and Installation Simplicity**
  There is no need to locate and install auxiliary disconnect switches or mechanical interlocks.

- **Long Life**
  Robust materials and construction resist harsh environments. Butt-style contacts perform for thousands of operations.

- **Extended Functionality**
  Optional auxiliary pilot contacts allow facilities to easily interlock with motor starters and monitor key parameters, such as, thermal alarm or seal failure.

Simple and Safe Operation

When the plug and receptacle are latched together, the circuit is connected.

Pressing the pawl causes the DECONTACTOR to break the circuit. The plug is ejected to its rest position; its contacts are now dead.

Rotating the ‘dead’ plug 30° counterclockwise closes the safety shutter and frees the plug to be withdrawn from the receptacle.

The plug and the receptacle are separated. The safety shutter prevents access to live parts.
Meltric DECONTACTOR™ Series Plugs and Receptacles

- **Dead Front/Safety Shutter**
  - Assures safety by preventing user access to live parts.

- **Silver-Nickel Contacts**
  - Silver-Nickel material provides superior conductivity, durability and corrosion resistance.

- **Durable Casings**
  - Offers great resistance to impact and harsh environmental conditions.

- **Spring-Assisted Screw Terminals**
  - Patented design assures "Tighten and Forget" confidence.

- **Spring-Loaded Butt Style Contacts**
  - Ensures consistent contact force over thousands of operations.

- **Lid**
  - Provides additional protection from harsh environments.

- **OFF Button**
  - Press to deenergize. Provides push button circuit disconnection.

- **Lockout-Tagout Provisions**
  - Allows plug to be easily locked out and tagged. Optional padlock pawl allows lockout/tagout of the receptacle.

- **Meltric Decontactors**
  - Are the world’s only UL and CSA switch rated plugs and receptacles. Not only do they meet performance test requirements for UL 1682/CSA C22.2 No. 182.1 (to which competitive pin and sleeve devices are listed), but Decontactors also meet the performance test requirements in UL Subject 2682 “Switch-Rated Plugs and Receptacles.” Based on their evaluation against this standard, Decontactors are UL and CSA listed for use in motor circuit disconnect/switching applications and in branch circuit disconnect/switching applications.

- **Meltric Decontactors and by traditional pin and sleeve type plugs and receptacles (per UL 1682 and CSA 22.2 No. 182.1)**
  - Temperature Rise (not to exceed 30°C over ambient)
  - 50 operations @ 150% device rating and .7 -.8 power factor
  - Endurance - number of operations @ .75 -.8 power factor
    - 20A 5,000 under load 0 off load
    - 30 to 60A 1,000 under load 1,000 off load
    - 100 to 200A 250 under load 250 off load

- **Additional Tests passed exclusively by DECONTACTOR™ Series plugs and receptacles per UL Subject 2682.**
  - 50 operations @ 6x motor FLA and .4 -.5 power factor
  - 6,000 operations @ FLA and .75 -.8 power factor
  - Short circuit make and withstand @ ≥65kA, 600V and < .15 PF

- **Additional Listings include:** IEC/EN 60309-1, 60947-3, AS 3123

*Testing was performed with RK1 current limiting fuses sized at 400% of the highest full load motor ampacity associated with the devices hp ratings, except for DB100 which was tested with 250A fuses. Non-horsepower rated DS100 and DS200 devices were tested with RK9 time delay fuses sized at 100% of the devices rated ampacity.*

**Tested to a Higher Standard**
### Product Technology & Specifications

#### Safety & Code Compliance: Meltric vs the Competition

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### MOTOR CHANGE-OUT PROCESS

1. Switch disconnect to OFF position
2. Apply lockout/tagout
3. Perform Shock/Arc Flash Hazard Analysis
4. Obtain permit for energized electrical work
5. Suit up with appropriate PPE
6. Remove the disconnect switch cover
7. Voltage test to verify deenergization
8. Disconnect motor from hard-wiring
9. Remove old/install new motor
10. Connect new motor to hard-wiring
11. Jog the motor to ensure proper rotation

### MOTOR CHANGE-OUT PROCESS

1. Switch Decontactor receptacle to OFF position
2. Mechanic removes plug from receptacle
3. Apply lockout/tagout as required
4. Mechanic removes old/installs new motor
5. Mechanic inserts plug into receptacle

**Meltric Makes it Safe & Easy**

- Expensive mechanical interlocks are required since these plugs & receptacles cannot safely make & break under load
- The interlock must be mounted on a fixed surface this may make "line of sight" location more difficult

### MOTOR CHANGE-OUT PROCESS

1. Open interlock switch
2. Determine PPE requirements & obtain
3. Mechanic inserts plug into receptacle
4. Voltmeter test to verify deenergization
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8. Insert plug into receptacle

#### Product Selection Guide

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More Products & Services for the Wastewater Industry

Other Meltric Products Commonly Used in Wastewater Facilities

Multipin Plugs and Connectors

Multipin products are commonly used in power and control applications. They are available with up to 37 contacts and have a total amp capacity ranging from 4mA to 100A.

DXN Hazardous Duty Connectors

DXN’s are CSA listed for Class 1 Division 2 and Class 2 Division 2 environments. Suitable for loads up to 60A, DXN’s provide a compact, waterproof solution for potentially hazardous locations.

Common Options Used in Wastewater Facilities

Auxiliary Pilot Contacts

Pilot contacts are available for operating secondary control circuits or for electrical interlocking with motor starters. These contacts make last and break first when the plug is engaged or disengaged. Two to five auxiliary contacts are available on Decontactors.

Lockable Plugs or Receptacles

Padlockable pawls and plug caps are available for preventing unwanted connection or disconnection of plugs. Padlockable pawls also allow the lid to be locked closed. Padlockable plug caps provide up to Type 4X watertightness.

Meltric Service

Replacement Parts

The need to replace parts is rare. However, should they be required, parts are readily available and reasonably priced. Purchasing the individual parts costs no more that buying an assembled product.

Same Day Shipping

Due to the modular design of our product and efficient customer service and factory operations, most of our orders are shipped by the next day. For a small fee, orders can be shipped the same day.

Five Year Warranty

The electrical contacts on Meltric products are warranted for five years from date of shipment. The complete product is warranted for one year from the date of shipment. Contact Meltric for a full warranty statement.