



**PRESS RELEASE**  
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***“Water Based PICO GUARD 17625 B Economically Protects Machinery and Metal from Corrosion under Extreme Conditions of Torch Cutting”***

**PICO Chemical Corporation** announces **PICO GUARD 17625 B**, an environmentally friendly corrosion inhibitor that will save manufacturers money by eliminating the downgrading or reprocessing corroded metal parts and protecting torch/flame cutting machinery components. This unique value-added water dilutable chemical is oil and solvent free and was developed to meet demanding industrial requirements for indoor protection of steel, non-ferrous metals and machinery from humid conditions. **PICO GUARD 17625 B** is a new technology concentrate that is easy to use, adaptable for “in-process” applications, highly effective, has no flash point and provides metal manufacturers and steel processors with a safer method for protecting metal.

**PICO GUARD 17625 B** is easily mixed with plant water, typically at economical concentrations from 5% to 25%, depending on the length of protection required. **PICO GUARD 17625 B** is normally applied by spray or immersion at room temperature in metal or plastic tanks and may be air dried to extend protection times. The concentrate can be added to water systems in CNC, laser, jet, torch or flame cutting machines. This corrosion preventive is nitrite free and does not contain heavy metals or wax, forms a clear solution, is easily cleaned, and does not leave tacky residues. After using **PICO GUARD 17625 B**, processors may weld or paint over the protective non-discernable film to produce good integral bonding.

**PICO GUARD 17625 B** is safer to use than oil or solvents and provides long economical tank life. **PICO GUARD 17625 B** can benefit job shops, metal fabricators, fastener manufacturers, machining centers, aluminum producers, laser and plasma cutting facilities, water jet cutting specialists, welders and those with “in-process” cleaning units.

**PICO GUARD 17625 B** is available in all typical package sizes including drums, pails and tote containers.

**PICO Chemical Corporation** is an ISO 9001:2000 certified manufacturer of value-enhanced specialty chemicals and lubricants to clean, condition, lubricate and protect metalworking, metal finishing and their related processes since 1976.

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Photographs showing test panels with and without **PICO GUARD 17625 B** after exposure to humidity cabinet testing accompanies this press release. 10-15-07 jfm