

# AFWERX Air-to-Air Refueling Mechanism (A2RM)

A New Aerial Refueling Standard Vortex Flow Technology

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# **AFWERX Air-to-Air Refueling Mechanism (A2RM)**

# System Agnostic fuel transfer hardware technology for both Boom and Probe equipped receivers

### **CHALLENGE**

- FASTER, MORE EFFICIENT REFUELING
- MAINTAIN OPS SAFETY
- MAINTAIN OPS RELIABILITY & CONTROL
- SIMPLE RETROFIT TO LEGACY SYSTEMS
- FAST DEPLOYMENT
- LOW COST AND MINIMAL MAINTENANCE

#### HOW?

- NOVEL TECHNOLOGY
- THOROUGHLY PROVEN & RELIABLE
- CONOPS COMPATIBLE
- PLATFORM AGNOSTIC
- DETAILED DATA TRACKING
- EW / CYBER IMMUNE



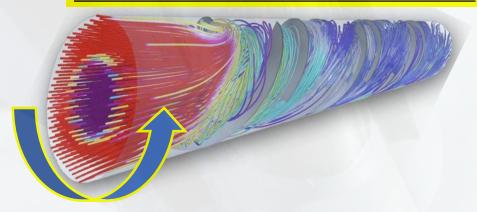
# **VORTEX TECHNICAL BREAKTHROUGH**



#### **PROBLEM**

- Laminar flow creates pipe wall and internal flowing drag
- Higher flow demands disproportionate power increases
- And/or larger pipes
- Higher flow increases pipe pressures and operating risks

## **UNLIMITED FLOW PATHS OF LEAST RESISTANCE**

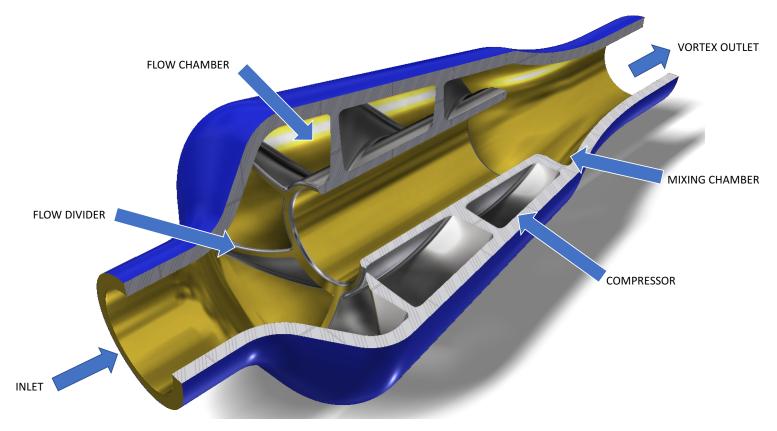


#### **SOLUTION**

- VORTEX <u>ROTATION</u> REDUCES FRICTIONAL DRAG
- FULL PIPE VOLUMETRIC CAPACITY UTILISED
- HIGHER FLOW ENABLED IN EXISTING LINES
- NO PIPE-WALL PRESSURE INCREASE



# **VORTEX AMPLIFIER CROSS-SECTION**



- No moving parts
- No energy required
- No maintenance
- Installs easily in line
- Rapid, cost-effective retrofit



# **VORTEX FLOW ADVANTAGE**

# **BASE FLOW, 4" LINE**

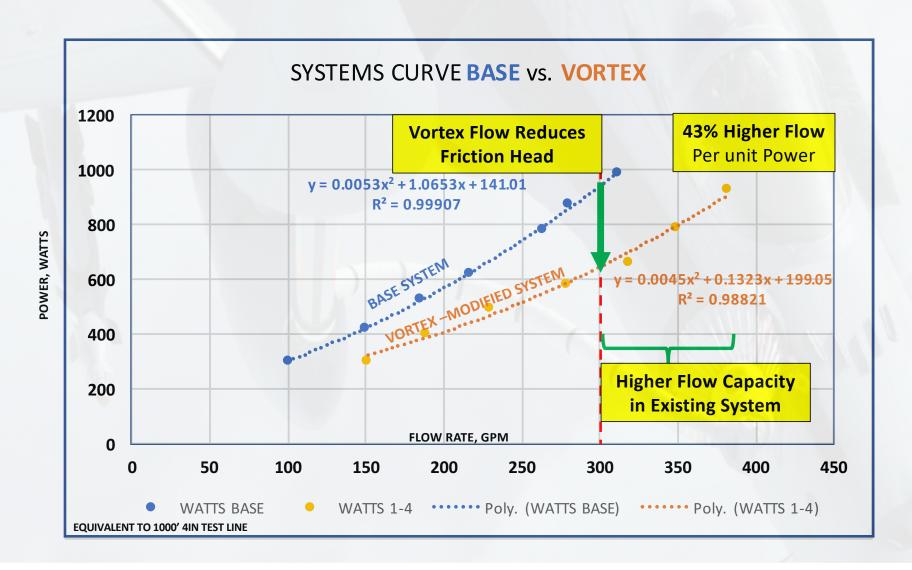


# **VORTEX FLOW, 4" LINE**



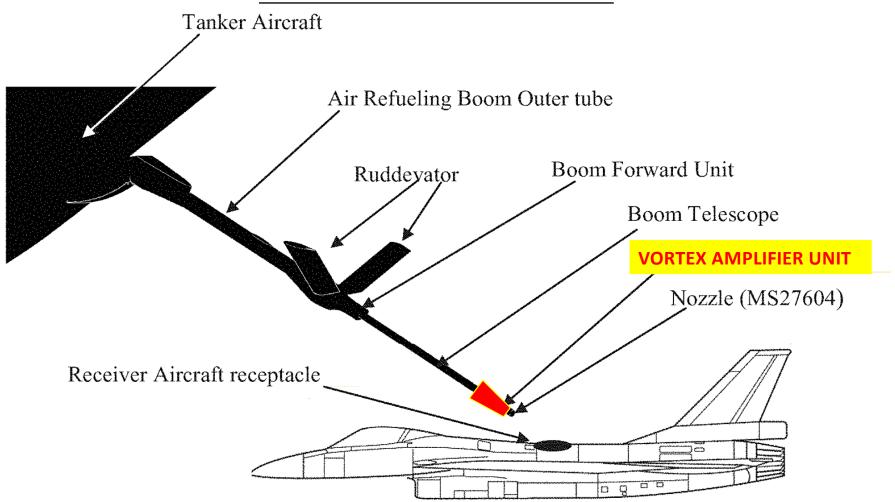


#### **VORTEX - SYSTEM CURVE TEST DATA**





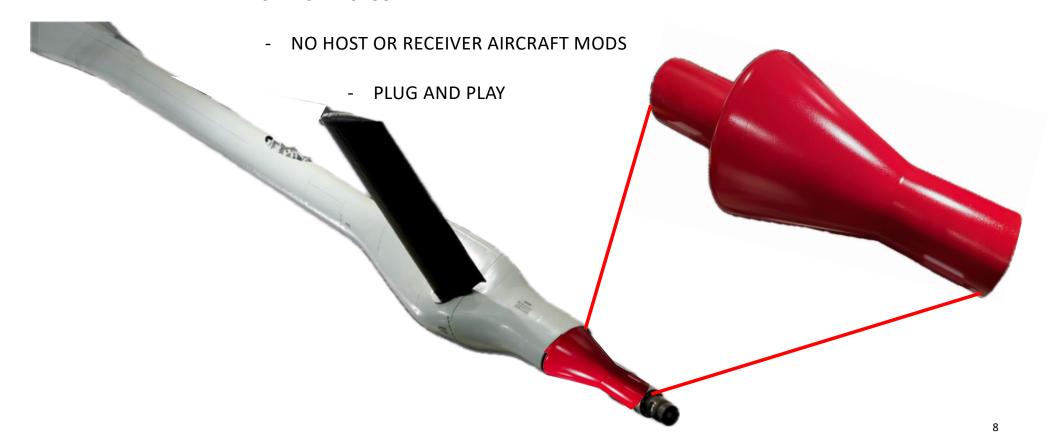
# **VORTEX AMPLIFIER FOR BOOM SYSTEMS**





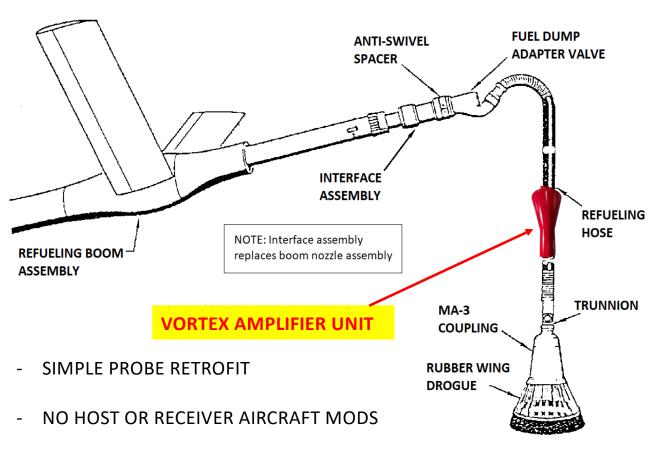
# **VORTEX AMPLIFIER FOR BOOM - DETAIL**

- SIMPLE BOOM RETROFIT
  - FULLY UARRSI COMPATIBLE





# **VORTEX AMPLIFIER FOR BOOM-DROGUE - DETAIL**





- PLUG AND PLAY

### **VORTEX FULLY MEETS THE A2RM REFUELING CHALLENGE**

- FASTER, MORE EFFICIENT REFUELING
- MAINTAIN OPS SAFETY
- MAINTAIN OPS RELIABILITY & CONTROL
- SIMPLE RETROFIT TO LEGACY SYSTEMS
- FAST DEPLOYMENT
- LOW COST
- MINIMAL MAINTENANCE



#### HOW?

- NOVEL VORTEX TECHNOLOGY
- THE NEW FLUID FLOW STANDARD
- PROVEN & RELIABLE
- PROVEN IN AG, OIL & GAS, WATER
- CONOPS COMPATIBLE
- COMPLEMENTS CURRENT PROCESSES
- PLATFORM AGNOSTIC
- FIT AND FORGET FOR ANY PLATFORM
- DETAILED DATA TRACKING
- DATA GATHERING SYSTEMS COMPATIBLE
- EW / CYBER IMMUNE













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# Thank you!

**Questions?** 

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