# Pileman® - BH

## (Brine & Hard)

## **General description:**

**Pileman® - BH** is a custom-made Bentonite support system which adopts to drilling in extreme formations soaked with sea water or any carbonate hardness. Its formulation comprises with the enhancement of Basic bentonite clay to adapt select polymer and additives depending upon usage.

#### **Product features:**

- Produces thixotropic Gel
- Shear thinning fluid
- Ensuring optimum cutting carrying capacity
- Excellent fluid loss property
- Resists bacteria attacks
- Max resistance up to 10,000 ppm total hardness

## Dosage:

In the range of 45-60kg/m<sup>3</sup> depending upon the soil conditions.

## **Mixing procedure:**

Pileman® - BH is a single bag system and water hardness up to 200 ppm can be used for making slurry.

Physical Properties		
Parameter	unit	Results
pH (3% dispersion)	-	10-11
Moisture	%	12 max
Particle size (dry residue @ #200)	%	20 max
Loose Bulk density	t/m <sup>3</sup>	0.85±10%

Rheology in fresh water			
Concentration	Kg/m <sup>3</sup>	60	
Marsh Viscosity	Sec/qt	50	
Gel Strength	Pa	5	
Yield	bbl/sht	90	

#### **Product design:**

#### There are two typical <u>extreme</u> conditions which such slurry a likely to encounter:

- **1.** Contamination with solid ground containing Chlorides, carbonates and Sulphates Sabhka or similar formation found in Saudi Arabia.
- 2. Direct mixing with sea water.

### **Explanation:**



Pileman BH slurry, hydrated in fresh water is exposed to 10,000 ppm chloride hardness.

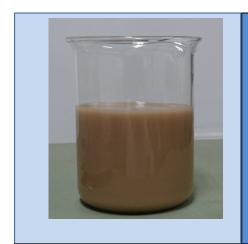
The slurry shows no signs of sedimentation

The slurry can only perform if such conditions are encountered without loss in Rheology and ability to form impermeable filter cake.

#### **CASE 2:**

When the tunneling is taking place in the proximity of the seashore, there are often chances of saltwater stream flooding the tunnel under construction and getting mixed with the bentonite slurry.

**Pileman®** - **BH** is designed to withstand dilution with sea water up to 30% of its given volume inside the tunnel. Under such adulterated condition, the slurry would still perform both in maintaining the Rheology and formation of impermeable filter cake.



Diluted slurry with 30% seawater. No sedimentation.



The 30% seawater diluted slurry is further used to form a filter cake and again exposed to sea water (35000 ppm total hardness). Under the effect of sea water, the filter cake remains to be stable.

Rheology chart of the slurry after dilution with 30% seawater			
Concentration	Kg/m3	60	
Fann Viscosity			
@600	rpm	41	
@300	rpm	38	
@6	rpm	30	
Apparent Viscosity	cPs	20.5	
Plastic viscosity	cPs	3	
Yield Point	lb/100ft2	35	
10s Gel Strength	lb/100ft2	30	
Filtrate Loss (As per API after 30min)	ml	19	



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