

CONVEYOR PULLEYS



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Focus Flyer - Contoured Integral End Disks

PCI® Contoured Integral End Disks are designed to maximize conveyor pulley life by reducing the risk of failure from end disk fatigue. PCI's design eliminates the need for a hub-to-disk weld by machining a hub directly into the surface of the end disk. In addition, PCI's special contour optimizes the surface stress of the end disk by allowing for adequate flexibility not provided by flat disk designs.

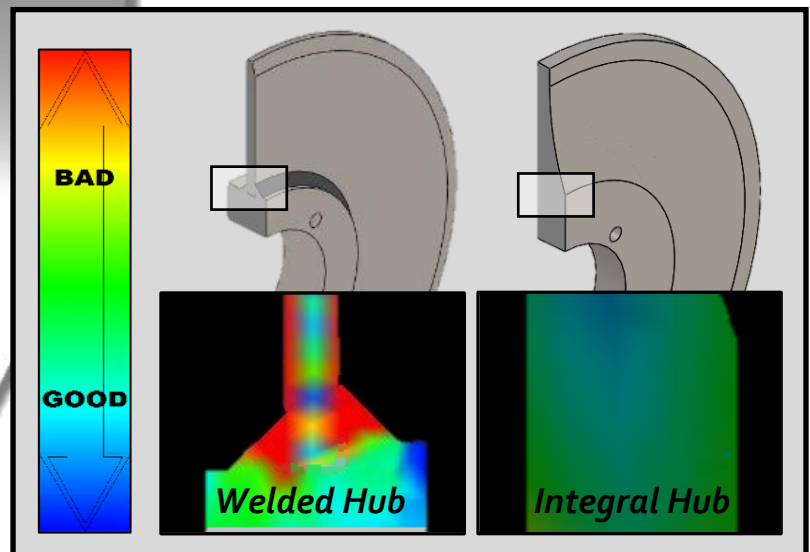
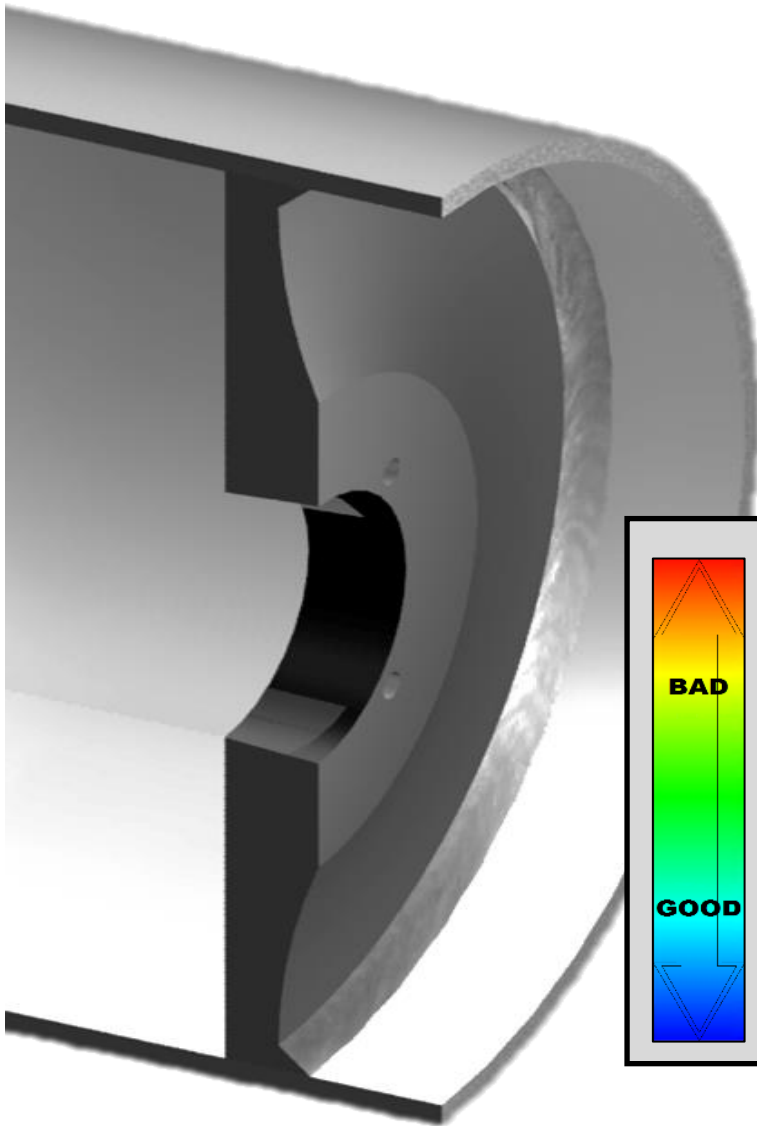
DESIGN BENEFITS

Even Distribution of Stress

Improved Bore Alignment

Eliminates Weld Stresses

Optimized Flexibility



Machined Integral Hub: The leading cause of premature pulley failure is end disk fatigue. End disk fatigue causes a pulley to fail at the weakest point on the end disk, the area near the weld between the hub and disk. The sudden change in geometry between the flat disk and the cylindrical hub produces an area of increased stress concentration. Additionally, welding also distorts the end disk causing hub bores to misalign from end to end. An integral style hub machined directly into the end disk eliminates the need for a weld between a hub and disk, thereby greatly reducing the risk of premature pulley failure.

Contoured Profile: Flat end disk designs discourage proper flexing of the end disk, thereby increasing the amount of stress induced in vulnerable areas. PCI's contoured profile allows for adequate flexibility under load by increasing thickness where it benefits load accommodation and decreasing thickness where the disk should be allowed to flex.