TABLE 3. EXTERNAL SURFACE PER LINEAR FOOT OF PIPE

NOMINAL PIPE SIZE (INCHES)	SURFACE AREA (SQ FT)	NOMINAL PIPE SIZE (INCHES)	SURFACE AREA (SQ FT)	NOMINAL PIPE SIZE (INCHES)	SURFACE AREA (SQ FT)
⅛	0.22	2	0.622	5	1.456
¾	0.275	2½	0.753	6	1.734
1	0.344	3	0.917	8	2.257
1¼	0.435	3½	1.047	10	2.817
1½	0.498	4	1.178	12	3.338

insulation or, when irregular in contour, with plastic materials known as insulating cements. Insulation is secured to pipes with staples which are used to bridge the joint between half sections, and with metal pipe covering bands or rings of wire which secure individual sections and effect a junction between abutting sections. Surface finishes used over pipe insulation depend upon the service encountered and appearance desired. Canvas jackets are most common although asbestos paper or asbestos finishing cements are sometimes employed. Insulation outdoors should be waterproof and is generally protected with an asphalt felt for piping and asphaltic cements for fittings. Insulation on lines carrying cold water, brine, or other cold fluids is carefully finished to obtain adequate sealing against the penetration of water vapor.

The selection of pipe insulation for a particular service condition must be made with full consideration of a number of properties in addition to thermal conductivity. Factors which may be of more importance than the thermal conductivity are: ease of application, fire resistance, heat stability, weathering stability, resistance to damage by physical abuse, and others which may apply to a particular installation. A complete evaluation of pipe insulation cannot be included here. Insulation manufacturers should be consulted in regard to the selection of insulation which is to meet specific requirements.

HEAT LOSSES FROM INSULATED PIPES

The conductivities of various materials used for insulating steam and hot water systems are given in Table 6. They are given as functions of the mean temperatures or the arithmetic mean of the inner and outer surface temperatures of the insulations. It should be emphasized that they are the average values obtained from a number of tests made on each type of material, also, that in the use of *conductivity* all variables due to differences in thickness, pipe sizes, and air conditions are eliminated. Individual manufacturer's materials will, of course, vary in conductivity to some extent from these values.

The heat losses through 1, 1½, and 2-in. thick 85 per cent magnesia type of insulation for temperature differences between the pipe and the

TABLE 4. EXTERNAL SURFACE PER LINEAR FOOT OF COPPER TUBING

Outside diameter ⅛ in. greater than nominal size

TUBE SIZE (INCHES)	SURFACE AREA (SQ FT)	TUBE SIZE (INCHES)	SURFACE AREA (SQ FT)	TUBE SIZE (INCHES)	SURFACE AREA (SQ FT)
⅛	0.164	2	0.556	5	1.342
¾	0.229	2½	0.687	6	1.604
1	0.295	3	0.818	8	2.128
1¼	0.360	3½	0.949	....	.....
1½	0.426	4	1.080	....	.....

TABLE 5. AREA OF FLANGED FITTINGS, SQUARE FEET[a]

NOMINAL PIPE SIZE (INCHES)	FLANGED COUPLING		90 DEG ELL		LONG RADIUS ELL		TEE		CROSS	
	Standard	Extra Heavy	Standard	Extra Heavy	Standard	Extra Heavy	Standard	Extra Heavy	Standard	Extra Heavy
1	0.320	0.438	0.795	1.015	0.892	1.083	1.235	1.575	1.622	2.07
1¼	0.383	0.510	0.957	1.098	1.084	1.340	1.481	1.925	1.943	2.53
1½	0.477	0.727	1.174	1.332	1.337	1.874	1.815	2.68	2.38	3.54
2	0.672	0.848	1.65	2.01	1.84	2.16	2.54	3.09	3.32	4.06
2½	0.841	1.107	2.09	2.57	2.32	2.76	3.21	4.05	4.19	5.17
3	0.945	1.484	2.38	3.49	2.68	3.74	3.66	5.33	4.77	6.95
3½	1.122	1.644	2.98	3.96	3.28	4.28	4.48	6.04	5.83	7.89
4	1.344	1.914	3.53	4.64	3.96	4.99	5.41	7.07	7.03	9.24
4½	1.474	2.04	3.95	5.02	4.43	5.46	6.07	7.72	7.87	10.07
5	1.622	2.18	4.44	5.47	5.00	6.02	6.81	8.52	8.82	10.97
6	1.82	2.78	5.13	6.99	5.99	7.76	7.84	10.64	10.08	13.75
8	2.41	3.77	6.98	9.76	8.56	11.09	10.55	14.74	13.44	18.97
10	3.43	5.20	10.18	13.58	12.35	15.60	15.41	20.41	19.58	26.26
12	4.41	6.71	13.08	17.73	16.35	18.76	19.67	26.65	24.87	34.11

[a]Including areas of accompanying flanges bolted to the fitting.

surrounding atmosphere up to 280 F are shown in Figs. 1, 2, and 3. Standard thicknesses of 85 per cent magnesia pipe covering are not exactly 1 in. However, the loss through any given thickness of insulation can be obtained by interpolation. Also, the losses through any of the insulations given in Table 6 can be obtained by multiplying the losses obtained from Figs. 1, 2, or 3 by the factors given in Table 7.

TABLE 6. THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY (*k*) OF VARIOUS TYPE PIPE INSULATIONS FOR MEDIUM AND HIGH TEMPERATURE PIPE[a]

Expressed in Btu per (hour) (square foot) (Fahrenheit degree temperature difference per inch)

TYPES OF INSULATING MATERIALS	DENSITY LB/CU FT	TEMP. RANGE OF ACCEPTED USE	MEAN TEMPERATURE, F DEG				
			100	200	300	400	500
85% Magnesia—Type	13–15	Up to 600 F	0.41	0.45	0.48	0.52	.....
Corrugated Asbestos—Type							
4 Ply per 1 in.	11–13	Up to 300 F	0.57	0.68	0.80	.....	.....
6 Ply per 1 in.	15–17	Up to 300 F	0.51	0.59	0.69	.....	.....
8 Ply per 1 in.	18–20	Up to 300 F	0.49	0.57	0.65	.....	.....
Laminated Asbestos—Type (35–40 laminations per 1 in.)	30–35	Up to 700 F	0.39	0.44	0.49	0.54	.....
Mineral Wool—Type	10–15	Up to 800 F	0.40	0.45	0.50	0.55	.....
Diatomaceous Silica—Type	25–30	Up to 1900 F	0.63	0.66	0.69	0.72	0.75
Brown Asbestos Fiber—Type	13–15	Up to 1200 F	0.34	0.39	0.44	0.49	0.54

[a]Average values from various laboratories for insulating materials of various manufacturers.

TABLE 7. PIPE COVERING FACTORS

TYPES OF INSUALTING MATERIALS	TEMPERATURE DIFFERENCE, PIPE TO AIR, F DEG				
	100	200	300	400	500
Corrugated Asbestos—Type					
4 Ply per 1 in.	1.30	1.36	1.42	.....	.....
6 Ply per 1 in.	1.19	1.23	1.27	.....	.....
8 Ply per 1 in.	1.15	1.19	1.23	.....	.....
Laminated Asbestos—Type	0.96	0.98	1.00	1.02	1.04
Mineral Wool—Type	0.98	1.00	1.02	1.05	1.07
Diatomaceous Silica—Type	1.37	1.36	1.35	1.35	1.34
Brown Asbestos Fiber—Type	0.86	0.88	0.91	0.93	0.96