

METS2 Discussion Group 2



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Michael Forsthoffer has over 15 years of experience in the field of Turbomachinery, including field troubleshooting and consulting. He spent 4 years with John Crane, 3 of which consisted of being the on-site Seal Reliability Engineer at Hovensa Refinery, St. Croix, VI. He is currently working as a Rotating Equipment Specialist for Forsthoffer Associates, Inc. and has been involved in projects, troubleshooting and training worldwide.



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Chris Holt is the Lead Rotating Equipment Engineer for Qatargas. He earned a BS in mechanical engineering from Louisiana Tech University and an MS in mechanical engineering from Texas A&M University. Chris is an employee of ExxonMobil and presently seconded to joint venture Qatargas. He has authored or coauthored a few papers on the subject of rotordynamics. Mr. Holt holds three patents in the area of LNG machinery and has worked as a machinery engineer in the disk drive, rotary UPS, and oil and gas industries.