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ABSTRACT

This standard provides guidelines for the design, rating and application of globoidal wormgearing mounted with axes at a 90 degree angle. Specific definitions for globoidal wormgearing terms are presented, along with formulas for determining the geometric sizes of the major features for the worm and gear. Design considerations, design procedures, gear blanks and self-locking conditions are also discussed. Procedures for rating the load capacity of globoidal wormgearing are included.

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Foreword

[The foreword, footnotes and annexes, if any, in this document are provided for informational purposes only and are not to be construed as a part of ANSI/AGMA Standard 6035-A02, *Design, Rating and Application of Industrial Globoidal Wormgearing*.]

This standard revises, combines and supersedes two previous independent standards: ANSI/AGMA 6030-C87, *Design of Industrial Double-Enveloping Wormgears*, and ANSI/AGMA 6017-E86, *Rating and Application of Single and Multiple Reduction Double-Enveloping Worm and Helical-Worm Speed Reducers*. It presents guidelines and practices for the design, rating and application for industrial globoidal wormgearing.

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1 Scope

This standard provides guidelines for the design, rating and application of globoidal wormgearing mounted with axes at a 90 degree angle. This type of gearing is called double enveloping wormgearing in the United States, but the term globoidal is more commonly used worldwide.

This standard discusses the two main categories of globoidal wormgearing manufactured in industry today: the traditional Hindley designs, and the more recently developed full contact designs. The standard presents the formulas for calculating general gearset proportions for the globoidal designs and a rating procedure for Hindley designs. It does not provide a detailed or complete procedure for the design of gearsets and the cutting tools required.

Globoidal wormgearing of the Hindley design has been used in industrial applications for over 200 years. The manufacturers of Hindley wormgearing have each designed and built their own tooling to manufacture the gearing. The Hindley design uses a common base circle to form all of the tooth profiles. The worm thread is generated by a cutting edge (line) rotating in a single plane.

The more recently developed full contact designs do not use a constant base circle to form the tooth profiles. The worm thread is generated in multiple planes by a generating surface. The manufacturers of full contact gearing have each conducted their own research, and the details of their designs are proprietary to each company. This design may provide increased load carrying capability over the

Hindley design, but a standard rating method for full contact designs has not been established.

1.1 Types of reducers

This standard provides information pertaining to globoidal wormgear speed reducers of the following specific types:

- single reduction reducers incorporating globoidal wormgearing;
- multiple reduction reducers incorporating globoidal wormgearing in each stage of reduction;
- the wormgear portion of multiple reduction reducers incorporating globoidal wormgearing with other types of gearing.

1.2 Speed limitation

The velocity factor table in this standard provides data for sliding velocities up to 6000 feet per minute. For velocities in excess of 6000 feet per minute, the manufacturer should be consulted.

Where the sliding velocity of the worm thread exceeds 2000 feet per minute, additional consideration must be given to the lubrication of gears and bearings. Special lubricants and a pressurized lubrication system may be required.

1.3 Included ratios

The input power formulas for globoidal wormgearing apply for ratios of 3:1 and greater. Engineering practice dictates that ratios in excess of 74:1 should be discussed with the manufacturer.

1.4 Exceptions

Wildhaber plane enveloping globoidal gearing is not covered in this standard.

This standard does not pertain to globoidal wormgearing used as speed increasers. For such applications, the manufacturer should be consulted.

1.5 Intended use

The equations and values presented provide a general approach to design and rating. Deviations from the methods and values stated in this manual may be made when justified by experience, testing or more specific analysis. It is intended for use by experienced gear designers capable of selecting reasonable values based on their knowledge of the