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Patient Spotlight

# AirSep Products Now Available Through CAIRE

AirSep, a privately held company based in Amherst, New York, is a leading manufacturer of oxygen generating systems for medical and industrial applications. The company designs and manufactures stationary and portable oxygen concentrators for medical use, such as the ultra lightweight Focus™, FreeStyle™, and VisionAire™. Additionally AirSep is a leader in on-site air separation oxygen generation systems for industrial applications. On-site generation products range from standard generators to custom-built large-scale industrial Pressure Swing Absorption ("PSA") or Vacuum Pressure Swing Absorption ("VPSA") systems that can produce 100 tons of oxygen per day.

Steve Shaw, President of Chart's BioMedical Group, commented, "The AirSep product lines and distribution network bring new technology to our customers and extend our non-delivery modalities across the globe. We are very pleased to add a talented and proven management team and staff to our BioMedical Group, and we look forward to offering a broader set of solutions to our customers."

Ravi Bansal, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of AirSep, commented, "Our merger into Chart BioMedical will allow us to grow our business on a broader scale and continue to provide high quality and innovative products.

We are excited to take our capabilities to current and new customers across the globe, leveraging Chart's experience and relationships."

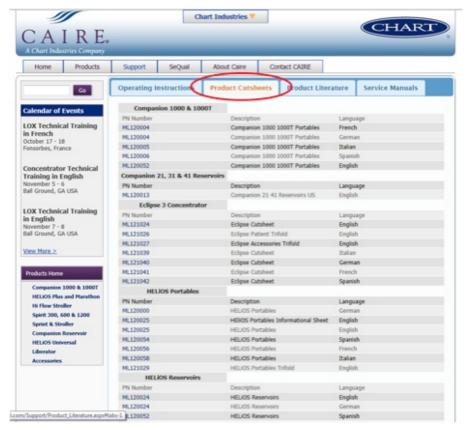
We at CAIRE are excited about this opportunity to provide our valued customers with additional options for their patients and their business and believe that the quality products from AirSep are a wonderful complement to the quality our customers have experienced through CAIRE and SeQual.

For more information on AirSep visit: http://www.airsep.com.

PRODUCT INFORMATION

#### **Product Cutsheets Available Online**

Updated specification sheets for all products are now available for download on the CAIRE website. All product brochures are available in Italian, French, German, Spanish, and English. Please use the <u>following link</u> to access the specification sheets and click on the tab labeled "Product Cutsheets".



#### **HEliOS Reservoir Contents Indicator**

Use part number #R-702207-00 to order a replacement contents indicator

for a HELiOS Reservoir.



All previous part numbers for the contents gauge, including B-494788-00, are no longer active part numbers. B-494788-00 was a contents gauge that was made obsolete in 2004. It had an RJ-44 connection on the side to support the Teleview remote monitoring system. The HELiOS contents gauges no longer support this monitoring system, and the current meters do not contain the RJ-44 port.

B-702207-00 can be ordered for all HELiOS reservoirs. It is a direct replacement of the older gauges that might have contained the telemetry port.

#### **LOX Reservoir Dust Covers**

Below is a table to be used as a guideline for ordering replacement QDV dust covers. Dust covers are only necessary on CAIRE reservoirs that have top-fill male QDV's. The dust cover assembly includes the QDV cover, along with the chain for attaching it to the shroud.

Reservoir	Plastic Dust Cover
Companion	15075347
HELIOS	15075347
Liberator (CAIRE TF)	15075347
Liberator (CryoPal TF)	15075347
Liberator (Taema TF)	15075355



#### C1000 Vent Valve Assembly

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European models of the Companion C1000 & C1000T utilize an auto-closing vent valve. Unique part numbers are used to order a vent valve assembly and vent valve lever as replacement parts on European units. Use the table below as a guideline for ordering these parts. The vent valve assembly does include the lever.

	Auto-Closing (European Only)	Non Auto-Closing
Vent Valve Assembly	B-776438-00	B-775243-00
Vent Valve Lever	B-776439-00	B-775004-00

### OxySafe Now Available For Concentrators

CAIRE will now be offering the OxySafe<sup>™</sup> as an optional accessory. This is intended to be used in conjunction with the Eclipse and Integra concentrators. For customers in regions requiring compliance to EN ISO 8359:1996-Ammendment 1:2012, this accessory will meet this need.

The OxySafe<sup>™</sup> was designed as a thermal fuse to stop the flow of gas in the event that the downstream cannula or oxygen tubing is ignited and burns to the OxySafe.



It is placed in-line with the nasal cannula or oxygen tubing between the patient and the oxygen outlet of the Eclipse or Integra. CAIRE will offer two different  $OxySafe^{TM}$  kits that are shown below.

#20628668
OxySafe™ Kit With DISS Tubing Adaptor



#20628667 will be the kit designed to be used with the Eclipse POC. It will contain a cannula headpiece, OxySafe<sup>™</sup>, and 7' tubing.

<u>#20628668</u> is the kit designed to be connected to the oxygen outlet of the Integra stationary concentrators. It will contain a DISS hose barb, a tubing adaptor, and an  $OxySafe^{TM}$ .

The shelf life of the OxySafe<sup> $\mathbb{M}$ </sup> is 4 years from the manufacture date stamped on the unit. It is also recommended that the OxySafe<sup> $\mathbb{M}$ </sup> be replaced between patients.

When used in line with the Eclipse or Integra, the OxySafe™ will not restrict flow or affect the performance of the concentrator.

#### **HELPFUL HINTS / FAQS**

# **Liberator FCV Extension O-Ring**

Q: Can the O-ring on the Gen 4 Liberator Flow Control Valve extension be ordered as a replacement part?

A: Yes. The O-ring is available as an orderable part. It is orderable using part number #13646945.



PN: 13646945

# **Eclipse Maintenance Schedule**

Below are the manufacturers recommended maintenance schedule for the SeQual Eclipse. These are the minimum recommendations for maintaining the Eclipse.

- Weekly Maintenance:
  - Clean the Air Intake Filter
- Monthly Maintenance:
  - o Power Cartridge Calibration

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- 2 Hours of Continuous Run Time
- Annual Maintenance:
  - Replace the Air Inlet Filter
  - Replace the Compressor Intake Filter
  - Replace the HEPA Filter
  - Replace the 9-Volt Battery

Weekly and monthly maintenance can be performed by the patient while the unit is in service. The annual maintenance must be performed by a service technician.

Please contact technical support with any questions, or reference the Eclipse technical manual for specific procedures.

# Integra Maintenance Schedule

Below are the manufacturers recommended maintenance schedule for the SeQual Integra. These are the minimum recommendations for maintaining the Integra.

- Weekly Maintenance:
  - Clean the Air Intake Filter
- Monthly Maintenance:
  - 2 Hours of Continuous Run Time
- Annual Maintenance:
  - Replace Air Inlet Filter
  - Replace Compressor Intake Filter
  - Replace HEPA Filter
  - Replace the 9-Volt Battery (N/A on Analog Units)

Weekly and monthly maintenance can be performed by the patient while the unit is in service. The annual maintenance must be performed by a service technician.

Please contact technical support with any questions, or reference the Integra technical manual for specific procedures.

# **Eclipse O-Rings**

Q: I just received an Eclipse Preventative Maintenance Kit (5022-SEQ) and noticed that there are 2 O-rings in the kit. Where are these o-rings installed and should they be replaced?

A: These O-rings will only be used on Eclipse units that contain the updated product tank with the internally threaded HEPA filter (first picture

shown below). Units with the 2-tiered product tank and external HEPA filter will not utilize these O-rings (second picture shown below).





The figure below shows the location of the 2 O-rings in the product tank, and also give the part number for ordering them individually as spare parts.



Top O-ring: PN #9251-SEQ Bottom O-ring: PN #4382-SEQ

CAIRE-SeQual does recommend that these O-rings be replaced as part of the annual preventative maintenance. They should also be replaced any time they are visually noticed to be missing or damaged.

**ACCESSORIES** 

# Capacitance Adaptor Kit

CAIRE offers a capacitance adaptor kit that is necessary to test the capacitance of the manifold on units that contain a G4 meter. This can be used on the Sprint, Stroller, Hi-Flow and Liberator units.

The adaptor kit contains probes that will connect to a standard volt meter. The black probe is an alligator clip that is used for grounding, and the red probe is a male JSD connector identical to the connection on the G4 meter itself. The kit can be ordered using part number #13329091.





The reservoir or portable must be warm and empty to test the capacitance of manifold. First, disconnect the G4 meter from the tank manifold at the JSD connector. Then insert the male connector on the red probe into the female connector of the main wire harness. Make sure that the negative wire is grounded properly. Attach both probes to a voltmeter and turn it to a setting of 200pF. This will give you the capacitance reading of the manifold.

Testing the capacitance in this manner is a critical part of troubleshooting issues with the G4 meter. When the meter gives a error message and will not calibrate properly, this can be caused by both a faulty meter, or by an issue with the wire harness or manifold. Testing the capacitance of the manifold will determine if the manifold or harness are potentially the faulty component causing the error messages.

Acceptable manifold capacitance for all the CAIRE products is listed in the technical manual.

#### **SERVICE SCHOOLS & TRADESHOWS**

# Mark Your Calendars for our Upcoming 2012 Service Schools!

#### **USA**

Concentrator Technical Training in English November 5-6 Ball Ground, Georgia LOX Technical Training in English November 7-8 Ball Ground, Georgia

To register for 2012 US LOX Training, <u>download this form</u>. To register for 2012 US Concentrator Training, <u>download this form</u>.

# Europe

LOX Technical Training in English October 16 & 17 Wokingham, UK

## LOX Technical Training in French

October 17 & 18 Fonsorbes, France

#### LOX Technical Training in Italian

November 14 & 15 Padova, Italy

For more information on the 2012 European trainings, please contact Jim Gibson at jim.gibson@chart-ind.com.

#### **Tradeshows**

We'll also be present at the following tradeshows this month, so feel free to stop at our booth! To find out more about any of the following shows, please click on its title and you will be directed to the show site.

#### **Medtrade Atlanta**

October 16-18 Atlanta, GA Booth# 1045

#### OPIO

October 28-31 Quebec, Canada Booth #29

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