

## **Project Profile**

## **HOPPER CAR RESTORATION**

INDUSTRY : Power Generation

CLIENT : Salt River Project

DISTRIBUTOR : Nukote Coating Systems

CONTRACTOR : Nukote Coating Systems Affiliate

APPLICATOR : Nukote Coating Systems Affiliate

PROJECT : Hopper Car Restoration

LOCATION : Arizona, United States

SYSTEM : Nukote Metalprime II / Nukote ST

APPLICATION TYPE : Carry Back Reduction Coating

COATED AREA : 40 Hopper Cars 9,600m<sup>2</sup>

COMPLETION : April 2005

## DESCRIPTION

Salt River Project's Navajo Generating Station transports coal by rail using a dedicated train which round-trips continuously as an integral part of the power plants operation. Historically these cars have had problems with carry back for a number of reasons adding costs and lowering productivity. The purpose of the application was to reduce carry back percentage and provide additional abrasion resistance extending the life of the cars. The application scope included steel substrate preparation by abrasive blast cleaning to an SA 2.5 anchor profile, followed by application of Nukote Metalprime II primer at 40 microns dft and Nukote ST Pure Polyurea at 2,000 microns dft with a non-broadcast surface texture. The project application was performed flawlessly with a completion rate of 1-car every two-days and resulted in excellent appearance and abrasion properties. This application method is common to rail cars transporting a variety of bulk products and is also common in heavy equipment used in mining and construction.





