# Vibrating Bin Dischargers Eliminate Bridging and Ratholing







## **Bin Flow Problems**

Bin flow problems, including bridging and ratholing, are usually related to one or more of the following conditions:

- Hopper outlet is too small
- Hopper depth is too great
- Hopper slope is too flat



#### Bridging

Bridging is a no-flow condition in which the pressure of the stored material on itself results in a selfsupporting "bridge" or "arch" formation over the outlet.

#### Ratholing

Ratholing is a condition in which the stored material does not slough into the central flow stream for discharge and instead forms a core. Problems associated with ratholing are flooding, substantial variation of density in product, and eventually no-flow.

## **Carman Bin Discharging Solutions**

A properly sized and properly operated Carman Vibrating Bin Discharger can economically eliminate bridging and ratholing.

And, a Carman Vibrating Bin Discharger can maximize hopper volume without changing elevations or bin diameters.



## Eliminate Bridging and Ratholing

The Carman Vibrating Bin Discharger eliminates ratholing by increasing the effective hopper outlet size while the unit's internal pressure cone eliminates bridging.

#### Maximize Hopper Volume

With identical elevations and bin diameters, a 60° bin with a 5' Carman Vibrating Bin Discharger provides 130% more hopper volume than a 70° mass flow bin design.

## **Bin Discharger Selection & Flowrate Charts**

Since 1963, Carman Industries has solved bulk material flow problems for thousands of customers. Selecting the proper Bin Discharger for your application requires that we know the following:

Note that we also request the type of equipment that will be located immediately below the Bin Discharger, the inlet dimensions to this equipment, and its feedrate for interface purposes.

Bulk products are typically grouped into one of three classifications:

Bin Discharger Selection Chart	Storage Bin with 60° Hopper	Bin Discharger Diameter				
	2'-8'	2'-3'				
Class I: These products are predominately granular with few fines, no moisture, and	8'-12'	3'-4'				
generally have fairly good flow properties. Examples: plastic pellets and pebble lime.	12'-15'	4'-5'				
	15'-up	5'-up				
	2'-5'	2'-3'				
combination of granules and powders or	5'-8'	3'-4'				
predominately powders with very little cohesive strength. Examples: hydrated lime, hard wheat flour, starch, talc, flyash, and soda ash.	8'-12'	4'-5'				
	12'-15'	5'-6'				
	15'-up	6'-up				
	2'-4'	2'-3'				
Class III: These products are very fine	4'-7'	3'-4'				
and compressibility. Examples: calcium carbonate, kaolin clay, soft winter wheat flour, soy flour, and titanium dioxide.	7'-11'	4'-6'				
	11'-15'	6'-8'				
	15'-up	8'-up				

Since Bin Dischargers are flow-promoting (not flow-regulating) devices, most projects include a Bin Discharger to promote flow and some type of feeder located immediately below the Bin Discharger to meter the material from storage at the desired rate. In those few instances when flow-regulating equipment does not exist, i.e., the Bin Discharger discharges directly into a truck, railcar, supersack, etc., then please note the approximate flow rates in this chart (see assumptions below):

Flowrate Chart	8" Diameter Outlets	10" Diameter Outlets	12" Diameter Outlets	14" Diameter Outlets
Class I Products	2,100 CFH	3,500 CFH	5,300 CFH	7,400 CFH
Class II Products	1,000 CFH	2,000 CFH	3,000 CFH	4,000 CFH
Class III Products	Not Recommended	1,500 CFH	2,500 CFH	3,500 CFH

Flowrate chart assumes the following:

There are no obstructions (e.g., butterfly valve disk) below the Bin Discharger
 The Bin Discharger has been energized long enough to reach normal operating speed

#### **Bin Information**

- Bin Diameter
- Sidewall Height
- Hopper Slope
- Internal Pressure (if any)

#### **Product Information**

- Product Name
- Particle Distribution
- Moisture Content
- Bulk Density
- Temperature

# The Carman 30°/60° Vibrating Bin Discharger

Carman's 30°/60° cone design offers proven performance advantages when compared to competitive single slope or dished-head designs including the ability to discharge some products that cannot be discharged from shallower sloped designs.

A unique design with all the hardware to install guickly...and the ruggedness to run 24/7.

### **Adapter Ring**

The adapter ring is used to attach the vibrating bin discharger to the bin or hopper section of the bin. It provides an attachment point for the inlet sock and properly positions the hanger arm support points.

Adapter rings are available for either weld-on or bolt-on installation. The typical weld-on adapter ring simply welds directly to the bin. When a bolt-on adapter ring is supplied, there must be a mating flange on the outlet of the storage bin.

Some customers prefer the less expensive weld-on adapter ring. while other customers prefer the bolt-on adapter ring option which permits the bin discharger to ship fully assembled and greatly simplifies final installation in the field.

#### **Inlet Sock**

The inlet sock provides the seal between the storage bin and the bin discharger. Carman's standard sock material is a reinforced EPDM elastomer...extremely tough, yet flexible to allow proper vibratory motion. Our EPDM elastomers are superior to neoprene connectors regarding resistance to the effects of both sunlight and ozone.

Other elastomers, including FDA approved connectors, 3A sanitary 18-03 connectors and high temperature/pressure connectors, are also available.

#### **Sock Fasteners**

Stainless steel fasteners are used to secure inlet socks.

Standard double drawbands are used for low pressure applications (up to 5 psig). 10 psig and 14.5 psig designs are also available.



#### **Drive Motor -**

Vibratory motors used to drive Carman bin dischargers are footmounted and include a 30 month warranty. Motors have double extended shafts complete with adjustable eccentric weights.

Totally enclosed non-ventilated (TENV) and explosion-proof designs are available. Explosion-proof ratings are Class I, Groups C and D; and Class II, Groups E, F, and G service.

#### **Pressure Cone**

outlet.

#### **Hanger Arms**

Carman's high strength ductile iron hanger arms are custom engineered for vibratory service and matched to your application.

Rubber bushings, located in the top and bottom eyelets of the hanger arm, allow maximum horizontal bin discharger movement to

promote material flow, yet minimize reactions

into the bin. Special bushings are available for high temperature use.

**Special** 

Carman has

developed

special equipment and accessories to

**Features and Accessories** 

The Carman pressure cone provides relief of headload pressure off the

solve unique storage flow problems including:

- Carbon steel, stainless steel and other special materials of construction
- UHMW liners
- Special finishes including epoxy, polyurethane, and high temperature finishes
- · Sanitary designs
- Dual outlet configuration
- Flanged outlets
- Flanged flexible connectors
- Maintenance gates (both manual and automatic)

## **Carman 30°/60° Bin Discharger**

## **Carman 45° Bin Discharger**











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**Optional Outlet Configurations** (For Either Design)





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Drawing is for reference only.     All dimensions are in inches.	5 GBD and LARGER (See Note #8)														
<ol> <li>"E" is the minimum radial clearance required for isolation.</li> <li>"E" is the minimum radial clearance required for drive.</li> <li>Overall height is a function of outlet size "B".</li> <li>Optional view shows Carman's welded adapter ring which elin 7. Optional view shows Carman's welded adapter ring which elin 8. For 5' diameter and larger Bin Dischargers, Carman often reco headroom. Should a larger 45' unit be desired, please call Ca</li> <li>Formed edge or 3/16" diameter bead rings may be used for ad</li> </ol>	ninates the need ninates the need mmends a 30°/c rman to discuss dapter rings.	for a matir for a matir 50° design	ng flange, ng flange, due to its	and, since but does re steeper lov	2' thru 4' u equire a bea ver cone, b	nits utilize ( ring plate a ut some ap	Carman's sta Ind two gus plications p	andard duty sets, by otl ermit the u	/ hanger arr hers, to be l se of either	ns, bearing located abc design, and	plates and we each ha t the 45° un	gussets are nger arm lo it usually re	e not require cation. quires less	ed.	7



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