FLOWAY® PUMPS
Vertical Turbine Pumps

Mining and mineral processing
Meeting customer specifications is simply the first step in delivering whole life cycle performance. From design and installation, through service, maintenance and upgrade, we ensure continuity of excellence. Weir Minerals Floway Pumps are committed to providing a strong technological and engineering resource dedicated to minimizing downtime and preventing disruption to the customer’s operation.

Floway® Pump’s product reliability reduces downtime and keeps the routine replacement of parts to a minimum. Our qualified staff ensures the design and manufacturing quality is accurate to specifications. Our global service capability allows us, upon request, to put someone on site. These are some of the key benefits of Weir Minerals Floway Pumps.

The heart of your operation

When designing and manufacturing the Floway® vertical turbine pump we keep in mind that the pump is the heart of the mining operation and the entire project depends on it. This is why the Floway® pump product line is designed to be the most versatile, reliable and long lasting on the market.

Unlike our competitors, Floway® pumps are manufactured all under one roof. That means that every step from designing to manufacturing and the finished product is controlled in our state of the art facility in Fresno, California, USA.

Commitment to extending operating life

Floway® Pumps is dedicated to pumping excellence. That means using our experience in the industry to produce products with long life cycles and unparalleled performance.

Excellent engineering solutions

Floway® Pumps utilizes an in-house staff of licensed professional engineers to ensure maximum control over design specifications. Engineering capabilities include:

- 3D solid modeling
- In-house hydraulic design
- Products engineered to customer specifications
- Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) analysis
- Stress and deflection analysis using Finite Element Analysis (FEA)
- Lateral and torsional rotor dynamic analysis
- Structural natural frequency analysis (using FEA) and design for VFD operation
- Design for low vibration

CFD Analysis

Cavitation: Total Volume Faction [-] 0

3D solid modeling

Lateral and Torsional Rotodynamic Analysis
We can increase that benefit by offering a range of complementary products conducive to our portfolio of branded pumps. By using Weir Minerals valves, mill-liners and cyclones in conjunction with pumps, customers can consolidate maintenance and service programmes, reducing the frequency of interruptions to production.

- Entire manufacturing process controlled at our facility
- Commitment to extending operating life and efficiency
- Customer-focused product development
- Worldwide network of support

**Typical Services**

**Process Pumps** — Pumps that move solutions throughout the mining processes such as raffinate, pregnant leach solution (PLS), thickener, acid water, cooling water, organic solvent, electrolyte, and dump leach

**Water Supply** — Typically well pumps that supply the mine with their primary source of water

**Tailings Pumps** — Post-processed solution is collected and pumped into a treatment facility and recycled back into the process

**RO Treatment Pumps** — Reverse osmosis water treatment facilities. Feed pumps, low pressure RO feed pumps, filter backwash pumps, recycle pumps, sea water RO pumps, and spray/flush pumps.

**Dewatering Pumps** — Sump pump design or deep well turbine design

**Seepage Water Pumps** — Sump pump design or can/booster design

**Reclaim Water Pumps** — Sump pump design

**Overflow Water Pumps** — Sump pump design

**Barge Mounted Pumps** — Pumps that are used for dewatering or water supply from ponds and/or reservoirs
Floway® Pumps is dedicated to manufacturing pumps with industry leading low vibration levels.

Minimum downtime, minimum disruption to process

Through continuous improvements to materials, product design, engineering and manufacturing, we minimize downtime and reduce the risk of disruption to our customers’ operations.

**Wear/corrosion resistant materials**

To increase pump longevity and enhance efficiency, Floway® pumps are constructed with wear/corrosion resistant materials such as duplex and super duplex stainless steels.

Materials:
- Austenitic-304L (J92500)
- 316L (J92800)
- Super Austenitic-904L (N08925)
- AL6XN (J94651)
- 317LM (J93000)
- Duplex SS-2205 (J92205)
- 255 (J32250)
- CD4MCu (J93370)
- Super Duplex SS-2507 (J93380)
- Alloy 20 (N08020)
- Super Austenitic 254SM0 (J31254)
- Compatible wrought alloys are available for above cast materials

**Optional features:**
- Premium machined and balanced motor
- Specially tolerated motor coupling machined by Floway® Pumps
- Jacking posts for precise motor/pump shaft alignment
- Impellers balanced per API 610
- Reduced run-out on motor base

**Manufactured to meet global certifications and standards:**

**Electrical standards**
- NEMA
- IEEE
- IEC

**Construction standards**
- ANSI B16.5 Class 150 through 1500 flange ratings
- Welding to ASME section IX on all listed materials
- ASTM standards met for all materials supplied - castings, forgings, and wrought materials
- Stress relief carbon steel to ASME Section VIII
- DIN
- BS
- Hydraulic Institute
- CE Marking
- API 610

**Quality assurance**

Quality control never ends at Floway® Pumps. It begins with the quotation phase and continues throughout the order process, manufacturing phase, warranty period, customer follow-up and service. This dedication to quality has given us the reputation for having one of the finest products in the vertical turbine pump industry. Certifications include:
- ISO 14001:2004 Environmental Management Systems
**Welding and fabrication**

Weir Minerals Floway Pumps utilizes in-house fabrication staffed with welders certified to ASME Code Section IX on all listed materials.

**Performance testing**

A major engineering function of any pump manufacturer is hydraulic performance testing under a variety of operational conditions. Testing ensures that pump performance matches specifications and that all components are operating properly.

Testing and analysis capabilities include:

- Three testing pits for flows to 45,000 GPM (10,220 m³/hr)
- Hydrostatic testing equipment for pressures to 5,000 PSI (345 Bars)
- NPSH testing equipment available for flows to 30,000 GPM (6,814 m³/hr)
- Pressures to 2,500 PSI (172 Bars)
- Electrical power through 3,000 HP (2,235 KW)
- All measuring equipment calibrated on a scheduled basis with traceability to National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)
- Vibration testing available including spectrum analysis (FFT) with multiple simultaneous channels. Proximity probes available for measuring dynamic shaft vibration
- Impact testing available to determine the structural natural frequencies (Reed Critical Frequency) of the pump/motor structure
- Capable of testing a complete engine driven pump
- Both 50 Hz and 60 Hz power available
- Pump testing using a Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) available upon request
- Coating spark test (low voltage/high voltage)
- Pump thrust testing
- Noise testing

**Non-Destructive Testing (NDT)**

- Dye Penetrant (LP)
- Magnetic Particle Inspection (MP)
- Radiography Exam (RT)
- Ultrasonic Testing (UT)
- Positive Material Identification (PMI)
- Hardness Testing (Rockwell and Brinell)
- CMTR upon request
- AWS Certified Welding Inspection (CWI)
Weir Minerals is at the forefront of the industry in developing a truly global supply capability.

This enables us to provide major minerals producers worldwide with consistent products and standards of service.

For customers with operations in diverse regions, the operational advantages of global supply are clear. Standardized processes permit the transfer of best practice. Efficiencies realized on one site can be repeated elsewhere. As customers move their people around the world, they will encounter familiar equipment and processes, and be able to call on the same team for technical support.

Global supply, local support

- Application expertise
- Installation supervision and support
- Ease of maintenance
- 24 hour availability of support
- Understanding the customers’ processes
- Local aftercare and engineering service
- Local solutions backed by global design resource

Closer to the customer

Clearly, local engineering support and the ability to have someone on site are vital for our customers’ process efficiency. Weir is synonymous with engineering expertise, and our close customer relationships are based on the fact that we have historically delivered that expertise locally, on site, day or night.

None of this has been discarded in our drive for globalization. On the contrary, we have expanded the offering of local operations, providing access to a global product portfolio and the pooled engineering expertise of the entire Weir Group. In this way, we can support our customers’ ambitions worldwide.

Emerging markets

Weir Minerals has operations across North America, South America, Europe, Africa, Australia and Asia. By working closely with our customers, we are able to mirror their movements into emerging markets with our own. Our strategy for global expansion in China, India, and Eastern Europe is already under way.
At the same time, all our customers require **rapid response, on-site support** from someone who understands the local conditions. Weir Minerals’ geographical footprint plays a major role in establishing our closeness with customer operations.

Our business model allows us to service **global and local** customers simultaneously, effectively. By centralizing shared functions such as materials research, testing, purchasing, marketing and administration, we are able to support regional and local engineering.

“The mining industry is characterized by large scale, complex operations in remote and inaccessible locations. Through our companies around the world we have responded to the challenge by offering tailored solutions to their problems and a basket of Weir products, including vertical turbine, slurry, and clear liquid pumps, and other handling equipment.”

“In 1997 the first integrated package was offered to Minera Collahuasi. This developed into the supply of most of the slurry and clear water equipment required, and was extended into a full maintenance service contract, under which Weir engineers remain on site 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. We also supply and maintain all the rubber linings, cyclones and related products. The same concept has been duplicated and repeated in mining operations throughout the world.”

“For the customer, the arrangement offers real benefits in terms of reduced downtime, increased plant life and improved throughput. The key elements of this success are a very close relationship with our customers and the ‘can-do’ attitude of all Weir people.”

**Ricardo Garib**
Weir Vulco SA, Chile
Weir Minerals has an advanced product range incorporating market leading brands covering virtually any application, in any environment. Our products account for 19% of market share worldwide.

Geographical Footprint

Weir Minerals has the geographical presence to service all the major minerals markets around the world. This global supply capability provides a competitive advantage in this relatively fragmented market.

We support customer operations worldwide with consistent products and local engineering expertise. As part of The Weir Group, we have the reach and resource to grow into emerging markets alongside our customers. This includes specific plans for expansion in Asia.

Weir Minerals has operations across:

- North America
- South America
- Africa
- Europe & UK
- Australia
- Former Soviet Union

We own a valuable portfolio of intellectual property, which is continually being expanded through research and development in materials and technology to enhance the wear life of our products. As a result, our global leadership in mining pump applications is combined with innovative designs in an extensive product range of mill liners, hydrocyclones and slurry valves.

Meeting the needs of customers worldwide

1: Weir Minerals has the global capabilities to service all customer operations
2: Reclaim water pumps
Customer Profile

Our customers range from the world’s largest minerals and mining multinationals to single site coal producers.

Weir Minerals capability supports an array of customer specifications with products easily adaptable to meet specific process requirements.

We build close, long term partnerships through which we are able to help customers achieve process efficiencies.

Our customers include:

- Alcoa
- Barrick
- BHP-Billiton
- Newmont
- Rio Tinto Alcan
- CVRD
- Grupo Mexico
- WMC
- Freeport McMoran
- Anglo American
- Xstrata
- IAMGOLD
- Codelco
- SQM Salar
- Teck Comico
- Gold Fields
- Dofasco
- Iron Ore
- Consolidated Thompson
- Kennecott Copper
The Floway® Vertical Mining Pump - VMP Series

VMP Wet Pit and Barrel Can design features

- Pump configuration - vertically suspended close coupled single or multi-staged turbine within a closed suction system.
- Capacity - to 35,000 USGPM (8,000 M3/HR)
- Pressure - Wet Pit to 1,500 PSI (100 bars) and Barrel Can to 3,000 PSI (200 Bars)
- Liquid Handled - Water, Raffinate, PLS, Thickener, Tailings, Brine, & Other Various Mining Applications
- Temperature range - to 175 Deg F (80 Deg C)
- HP range - to 2,500 HP (1,850 KW)
- Drivers - Engine and gear drive, electric motor with or without thrust pot, used with or without a VFD

Floway® Coverage Chart 50Hz

Floway® Coverage Chart 60Hz

Performance data shown is approximate. For actual pump performance contact your local Floway® representative or visit the online pump selector website at www.weirminerals.com.
The Floway® vertical turbine pump is specially designed to reduce vibration levels and improve corrosive and abrasive resistance.

Vertical motor with solid shaft medium thrust construction

Shaft lateral adjusting nut for impeller lift

Oil temperature gauge.

Throttle bearing provides shaft support and allows higher operating pressures

Precision shaft straightness. Surface turned, ground, and polished the entire length

Corrosion & abrasion resistant lineshaft bearings

Radial hydraulic forces equalized by multi-vane bowl diffuser, reduces rotor loading and provides exceptional sleeve bearing life. Low energy per stage bowl assembly allows broad range of hydraulic stability

Optional Low NPSHR 1st stage impeller available

Maintenance free, permanently grease packed suction bearing
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**The Lowest Cost of Ownership**

**Service and support**

This global capability with our own dedicated service teams combined with the service centres of our sister companies within the Weir Group and those of our strategic partners provide support in virtually every developed market.

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**WARMAN®** Centrifugal Slurry Pumps  
**GEHO®** PD Slurry Pumps  
**LINATEX®** Rubber Products  
**VULCO®** Wear Resistant Linings  
**CAVEX®** Hydrocyclones  
**FLOWAY® PUMPS** Vertical Turbine Pumps  
**ISOGATE®** Slurry Valves  
**MULTIFLO®** Mine Dewatering Solutions  
**HAZLETON®** Specialty Slurry Pumps  
**LEWIS® PUMPS** Vertical Chemical Pumps  
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