



Material / Component Traceability

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Material Traceability



• Material traceability is crucial for ensuring **product quality, safety, and compliance** across industries, from manufacturing to food production.

• It allows businesses to track materials and products throughout their lifecycle, facilitating effective recall management, risk mitigation, and enhanced transparency for operators, consumers, and regulators.

Key Aspects of Material Traceability include:

- Quality Control
- Compliance
- Supply Chain Management / Transparency
- -Risk Management
- Efficiency & Cost Reduction



In the Pipeline Industry - Material Traceability is the ability to trace all materials used to construct a piping system back to their origins.

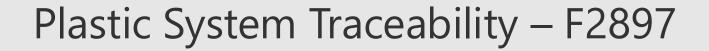
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Implementation of Material Traceability



- Data Capture Technologies:
 - -Utilizing systems like barcodes, QR codes, or RFID to capture and record data at every stage of the production process is crucial for effective traceability.
- Software and Systems:
 - -Implementing robust traceability platform that integrates with various business processes, including manufacturing, inventory, and logistics, is essential for efficient data management and analysis.
- Benefits of Traceability:
 - Improved product quality and safety.
 - Reduced risk of recalls and associated costs.
 - Enhanced compliance with regulations and standards.
 - -Increased customer satisfaction and brand loyalty.
 - -Greater visibility into the supply chain and identification of inefficiencies.



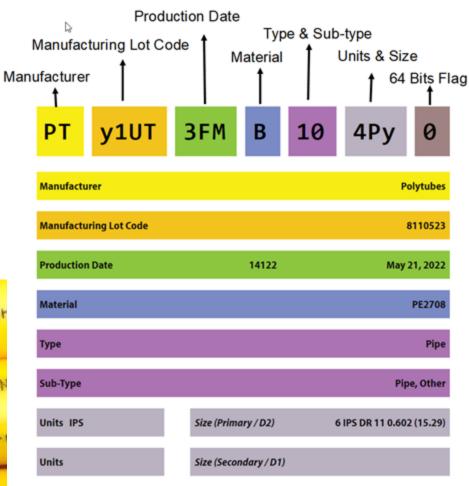




- The ASTM F2897 standard provides a traceability encoding system of natural gas distribution components (plastic pipe, fittings, valves, and appurtenances) with an aim to standardize the way manufacturers mark their respective products in a uniform manner.
- Allowing gas utilities to more efficiently collect, store and query pertinent information on the components installed.



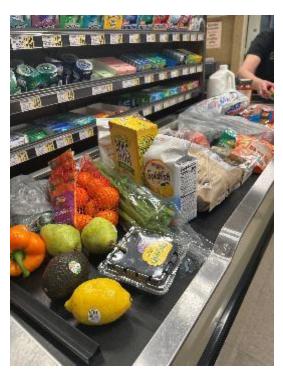






Data Acquisition using Barcodes – Food & Pharmaceutical

A wide range of Products & Manufacturers identified Using GS1 standards







Today, the products (millions) in the Grocery, Pharmacies, Automotive, and E-Trade Industries are identified and barcoded by 10,000's of manufacturers worldwide.

Do these pictures have parallel's when it comes to identification





How GS1 Standards Work

 GS1 standards create a common foundation by uniquely identifying, accurately capturing and automatically sharing vital information about products, locations, assets and more.

GS1 Benefits

- One of the key benefits of GS1 standards is that they are global in nature.
- Another benefit is that they are flexible and adaptable





The Global Language of Business

GS1 is a Global Standard that is used by other Industries for Decades

Used in over 155 Countries

10 Billion barcodes scanned daily

2 Million + companies worldwide use GS1 standards

Over 1 Billion products carry GS1 barcodes

50 + Years - GS1 started in 1973

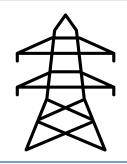


One Identification Specification For All Industries











- Product Identifier
- Date of manufacturer
- Location of manufacturer
- Batch identification
- Serialization
- Component Definition
- Document identification















Benefits of GS1 Based Material Traceability

GS1 adoption supports numerous business and operational functions:

- Standardized Asset Identification
 Enables consistent, interoperable tracking of pipes,
 valves, meters, joints, and other utility assets using global
 identifiers.
- Precise Geolocation + Depth Mapping
 When paired with GNSS and RFID, EPCIS can log the
 exact install location and burial depth—critical for safety,
 maintenance, and damage prevention.
- End-to-End Traceability
 Tracks assets from manufacture to installation to retirement, creating a full lifecycle record for each serialized item.
- Regulatory & Safety Compliance
 Automates audit trails for installations, inspections, and material traceability—meeting requirements like PHMSA, EPA, and local codes.

- Maintenance & Recall Efficiency
 Supports rapid identification and isolation of recalled or degraded components in the field—minimizing service disruption.
- Integration with GIS & Digital Twins
 EPCIS complements utility GIS, SCADA, CMMS, and digital twin systems—offering structured event data and real-time synchronization.
- Multi-Party Collaboration
 Enables secure data sharing across manufacturers, contractors, regulators, and asset owners—each maintaining their own dynamic, instance-level EPCIS repository recording supply chain events.

Why GTI Recommends Using GS1 Standards for Traceability of System Components



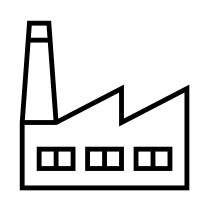
GS1 has been used successfully to identify products for decades without regard to how or where they are made.

- GS1 Standards and GS1 Services are non-proprietary.
- GS1 standards can be used to identify mono-material products and complex assemblies.
- GS1 Standards (revisions) are published annually and available in the public domain at no cost.
- GS1 Identification supports multiple business processes, including capital construction data, material management, engineering design, asset management, and maintenance.
- Mobile data collection and business systems can be supported across all utility classes (gas, electric, water, telecom).

GS1 Tracking and Traceability: Pipe Manufacture

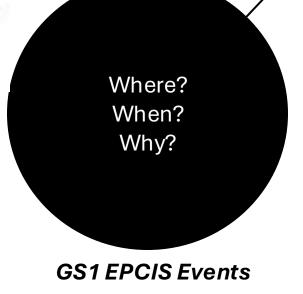
In combination with GS1 product definition, GS1 Electronic Product Code Information Services (EPCIS) events create a "common language" for inventory and tracking, ensuring industry-wide standards to track supply chain events like pipe manufacture, purchase, shipping, and installation.



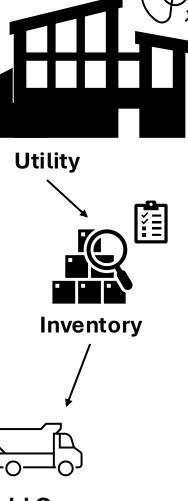


Manufacturer





Each supply chain event, from manufacture to installation, is recorded as an event with a standardized format.

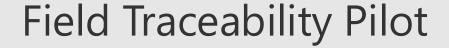




GIS, CAD, Software



Field Crews







Enbridge Ohio Pilot* (formally Dominion)

- 51 pcs of pipe and fittings
- 28 attributes on each component
- MTR associated on each piece collected
- GPS installation locations to within 1.5 cm (ends of each pipe) (vertical accuracy ~4 cm)
- All collected in 2.5 hours

Normally this process would take a couple of days.

This process, utilizing GS1, can achieve TVC efficiently with very little human interaction.

*OTD-funded Projects



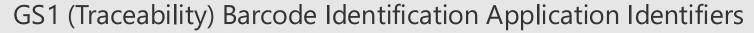


One Scan Documentation

No human intervention

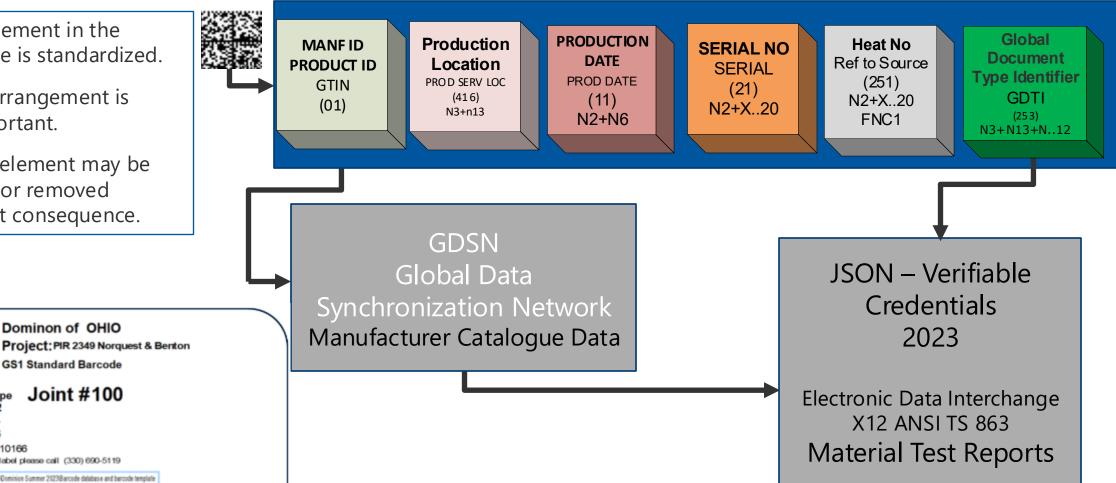
- Precision location 1.5 CM accuracy
- 8 key track and traceability identification properties
- 20 attributes defining the component
- 14 Geospatial Quality control properties
- Complete digital Material Test Report by component
- Image-based Material Test Report (PDF)
- Integration with most GIS and CAD-based mapping systems (GeoJSON export)

Field Pilot





- Each element in the barcode is standardized.
- Their arrangement is unimportant.
- A new element may be added or removed without consequence.



Project: PIR 2349 Norquest & Benton GS1 Standard Barcode **Joint #100** Coil - Run - Pipe

Length 29.8 Ft.

GTIN 00810007410166

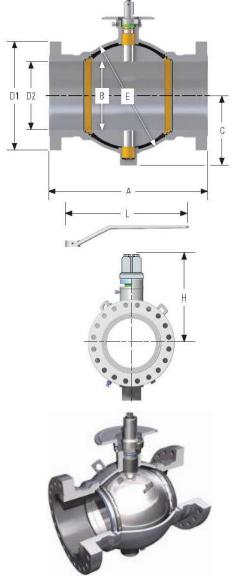
Questions about this label please call (330) 690-5119

C (Bartender Project Databases)Dominion Summer 2023/Barcode database and barcode template



Typical Product Data Found in Product Catalogues

ASME Class 150 Ball Valve			
GTIN	810007410134		
Size	20		
ASME Pressure class	150		
Operating temperatures	–50 to 250 degF		
End connection	Flanged		
Body style	Fully welded		
Standard material	Forged carbon steel		
Seat and seal	Tefzel™		
Nom. Diameter	20 in		
Ball Bore B	19.25 in		
Stem Size	4.0 in		
RF Length A	36 in		
RTJ Length A	36.5 in		
Diameter D1	27.5 in		
Diameter D2	19.25 in		
Diameter Handwheel for Gear G	18 in		
C.L. to Handwheel C.L. H	27.75 in		
Operator	Worm gear		
Trim	131 NACE		
Body Shell	ASTM A516 Gr70†		
End connections	ASTM A350 LF2		
Ball, stem, trunnion	ASTM A694 Gr F50		
Seat rings	AISI 410 SS		
Barrier rings	Carbon steel nickel plated		
Delta seals	PTFE		
Body to seat seal	PTFE		
Seat ring insert	Nylon		
Coating on ball, stem, trunnion	003 ENP		
Service	Standard		
Operating Pressures	150 - 2500		
Weight	3310 lb		



Register digital product data for each product

API 5L Pipe Attributes				
(GS1 Services)				
"GTIN"	"00810007410166",			
ShortName	"Steel Pipe Size - 20 in375 in wall HFW X52M",			
Serial	"005706305",			
Nominal Inside Diameter	"19.625 Inches",			
Nominal Outside Diameter	"20 Inches",			
Gross Weight	"3147 Pound",			
Net Weight	"78.67 Pound",			
Depth	"40 Foot",			
Height	"20 Inches",			
Net Content	"1 Each",			
Width	"20 Inches",			
Wall Thickness	"0.375 Inches",			
Brand Name	"American Steel Pipe ",			
Pipe End	"Plain end ",			
Type Of Construction	"HFW ",			
Family	"Pipe",			
Category	"seam welded ",			
Subcategory	"Pipe Streight ",			
Grade	"X52 ",			
Utility Component Type	"2 ",			
Coating Type	"Fusion Bonded Epoxy",			
PSL	"2 ",			
Delivered Condition	"M",			



Field Pilot - Exported Data to ESRI*





Mobile Client Export Data

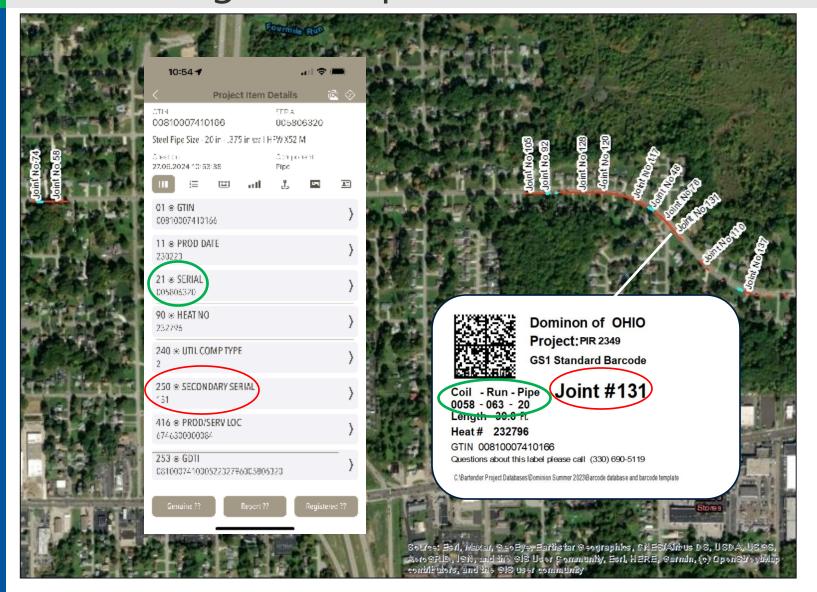
- □ Esri
- ☐ Autodesk
- ☐ Bentley Systems
- ☐ GE Small World



* Data furnished by Enbridge Ohio



Looking for a Pipe made from Coil #58?



	GTIN	ShortName	Serial
	00810007410166	Steel Pipe Size - 20 in375 in wall HFW X52M	005506312
	00810007410166	Steel Pipe Size - 20 in375 in wall HFW X52M	5706305
	00810007410166	Steel Pipe Size - 20 in375 in wall HFW X52M	005706315
	00810007410166	Steel Pipe Size - 20 in375 in wall HFW X52M	005306306
	00810007410166	Steel Pipe Size - 20 in375 in wall HFW X52M	005406313
	00810007410166	Steel Pipe Size - 20 in375 in wall HFW X52M	003106323
1	00810007410166	Steel Pipe Size - 20 in375 in wall HFW X52 M	005806318
1	00810007410166	Steel Pipe Size - 20 in375 in wall HFW X52 M	005606307
	00810007410166	Steel Pipe Size - 20 in375 in wall HFW X52 M	006206306
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GS1 based Unique ID



Barcode Information



A01	00810007410	166	Product ID (GTIN)
1.02	A11 230223		` ´
A11			Date of Manufacturer
A21			Serial Number
A90	241719	Information Contained in the Barcode	Heat Number
A240	2		Component Type: Streight Pipe
A250	A416 6746300000084		Customer Field Tracking No.
A416			Location of Manufacturer
A253			5 Document Identifier (MTR Report)

API RP 5MT to include Annexes for Machine-readable traceability systems for line pipe.

Product Information



Product data available from any GDSN compliant data pool

Product Information (Data Pool)					
GS1 Services (GDSN)					
GTIN	00810007	410166			
ShortName	SteelPipe Size -20 in wall HFW X52M				
NominalInsideDiame	19.625 in				
NominalOutsideDian	20 in				
GrossWeight	3147 lb				
NetWeight	78.67 lb				
Depth	40 Ft				
Height	20 in	Information Contained			
NetContent	1 Each	in the GDSN Data Pools			
Width	20 in				
WallThickness	0.375 in				
BrandName	American Best Pipe				
PipeEnd	Plain end				
TypeOfConstruction HFW					
Family	Pipe				
Category	Category seamwelded				
SubCatagory	Pipe Streight				
Grade	X52				
UtilityComponentTyr 2					
CoatingType	Fusion Bonded Epoxy				
PSL	2				
DeliveredCondition M					

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What's next? - Additional Field Demos

- Additional Field Demos are needed.
 - -This will allow for implementation and feedback on the GS1 traceability methodology
 - -It will assist with getting your manufacturers involved and to better understand the process of applying GS1 barcodes to their products.
 - -This is the necessary next step to implementing a component traceability system to our industry especially our steel components and assemblies.

- We need the entire industry to come together to make this happen!
- Please let me know if you are interested. We want to work with you and your component suppliers.

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Questions / Comments

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