

APPLICATION BULLETIN

Customer: Greenville Utilities Commission (GUC)

Application: Storage of nuts and bolts, PVC and galvanized elbows, regulators and meters

Product: ROPAK™ 45"x48" and 64.5"x 48" containers



Problem: Parts were being stored in galvanized wire baskets and wooden containers that wouldn't hold their shape. The wooden containers would start rotting only after a few years and the wire baskets were getting bent by forklift blades and they rusted quickly. GUC had to continually spend valuable time and money replacing them.

Solution: Greenville Utilities service center purchased several 45"x 48" and 64.5"x 48" high-density polyethylene containers. The ROPAK containers are located in the warehouse and in the open yard. They are stacked two to three high, so the crews simply open the drop doors and pull the stock they need.

Results: ROPAKs have yielded substantial savings in money and time for GUC. The real test came when Hurricane Floyd ravaged the area. The hurricane devastated almost everything in sight, but the ROPAKs stood strong. They protected the materials inside with their open construction and built-in ventilation when other packaging was swept away or literally fell apart. GUC was so impressed with the long life and durability of ROPAK containers, they immediately doubled their existing order to store their salvaged stock and to prepare for future disasters like Floyd.

