## **RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN K-FLEX USA AND RUBATEX**

L'Isolante K-FLEX purchased all interest in Nomaco K-FLEX in January 2008 and re-named the company K-FLEX USA. This purchase included the Rubatex (formerly Halstead) Insul-Tube® brand which was acquired by Nomaco K-FLEX in 2004. K-Flex USA manufactures the K-Flex Insul-Tube brand and other elastomeric insulation products and accessories in our Youngsville, NC plant and serves the North, Central and South American and Caribbean markets from this location.

The K-Flex brand is distributed worldwide through L'Isolante K-FLEX's other locations. The Insul brand product line which includes Insul-Tube®, Insul-Lock® DS and Insul-Sheet® is marketed in the Americas and Caribbean only. K-FLEX USA owns the manufacturing and marketing rights to any insulation brands that were manufactured or marketed by Halstead Industries, Rubatex, RBX Industries and Nomaco K-FLEX. All of the brands that K-Flex USA manufactures and distributes are generic equivalents, meeting the same physical properties. There would be no difference in the performance of these products.

Any specification calling out for a manufacturer such as Halstead, Rubatex or RBX or a brand that Rubatex produced should be updated to list K-FLEX USA as the acceptable manufacturer and K-Flex Insul brands as the acceptable products as Rubatex is no longer a company, Halstead Industries stopped production in 1995 and Rubatex / RBX Industries stopped production in 2004. The products produced by K-FLEX USA meet or exceed the requirements of the former manufacturers. Any approvals by third party or government agencies have been updated to list K-FLEX USA as the manufacturer and the K-Flex Insul brands.

Please contact the K-FLEX USA technical team if you have any questions regarding this transition.

