



Sustainable Use  
of Recycled HDPE  
for Stormwater  
Drainage

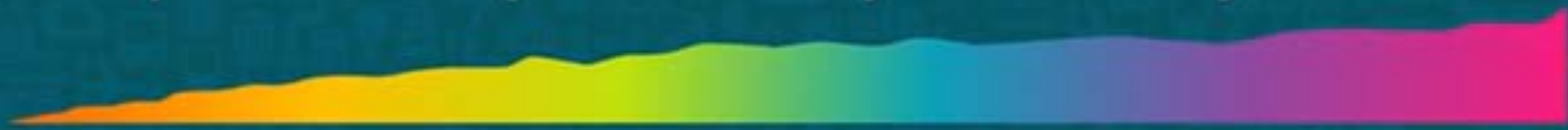
# AMERICA'S OVERALL GRADE



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<https://www.npr.org/2017/12/09/568797388/recycling-chaos-in-u-s-as-china-bans-foreign-waste>

A large pile of shredded, multi-colored plastic waste, including blue, green, yellow, and red fragments, filling the frame. The pieces are small and irregular, creating a dense, textured surface.

**1 Ton**





**5,774kWh**

A silhouette of an oil pumpjack is shown against a vibrant sunset sky. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright orange and yellow glow. The pumpjack's structure, including the walking beam and counterweights, is clearly visible in dark silhouette. A black rectangular box is overlaid on the center of the image, containing the text "685 Gal" in white.

**685 Gal**





**98MM Btu's**

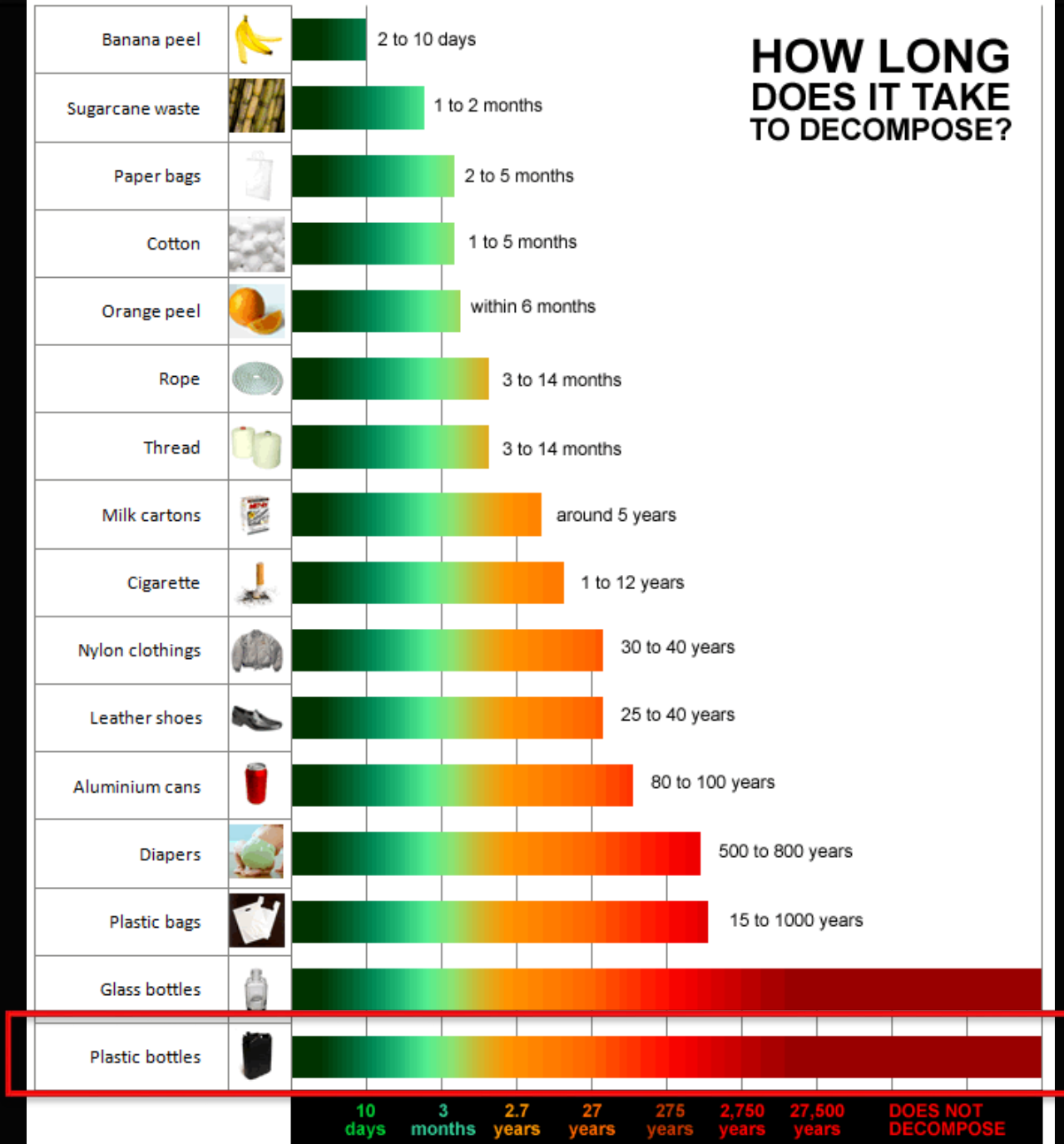




30 CY



# HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO DECOMPOSE?

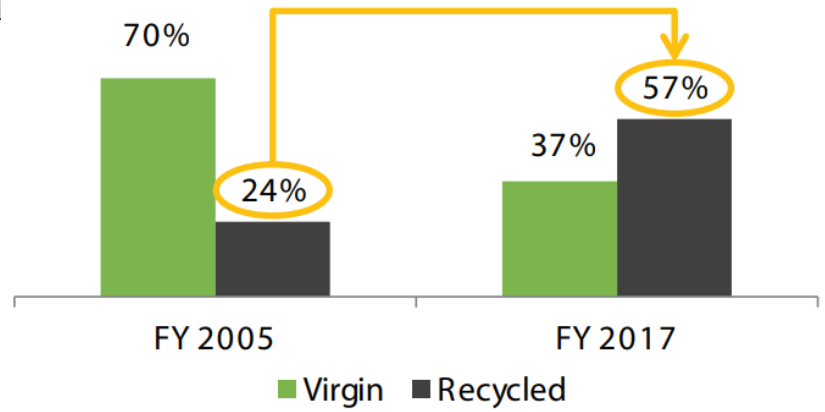
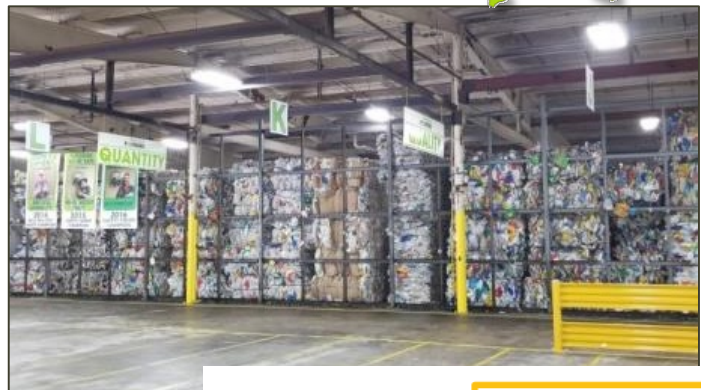
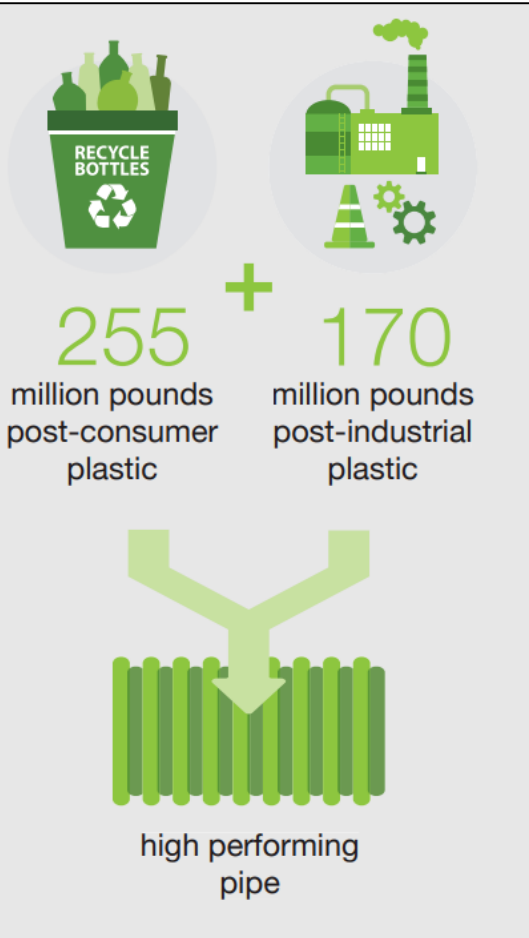




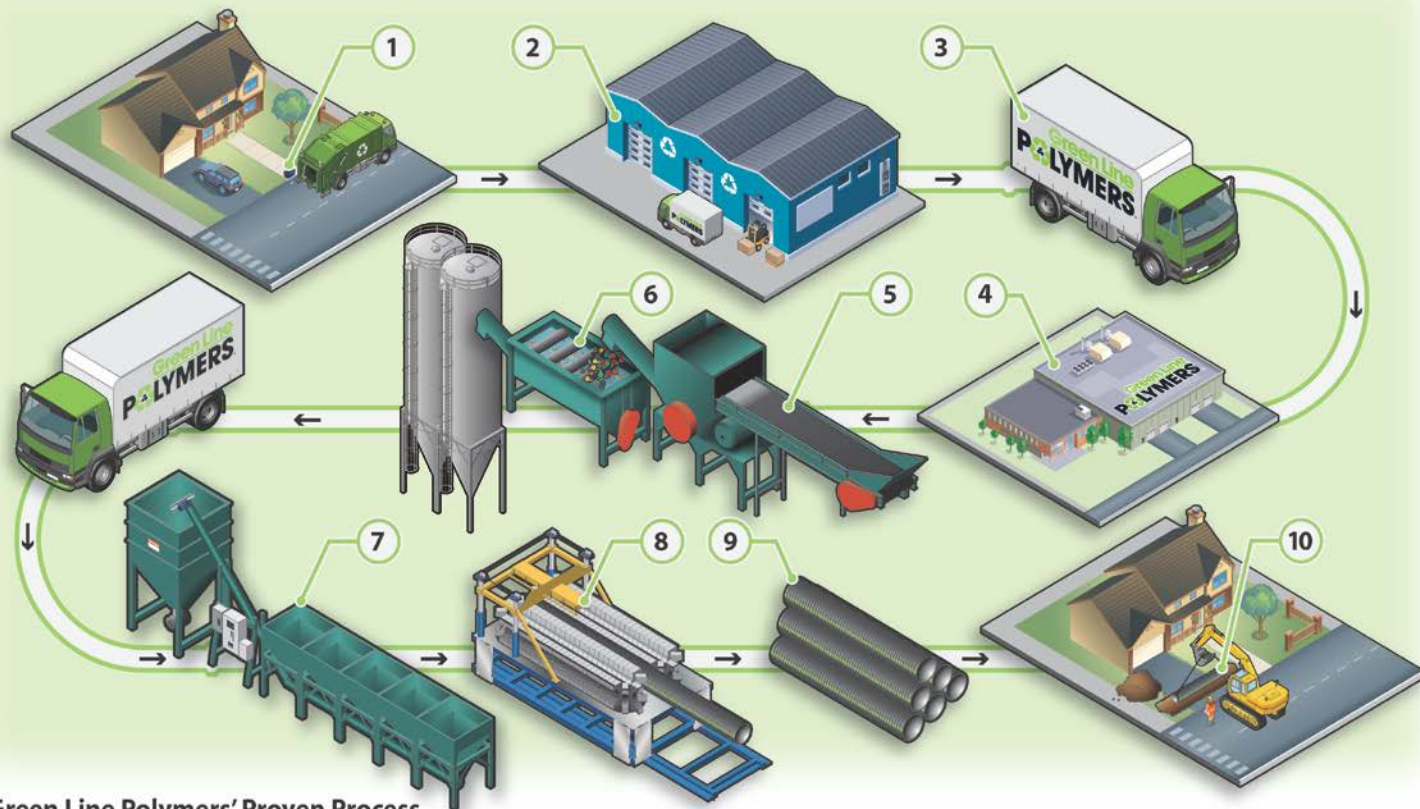




# Green Line POLYMERS







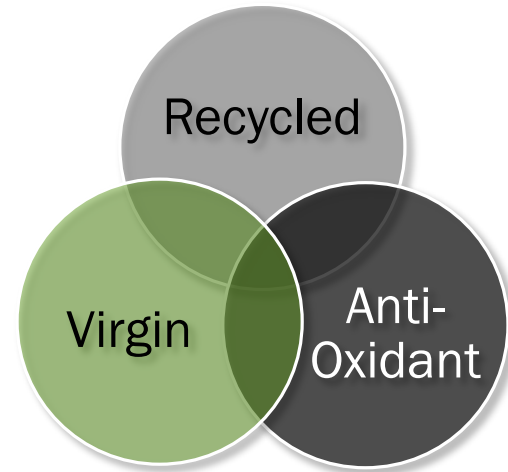
### Green Line Polymers' Proven Process

1. Post-industrial and post-consumer HDPE plastic scrap is collected by your local recycling facility.
2. Green Line Polymers sources large quantities of HDPE material which is packed into bales and loaded for transport.
3. Green Line Polymers has a full-service logistics department ready to meet your needs. Our large fleet allows us to pay a competitive price for scrap HDPE while managing the increasing costs of transportation.
4. Green Line Polymers processes a wide variety of reusable HDPE material which is used in the manufacturing of products like N-12<sup>®</sup> MEGA GREEN<sup>®</sup> pipe.
5. Once the baled material arrives at the facility, it is sorted and ground into the desired flake size.
6. Flake material is washed to rinse off any debris or contaminants, ensuring a clean material for production.
7. The clean flake is dried and blended proportionately to create the desired resin quality.
8. The mixture is then extruded into corrugated molds to create top quality, uniform pipe.
9. Green Line Polymers allows for your post-industrial and post-consumer HDPE material to be recycled directly into environmentally-friendly products rather than a landfill.
10. From beginning to end, Green Line Polymers' complete recycling process provides sustainable solutions and quality products for your project.

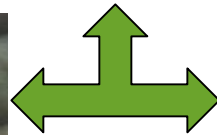
**Green Line**  
**POLYMERS**



Recycled HDPE Pellets



Virgin HDPE Pellets



Carbon Black Pellets



## ***NCHRP Project 4-32 – Performance of Corrugated Pipe Manufactured with Recycled Content***

- \$350,000
- Completed in 2011 and published in NCHRP Report 696

## ***NCHRP Project 4-39 – Field Performance of Corrugated HDPE Pipes Manufactured with Recycled Materials***

- \$600,000
- Completed in 2016 and published in NCHRP 870

## ***Evaluation of Corrugated HDPE Pipes Manufactured with Recycled Materials in Commuter Railroad Applications***

- PhD Dissertation, published by Michael Pluimer, PhD in 2016

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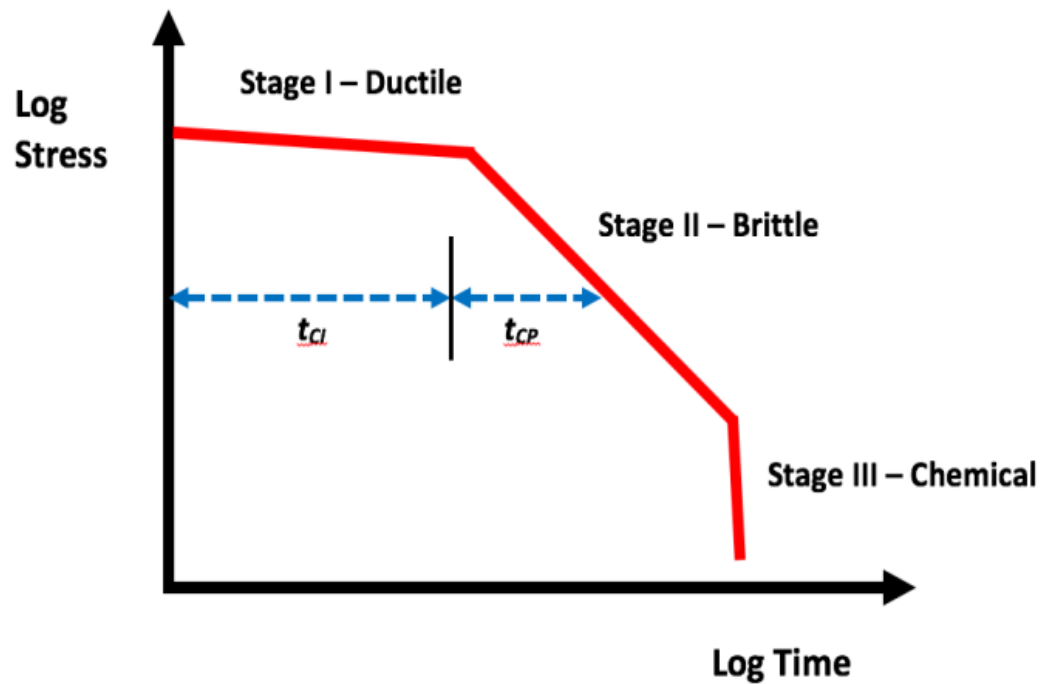
## Highlights of Research

- Recommendations to include recycled HDPE content in pipe manufactured per AASHTO M294
- Must meet or exceed current virgin resin requirements
- Criteria to ensure 100-year service life established





# Service Life

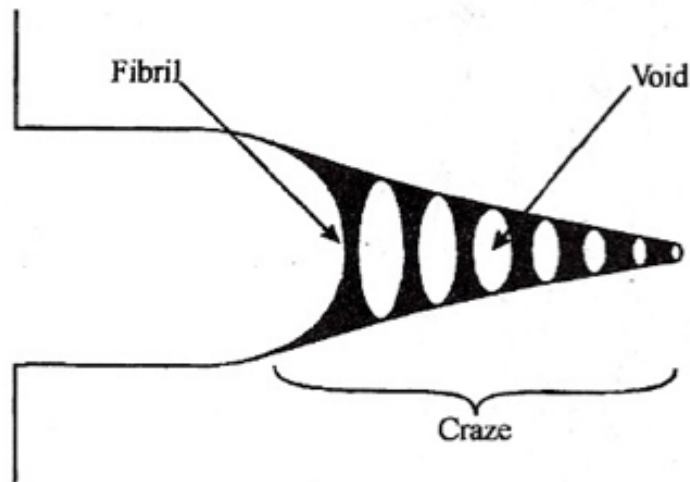


## Creep

$$t_{CCG} = t_{CI} + t_{CP}$$

## Fatigue

$$N_{FCG} = N_{CI} + N_{CP}$$



Notched  
Tests

$$t_{SCG} = t_{CI} + t_{CP}$$

where

$t_{SCG}$  = total time for slow crack growth

$t_{CI}$  = time for crack initiation

$t_{CP}$  = time for crack propagation

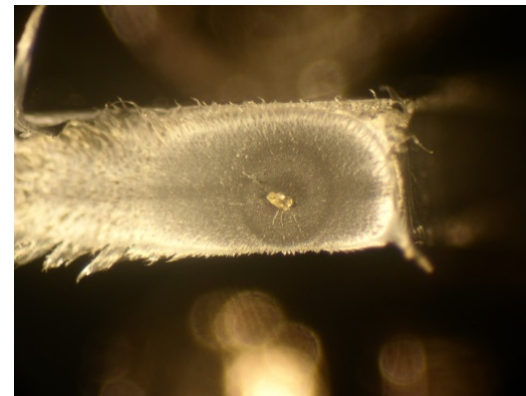




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## Standard Test Method for The Un-notched, Constant Ligament Stress Crack Test (UCLS) for HDPE Materials Containing Post- Consumer Recycled HDPE<sup>1</sup>

This standard is issued under the fixed designation F3181; the number immediately following the designation indicates the year of original adoption or, in the case of revision, the year of last revision. A number in parentheses indicates the year of last reapproval. A superscript epsilon ( $\epsilon$ ) indicates an editorial change since the last revision or reapproval.



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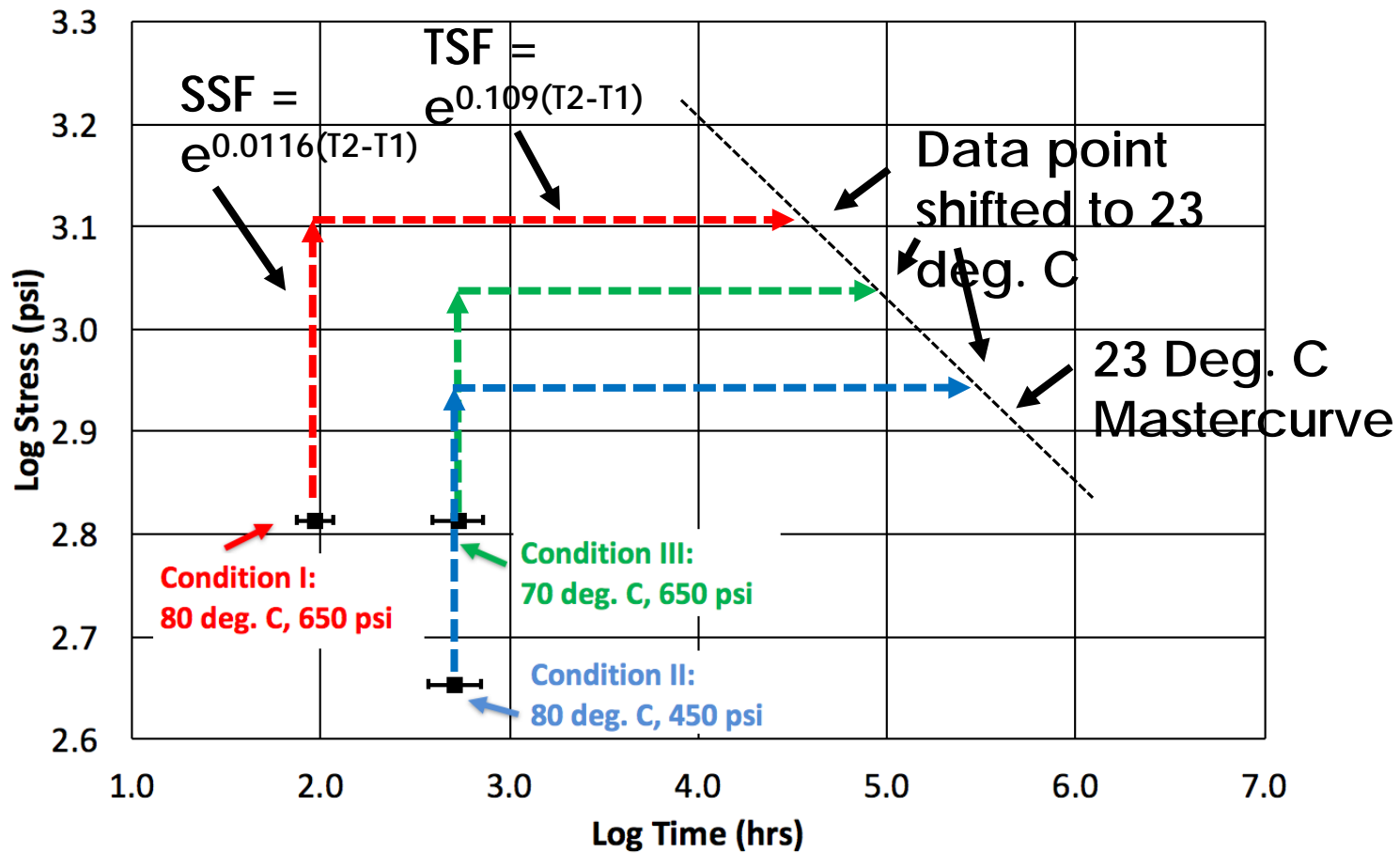
$$\text{Stress Shift Factor} = e^{0.0116(T_2 - T_1)}$$

$$\text{Time Shift Factor} = e^{0.109(T_2 - T_1)}$$

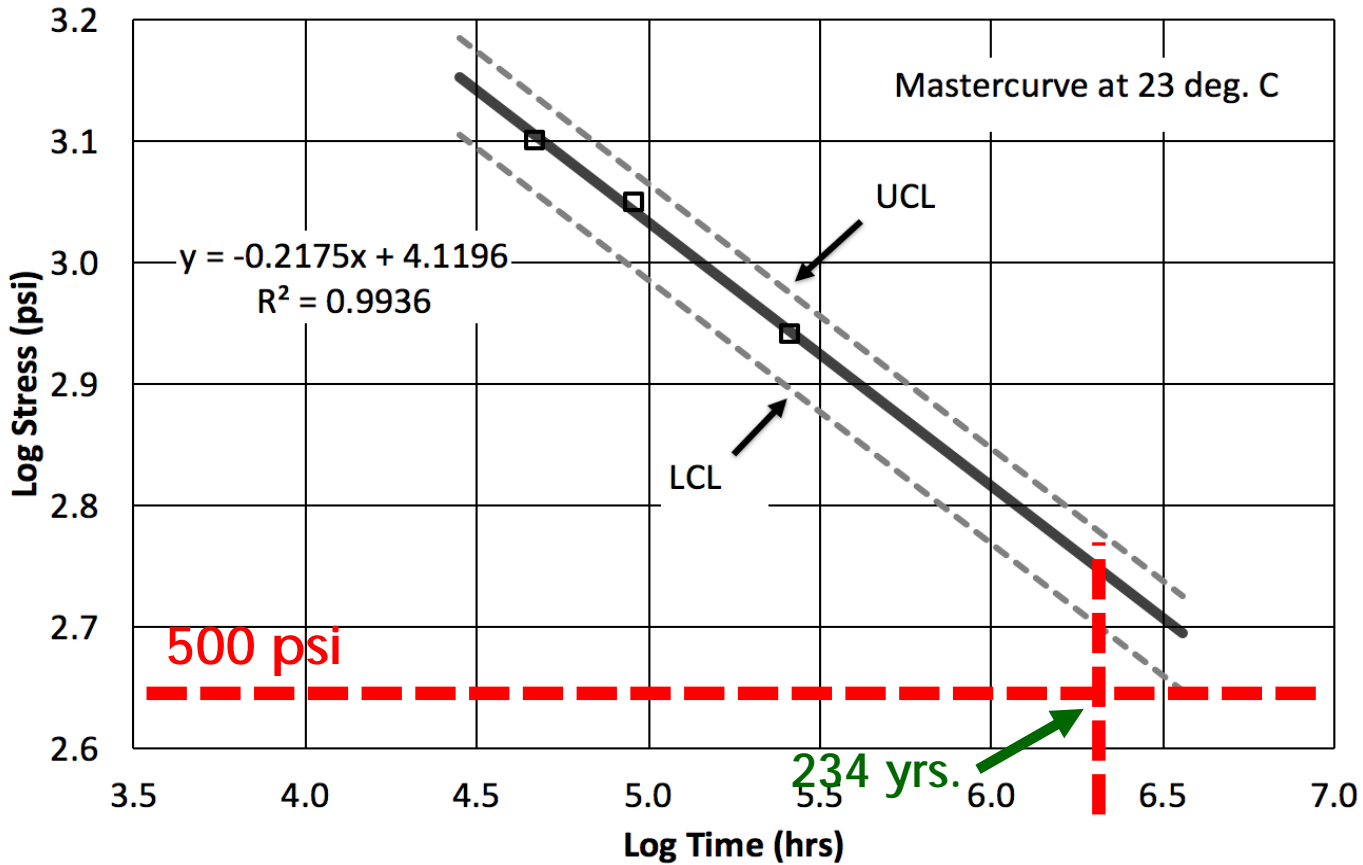
Rate Process Method:

$$\log t = A + \frac{B}{T} + \frac{C \log S}{T}$$





# Service Life Prediction Illustration





## Lab Constant Stress ( Ohio University )



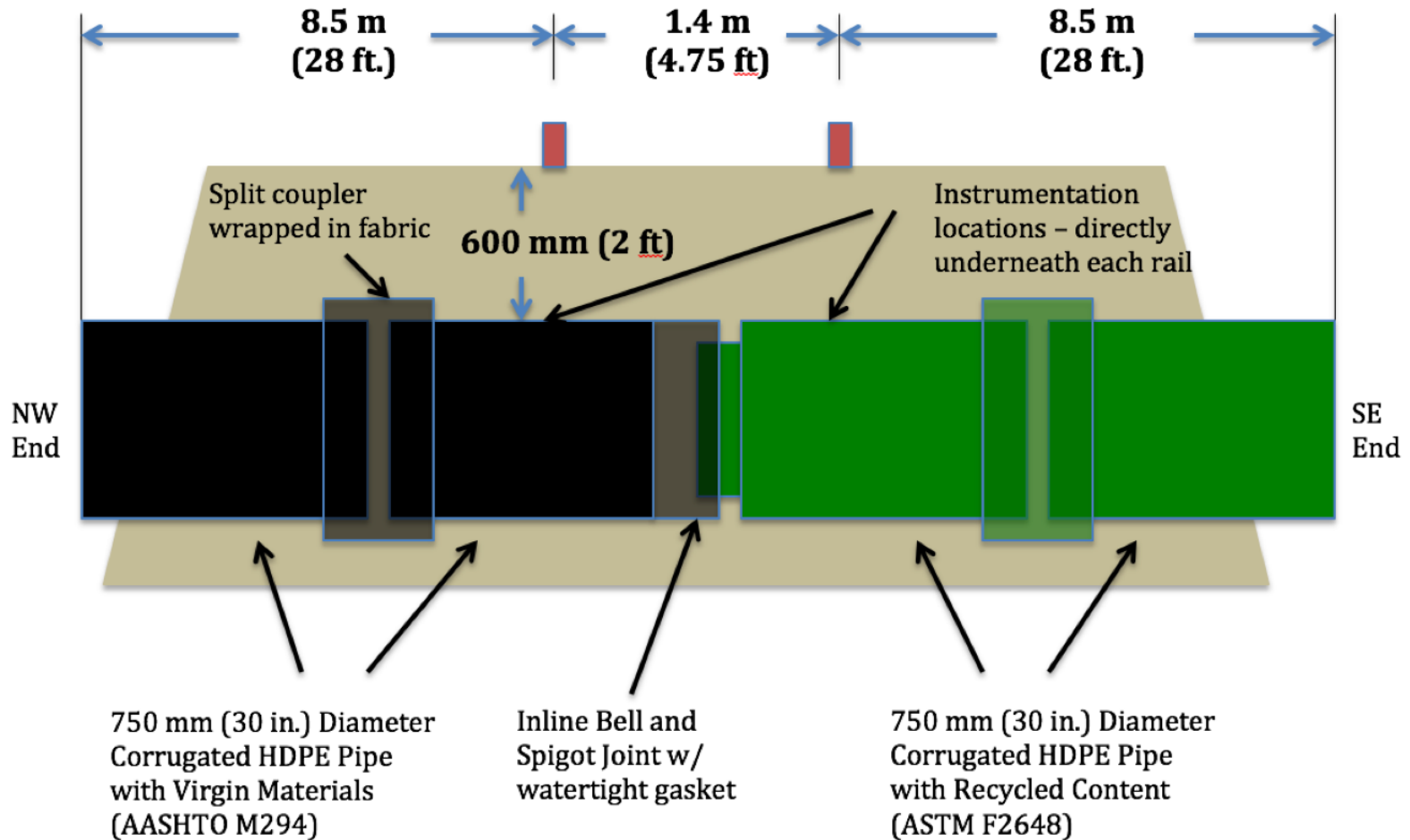
## Simulated Field Installation ( TRI Load Cell )



Pipe	Description	PCR	Predicted Time to Cracking	Actual Time to First Cracking
Pipe 1	30 in. M294 pipe	0%	> 2 yrs.	> 1 yr. - No cracks
Pipe 2	30 in. F2648 pipe	49%	> 2 yrs.	> 1 yr. - No cracks
Pipe 3	30 in. Custom pipe	98%	58 – 148 days	101 days
Pipe 4	30 in. F2648 pipe	49%	1.4 – 3.1 yrs.	> 1 yr. - No cracks
Pipe 5	30 in. M294 pipe	0%	> 2 yrs.	> 1 yr. - No cracks
Pipe 6	30 in. Custom pipe	98%	71 – 220 days	185 days
Pipe 7	30 in. Custom pipe	98%	73 – 172 days	185 days
Pipe 8	30 in. F2648 pipe	54%	203 - 578 days	> 306 d - No cracks
Pipe 9	30 in. F2648 pipe	59%	139 – 357 days	300 days

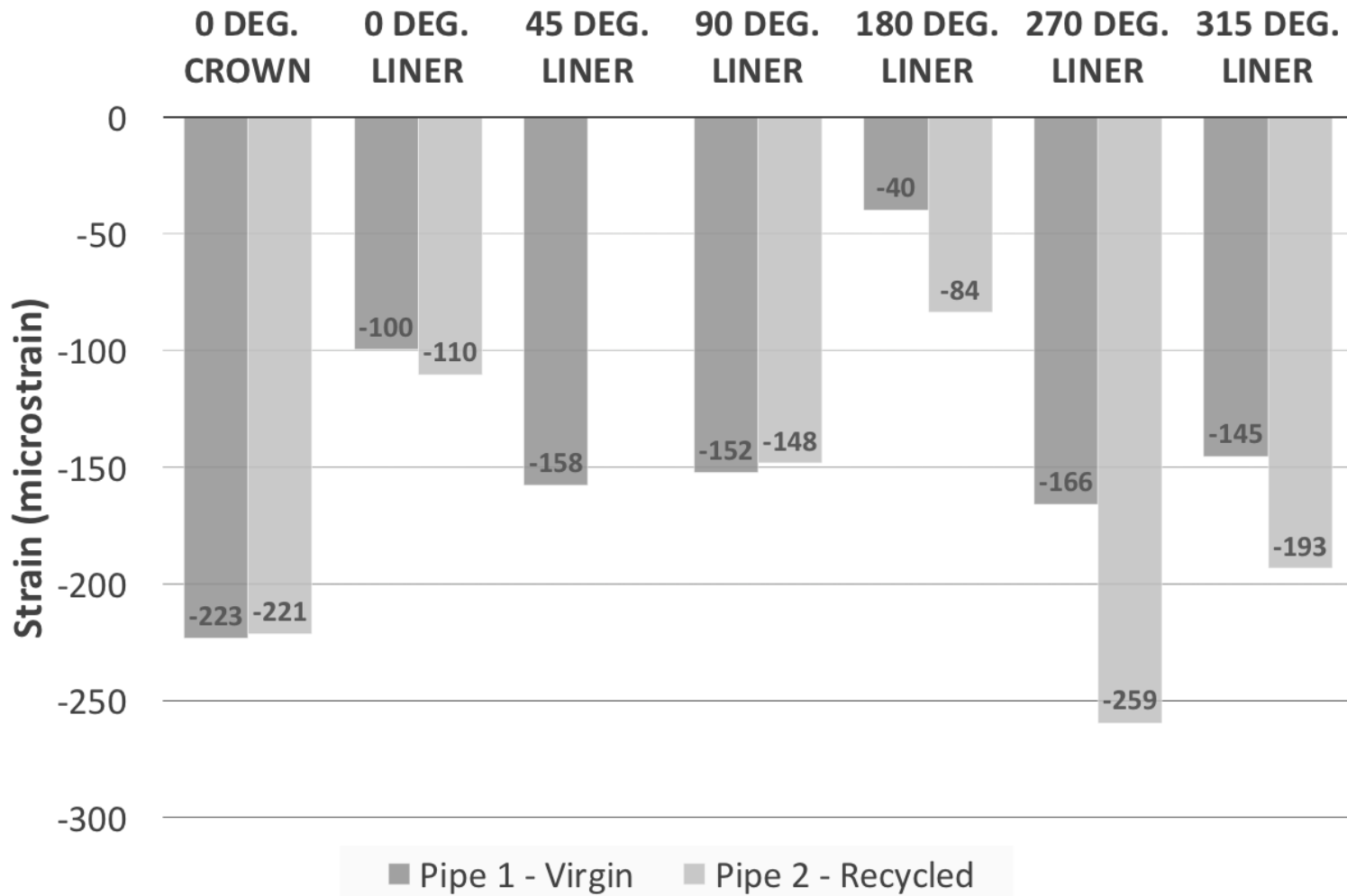


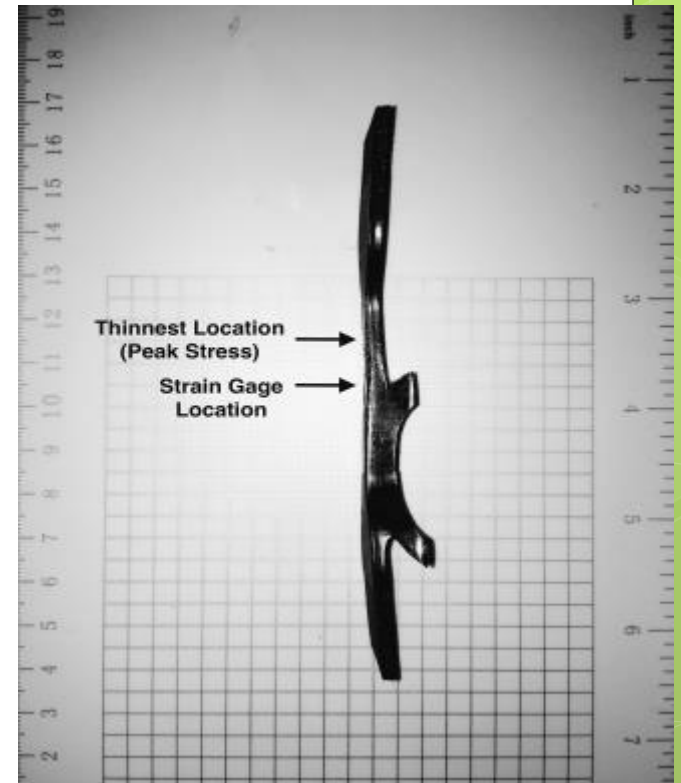
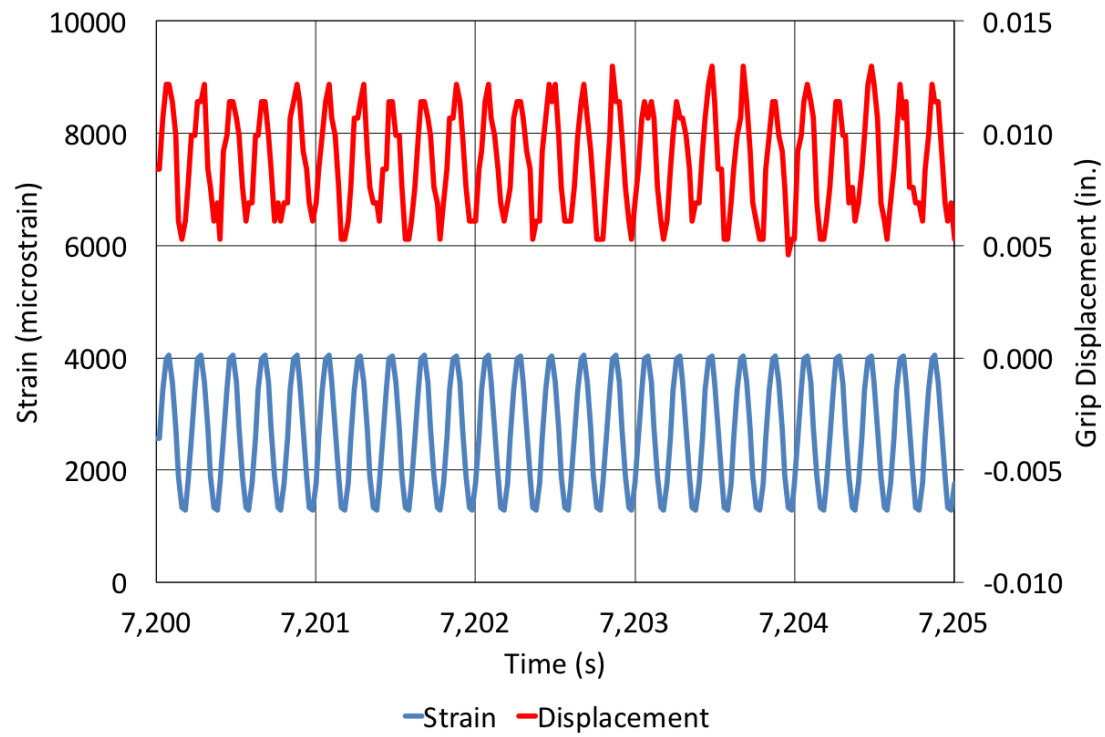














Pipe	Spec	PCR, %	Dynamic Grip Displacement, mm (in.)	Peak-Peak Dynamic Strain, microstrain	Number of Cycles, millions	Results
1	1-1	0	+/- 0.05 (0.002)	1200	1.0	No cracking
2	2-1	49	+/- 0.05 (0.002) +/- 0.13 (0.005)	1200 – 1 <sup>st</sup> million 2700 – 2 <sup>nd</sup> million	2.0	No cracking
4	4-1	49	+/- 0.05 (0.002)	1200	6.4	No cracking
	4-1	49	+/- 0.05 (0.002)	1200	10.0	No cracking

**Standard Recommended Practice for  
Service Life Determination of  
Corrugated HDPE Pipes  
Manufactured with Recycled  
Materials**

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**Thank You**

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