

33.23 A 75% efficient pump driven by a 95% efficient motor transfers 2000gpm of a fluid with a specific gravity of 1.15 from a pressurized storage tank held at 10psig to an open reservoir at an elevation 100ft higher. Friction losses amount to 15psi. What is the electrical demand?

- A. 58KW
- B. 67KW
- C. 77KW
- D. 89KW

Write the modified **Bernoulli Equation** to determine the head added by the pump.

$$h_A = \frac{P_2 - P_1}{\gamma} + \frac{v_2^2 - v_1^2}{2g} + z_2 - z_1 + h_f$$

Since the source and the destination are both holding tanks, assume the velocity term is equal to zero.

$$h_A = \frac{P_2 - P_1}{\gamma} + z_2 - z_1 + h_f$$

The difference in elevation is given in *ft* as expected. However, the tank pressure and losses are both given in *psi*, so they should be combined and then converted to *ft* before using the brake horsepower formula. Normally, if the problem was dealing with water, converting from *psi* to *ft* would involve simply multiplying by a factor of 2.31, but in this case the height of a column of a fluid with specific gravity 1.15 would be slightly *less* than for a column of water, so it is necessary to also divide by the specific gravity. Note, the brake horsepower formula involves multiplying by specific gravity, so dividing by SG in this step appropriately washes out of the calculation. Ultimately, the units must align, as it is not valid to add *ft* to *psi* directly.

$$h_A = (0psi - 10psi) + (100ft - 0ft) + 15psi$$

$$h_A = 100ft + 5psi$$

$$h_A = 100ft + \frac{(5psi) \left(2.31 \frac{ft}{psi} \right)}{1.15} = 110ft$$

Calculate the **Brake HP**.

$$bhp = \frac{Q\Delta h SG}{3960\eta_{pump}}$$

$$bhp = \frac{(2000)(110)(1.15)}{(3960)(0.75)} = 85.2hp$$

Notice the brake horsepower accounts for the pump efficiency. To determine the electrical demand, it is necessary to also account for the motor efficiency, and convert units to KW .

$$\dot{W} = \frac{85.2hp}{0.95} \left(0.7457 \frac{KW}{hp} \right) = 66.9KW$$

Answer B