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Coupler Application Data Inquiry

Company		Phone #	
Contact		Fax #	
Address		E-mail	
City	State	Country	Zip
Type & brand name for current co	oupler		
Customer product manufactured			
	Type of coup	ler required	
Size and type of tube or port to be	e sealed		
☐ Straight ☐ Swaged	□ Expanded	□ Other	
Length of tube or port available for	or coupler		
Quantity required			
Delivery due date			
He	ow will the cou	upler be used?	
Refrigerant processing What type of refrigerant? (Oil processing What type of oil (Mineral, F Leak Burst testing Maximum pressure & type Vacuum What level of vacuum need What Oil be present during If "yes", what type of oil?	Polyol Ester, PA of test media? ds to be achieve y vacuum pump	G, etc.) (Air, Helium, etc.) ed? down?	(Attach MSDS

Along with your request for quote, please provide (1) copy of print showing area to be sealed, and (3) quality sample parts.



GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Production Control Units Series HFC-134a BalLoc Coupler, Model 87, is designed for easy installation onto the SAE J639 high side process fitting. Use the Model 87 Coupler for evacuation or refrigerant charging with de minimus refrigerant loss to atmosphere from the Coupler.

These tough, compact, lightweight PCU couplers utilize heat-treated parts for interchangeability and long life oxide and nickel finishes resist corrosion. They provide a large, unrestricted flow rate for a variety of production uses while minimizing process material loss during coupling/uncoupling.

A six (6) ball detent lock provides instant positive coupling. Simply pull back the grooved locking ring on the coupler, slide the coupler over the high-side fitting and push together until the lock ring snaps to it's "lock position".

Because of the unique design of the Series HFC-134a BalLoc Couplers, they are able to be built using inexpensive O-ring seals which provide positive leaktight shutoff. They will hold pressure from vacuum to 500 psig.

COUPLER FEATURES & SPECIFICATIONS

SAFE: Positive ball-lock action prevents blow-off or premature loss of sealed connection.

STRONG: Holds pressures form 25 microns up to 500 psig, minimum proof pressure 4000 psig.

The standard Series HFC-134a Coupler incorporates Buna-N seals for HFC-134a with lubricants.

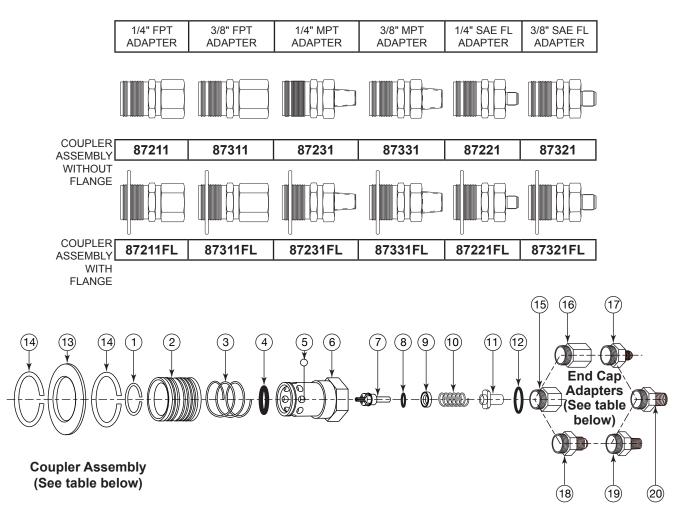
MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

Coupler life is dependent upon a regular scheduled maintenance program. The application and its risk potential should determine frequency. PCU cannot determine a maintenance schedule due to the many factors involved: temperature, proper size selection, fluid compatibility, pressure, mechanical loads, user responsibility. User must establish a maintenance program based on previous service life. There are several factors that must be included when setting up a maintenance program: visual inspection for cracked, defective parts and excessively worn components; dirt or particle buildup in seal and clamping areas; thorough cleaning and proper lubrication; replace worn out and defective seals.

SERIES HFC-134A COUPLERS

The basic Series HFC-134a coupler, less end cap adapter, consists of eleven parts, which must be assembled in correct order to assure proper functioning of the unit. Although all units are tested in our plant at 500 psig air and less than 50 microns vacuum, Production Control Units, Inc. cannot be responsible for any malfunction of the Series HFC-134a Coupler due to faulty servicing of the unit in the field by people other than PCU filed engineers.

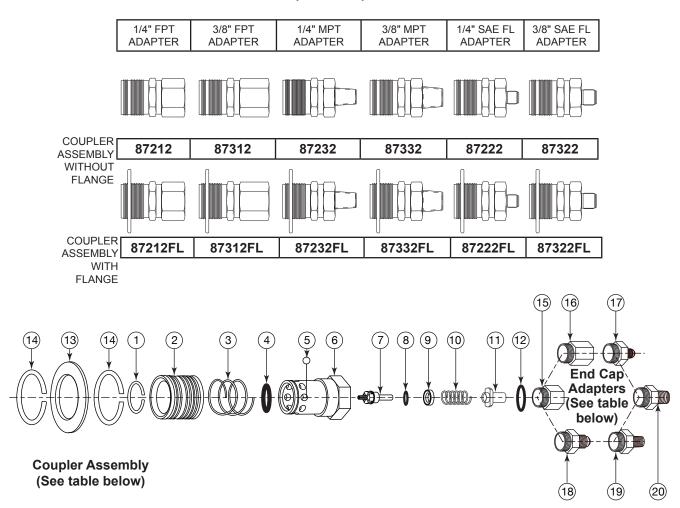
HFC-134a REFRIGERANT SEALS



End Cap Adapters					
15. 86014 - 1/4" FPT					
16.	86017 - 3/8" FPT	19.	86016 - 1/4" MPT		
17.	86015 - 1/4" SAE FL	20.	86019 - 3/8" MPT		

	Coupler Assembly HFC-134a REFRIGERANT SEALS						
1.	1. Retaining Ring 87004 8. Valve O-Ring 86012						
2.	Sleeve	87002	9. O-Ring Retainer	86010			
3.	Coupler Sleeve Spring	87001	10. Coupler Valve Spring	86007			
4.	Seal O-Ring	87011	11. Perch	86008			
5.	Ball (6) Req'd	87003	12. End Cap O-Ring	86013			
6.	Coupler Body	87006	13. Flange	47921			
7.	Coupler Valve Stem	87009	14. Retaining Ring	66814			

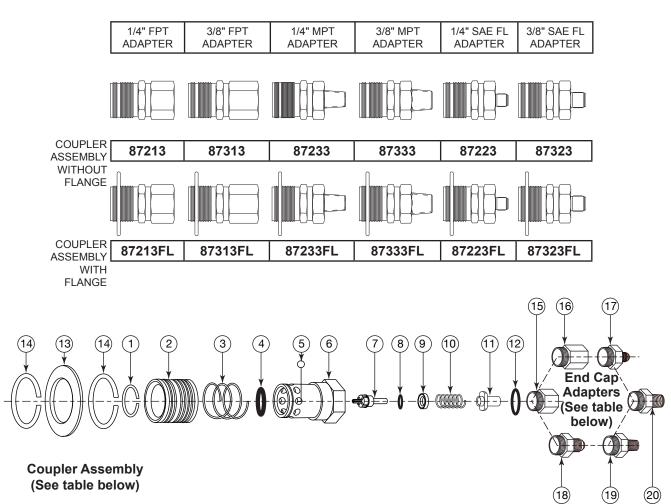
BUNA-N (NITRILE) SEALS



End Cap Adapters				
15. 86014 - 1/4" FPT				
16.	86017 - 3/8" FPT	19.	86016 - 1/4" MPT	
17.	86015 - 1/4" SAE FL	20.	86019 - 3/8" MPT	

	Coupler Assembly BUNA-N (NITRILE) SEALS					
1.	Retaining Ring	87004	8. Valve O-Ring	86012		
2.	Sleeve	87002	9. O-Ring Retainer	86010		
3.	Coupler Sleeve Spring	87001	10. Coupler Valve Spring	86007		
4.	Seal O-Ring	87011	11. Perch	86008		
5.	Ball (6) Req'd	87003	12. End Cap O-Ring	86013		
6.	Coupler Body	87006	13. Flange	47921		
7.	Coupler Valve Stem	87009	14. Retaining Ring	66814		

FLUOROCARBON SEALS

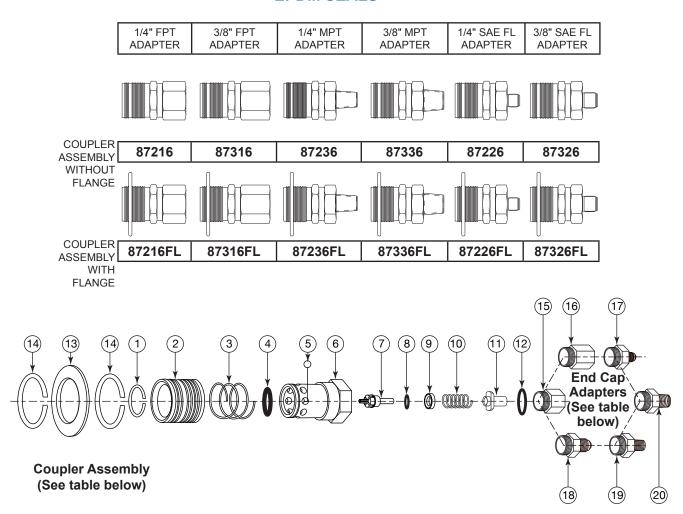


End Cap Adapters					
15.	15. 86014 - 1/4" FPT				
16.	86017 - 3/8" FPT	19.	86016 - 1/4" MPT		
17.	86015 - 1/4" SAE FL	20.	86019 - 3/8" MPT		

	Coupler Assembly FLUOROCARBON SEALS						
1.	1. Retaining Ring 87004 8. Valve O-Ring 55014						
2.	Sleeve	87002	9. O-Ring Retainer	86010			
3.	Coupler Sleeve Spring	87001	10. Coupler Valve Spring	86007			
4.	Seal O-Ring	87030	11. Perch	86008			
5.	Ball (6) Req'd	87003	12. End Cap O-Ring	61852			
6.	Coupler Body	87006	13. Flange	47921			
7.	Coupler Valve Stem	87009	14. Retaining Ring	66814			

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EPDM SEALS

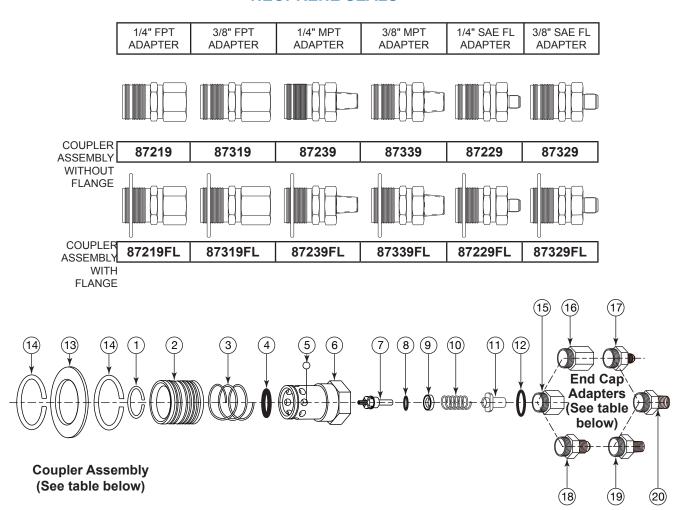


End Cap Adapters					
15. 86014 - 1/4" FPT					
16.	86017 - 3/8" FPT	19.	86016 - 1/4" MPT		
17.	86015 - 1/4" SAE FL	20.	86019 - 3/8" MPT		

	Coupler Assembly EPDM SEALS						
1.	1. Retaining Ring 87004 8. Valve O-Ring 55016						
2.	Sleeve	87002	9. O-Ring Retainer	86010			
3.	Coupler Sleeve Spring	87001	10. Coupler Valve Spring	86007			
4.	Seal O-Ring	87031	11. Perch	86008			
5.	Ball (6) Req'd	87003	12. End Cap O-Ring	61871			
6.	Coupler Body	87006	13. Flange	47921			
7.	Coupler Valve Stem	87009	14. Retaining Ring	66814			

NEOPRENE SEALS

SERIES HFC-134a BalLoc Coupler Model 87 (High Side)



	End Cap Adapters					
15.	86014 - 1/4" FPT	18.	86018 - 3/8" SAE FL			
16.	86017 - 3/8" FPT	19.	86016 - 1/4" MPT			
17.	86015 - 1/4" SAE FL	20.	86019 - 3/8" MPT			

	Coupler Assembly NEOPRENE SEALS						
1.	1. Retaining Ring 87004 8. Valve O-Ring 55012						
2.	Sleeve	87002	9. O-Ring Retainer	86010			
3.	Coupler Sleeve Spring	87001	10. Coupler Valve Spring	86007			
4.	Seal O-Ring	87032	11. Perch	86008			
5.	Ball (6) Req'd	87003	12. End Cap O-Ring	61822			
6.	Coupler Body	87006	13. Flange	47921			
7.	Coupler Valve Stem	87009	14. Retaining Ring	66814			

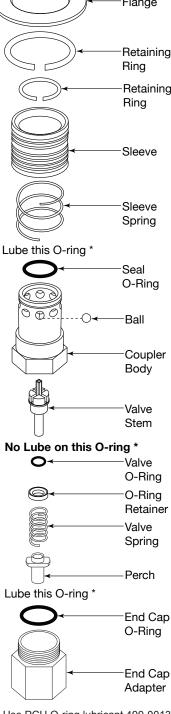


Retaining Ring Flange Retaining Rina Retaining Ring Sleeve

SERIES 250 COUPLER ASSEMBLY

DISASSEMBLY - COUPLER

Holding the coupler assembly in one hand, pull the sleeve back with thumb and forefinger of same hand to expose the end of the coupler body. Using retaining ring pliers (PCU Part # A-21599) or a pointed tool, pry the retaining ring from the groove on the coupler body. Set aside. Remove coupler sleeve and spring over a shop rag or towel to keep balls from rolling away. Remove balls and set aside. Place coupler body in a vise clamping on the hex. Use a 1" open-end wrench (or equivalent) on end cap adapter. Loosen until the end cap adapter can be removed by hand. Remove the coupler assembly from the vise. Tilt the coupler body down and slide out the valve assembly. (Note: Tap valve assembly loose if stuck.) Check and remove perch, spring, O-ring retainer, and valve O-ring from valve stem. Discard all O-rings. With a pointed tool, pry seal O-ring from inside coupler body, being careful not to scratch O-ring groove.



* Use PCU O-ring lubricant 490-00134

REASSEMBLY - COUPLER

Lubricate O-ring with PCU Lubricant #490-00134 before inserting seal O-ring in groove inside coupler body. Press firmly against inner diameter to ensure proper placement of seal. After parts have all been inspected, pick up valve stem and slide new valve O-ring over stem and upon shouldered portion of the valve stem. (Do not lube this O-ring.) Next, position the O-ring retainer behind the O-ring, making certain the cupped portion of the O-ring retainer is next to the O-ring. Slide the valve spring over the valve stem until it comes in contact with the flat side of the O-ring retainer. Slide the perch onto the valve stem, short end first, pushing it under the spring. Pick up the coupler body, holding it threaded end down, and slide the valve assembly up into the coupler body, valve stem first. Tilt the coupler body until the threaded end is pointing up, allowing the valve assembly to drop into place. Pick up the end cap adapter and screw the adapter to the coupler assembly. Set torque wrench, using approximately 35 to 40 foot lbs. torque. Turn assembly over. Insert the balls (6) into the holes in the coupler body. Use O-ring grease or petroleum jelly in ball holes to hold balls in place. Slide sleeve spring over end of coupler body; place sleeve over spring, large diameter first. Push retaining ring into groove in coupler body using fingers or you may use the small diameter of the Ball Assembly Tool and push down on the retaining ring until the retaining ring snaps into the groove on the coupler body. Remove assembly tool, if used; this completes assembly.

250 Coupler Service Tool Kit #460-00250	
625-00810	O-Ring Insertion Tool
A-21599	Retaining Ring Pliers



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