# LIGHTNING PROTECTION INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

## A. Introduction

Convault® tanks should be grounded to provide lightning protection in accordance with NFPA 780 Standard for the Installation of Lightning Protection Systems latest edition. Each Convault® tank is provided with two grounding lugs or grounding bolts to meet the lightning protection requirements of Chapter 7 Section 7-4.1 of NFPA 780 for "Aboveground Tanks at Atmospheric Pressure Containing Flammable Vapors or Liquids that Can Give off Flammable Vapors".

## Priority of Codes, Rules and Regulations

Use the following list as your order of priority:

- 1. Local jurisdiction codes, rules and regulations,
- 2. Applicable state codes, rules, and regulations,
- 3. Applicable regional and national codes, rules and regulations,
- 4. Component manufacturer's recommended installation, maintenance and operating procedure,

These Convault® Installation Instructions for Lightning Protection.

## **Conductor Cable Materials Specifications**

Conductor cable material, cross sectional area, size of each strand and weight per length shall be in accordance with Chapter 4, Section 4.1 and 4.2; table 4.1.1.1.1 and 4.1.1.1.2 of NFPA 780.

## **Ground Rods**

Ground rods shall be not less than ½ in. (12.7 mm) in diameter and 8 ft (2.4 m) long. Grounding rod materials specification and installation shall be in accordance with Chapter 4.13. of NFPA 780.

## **Ground Rod Termination**

The down conductor shall be attached to the ground rod by bolting, brazing, welding or using high-compression connectors listed for the purpose. Clamps shall be suitable for direct soil burial. Lightning installation shall be in accordance with Chapter 4-13.2 and figures 4.13.2.3.2 of NFPA 780.