



## Product Alert

November 20, 2013

### **Type of Notification: Misuse of FM Approvals certification mark**

FM Approvals has been made aware of the marketing and sale of 8 inch NPS VIA Tech indicating butterfly valves bearing an “FM Approval – Pending” mark. See picture below.

**Company (as listed in the Approval Guide):** VIA Tech Co. Ltd.

**Address:** 721-2 Najun-Ri, Saengrim-Myun, Kimhae-City, Kyungnam, South Korea

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**Product Identity:** Indicating Butterfly Valve

**Models:** EZ-FLO HG (grooved) and EZ-FLO HW (wafer) indicating butterfly valves

**Sizes Affected:** 8 inch NPS

**Date Codes Affected:** All 8 inch NPS Model EZ-FLO HG and EZ-FLO HW indicating butterfly valves manufactured prior to February 2013. The date of manufacture is stamped on the valve nameplate.

**FM Approval status:** All 8 inch NPS Model EZ-FLO HG and EZ-FLO HW indicating butterfly valves manufactured on or after February 11, 2013 are FM Approved.

**Hazard involved:** All 8 inch NPS Model EZ-FLO HG and EZ-FLO HW indicating butterfly valves bearing the “FM Approval – Pending” mark have not met the performance requirements of Approval Standard 1112, “Indicating Valves (Butterfly or Ball Type)” and may fail prematurely.

FM Approvals does not allow the use of the mark “FM Approval – Pending” on any products at any stage of the Approval process.

If you suspect you are in possession of a VIA Tech indicating butterfly valve bearing an “FM Approval – Pending” mark or if a similar mark is discovered on any product, please bring that to the attention of:

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**Figure 1.** Nameplate of VIA Tech Model EZ-FLO HG size 8 inch NPS bearing an “FM Approval – Pending” mark