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## **METAL MATES AS-99**

### **An innovative gel to prevent weld spatter build up**

Glenview, IL – May 15, 2006 – METAL MATES AS-99 is an easily applied Anti-Spatter Compound designed to prevent weld spatter build up on weld fixtures and other related equipment. This creamy white paste protects fixtures by forming a solid impenetrable film.

METAL MATES AS-99 is supplied ready to use and dries in two hours. Operators only need to apply 2 to 4 millimeters of this paste to prevent spatter from building up on weld fixtures and other equipment. Most weld fixtures are intended to fit gauges and repetitive weld assemblies. As weld slag occurs from high temperatures (1200°F), molten metal falls onto the gauge and sticks, causing parts to misgauge. METAL MATES AS-99 Anti-Spatter Compound will prevent the slag buildup and prevent misgauged parts.

METAL MATES AS-99 is available in 5, 55 and 330 gallon containers.

METAL MATES manufactures a full line of water based stamping lubricants in an ISO 9001 chemical blending plant in DeWitt Iowa. METAL MATES was acquired last November by ITW ROCOL North America. More information on the different product lines is available on ITW ROCOL North America website at [www.rocolnorthamerica.com](http://www.rocolnorthamerica.com).