## **Semi-Crystalline Products**



# **Case Study**

## Air intake manifold made from Durethan® BKV 30 HTS



Figure 1 Air intake manifold

Durethan<sup>®</sup> BKV 30 HTS from LANXESS is a highly stabilized resin for use in components subjected to high temperatures, such as the air intake manifold from <u>Poschmann Union</u> shown in Fig. 1.

A characteristic of this resin is its increased resistance to thermal oxidation, which reduces the formation of microcracks on the surface. It also has long-term resistance to aggressive gases and media such as fuels, lubricants and combustion products.

The impact-resistant, **H**igh-**T**emperature-**S**tabilized (HTS) polyamide also exhibits very good mechanical properties even when used at constant service temperatures of 150 °C (with peaks up to 190 °C) and subjected to fluctuating compressive stresses.

Material: Durethan® BKV 30 HTS

Molder: Poschmann Union, Germany

**Industry:** Automotive

The air intake manifold shown here has a bursting pressure resistance of over 6 bar. It is produced by assembly injection molding. This is an injection molding process in which the individual components are positively and inseparably interlocked with the basic resin.

Durethan<sup>®</sup> BKV 30 HTS boasts not only exceptional resistance to heat and chemicals, but also an excellent surface quality. Thanks to the good coatability of this material, individual components in the engine compartment can be made to stand out.

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Where end-use requirements permit, regrind may be used with virgin material in quantities specified in individual product information bulletins, provided that the material is kept free of contamination and is properly dried (see maximum permissible quantities and drying conditions in product information bulletins). Any regrind used must be generated from properly molded/extruded parts, sprues, runners, trimmings and/or film. All regrind used must be clean, uncontaminated, and thoroughly blended with virgin resin prior to drying and processing. Under no circumstances should degraded, discolored, or contaminated material be used for regrind. Materials of this type should be discarded. Improperly mixed and/or dried regrind may diminish the desired properties of a particular LANXESS product. It is critical that you test finished parts produced with any amount of regrind to ensure that your end-use performance requirements are fully met. Regulatory or testing organizations (e.g., UL) may have specific requirements limiting the allowable amount of regrind. Because third party regrind generally does not have a traceable heat history or offer any assurance that proper temperatures, conditions, and/or materials were used in processing, extreme caution must be exercised in buying and using regrind from third parties. The use of regrind material should be avoided entirely in those applications where resin properties equivalent to virgin material are required, including but not limited to color quality, impact strength, resin purity, and/or load-bearing performance.

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