

# Lafferty Equipment Manufacturing, LLC Installation & Operation Instructions

## Model # 977841 • RADAR™ AP-MM Spray System

### REQUIREMENTS

Chemical Concentrate  
Static Tank of Water

Compressed Air up to 10 CFM

Minimum Air Supply Line 3/8"

Hose 3/4" ID x 40'

Nozzle #180193SS

Electric 120V

### OPTIONS

Heater Assembly

Retro-Fit Heater Assembly # 720981

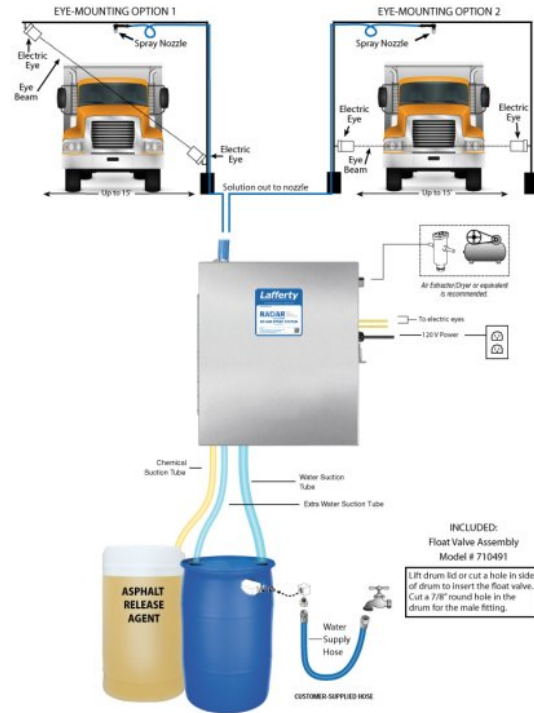
Drum & Tote Sticks (Viton Seals)

EPDM seals: Add "-E" to model number

33" Drum / Tote Stick # 491643 / # 491653

48" Drum / Tote Stick # 491648 / # 491654

54" Drum / Tote Stick # 491645 / # 491656



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**WARNING! READ ALL  
INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE  
USING EQUIPMENT!**

### OVERVIEW

The RADAR™ AP-MM Spray System is an electric eye (photocell sensor) activated, time delayed, asphalt release applicator that mounts to a user-supplied drive-through arch for spraying asphalt truck beds. This system uses a rugged Sandpiper air-operated, double-diaphragm pump to draw chemical concentrate and water from separate static tanks and blend them "on-the-fly" to create an accurately diluted solution. When a truck breaks the electric eye's line-of-sight, a delay timer allows the driver to position the truck under the nozzle before spraying begins and a run timer limits application to a pre-set time period or until the vehicle leaves the spraying area, whichever is first.

## SAFETY & OPERATIONAL PRECAUTIONS

- See Additional Safety Precautions included with the Electrical Control Box Installation Information
- Always consider electrical shock hazard when working with and handling electrical equipment. If uncertain, consult an Electrician. Electrical wiring should only be done by a qualified Electrician, per Local and State Electrical Codes.
- For proper performance do NOT modify, substitute nozzle, hose diameter or length
- Manufacturer assumes no liability for the use or misuse of this unit.
- Wear protective clothing, gloves and eye-wear when working with chemicals.
- Always direct the discharge away from people and electrical devices.
- Follow the chemical manufacturer's safe handling instructions.
- DO NOT use d-Limonene or other chemicals that are not compatible with the Santoprene diaphragms.
- TEFLON upgrade is available.

## TO INSTALL (REFER TO DIAGRAM ON NEXT PAGE)

1. Mount the unit to a solid, secure surface. Mount above chemical and water containers.
2. Do NOT connect to electricity yet.
3. Choose between Option 1 or 2 as shown in the illustration on page 1. Construct the mounting pole or arch, then mount the electric eyes and nozzle assembly. To prevent dripping after each cycle **leave a loop in the hose** as shown to make the nozzle higher than the bottom of the loop.
4. Position the electric eyes so that they are pointed toward each other, creating a "beam." (You may want to use a string to "line up" the eyes.) The electric eye housing brackets have pre-drilled holes for angled mounting against level surfaces.
  - The Receiver should never be aimed at the sun and should therefore be mounted pointing down, if mounting Option 1 is chosen.
  - Both the Receiver and the Emitter have a red LED. When they are aligned only the Emitter red light is lit. When they are out of alignment both the Emitter and Receiver red lights are lit.
5. Wire tie the cords securely to the arch.
6. Install the supplied float valve assembly into your water tank as shown in the illustration on page 3. Attach your water supply hose to the float valve and turn on the water to fill the tank.
7. Measure and cut the 1/2" suction tube into two sections of suitable length and connect them to the hose barbs as shown in the diagram on next page. One is for chemical concentrate the other for additional water, if needed.
8. Connect the 3/4" water suction tube to the hose barb. Secure all tubes with the clamps – do not over-tighten. Immerse ALL suction tubes into a container of water for initial testing.
9. Connect your clean, dry compressed air supply to the system as shown in the illustration. (Air Extractor / Dryer is recommended.)
10. Make sure the system is not plugged in to a power source. Remove control box cover. The box contains two timers (Delay & Override).
 

**Delay Timer:** This timer allows you to set the time to the approximate number of seconds needed from the time the truck breaks the "beam" of the electric eyes until the truck bed is positioned underneath the nozzles. Set the timer by pushing the combination of dip switches that will equal the total number of seconds you need for the delay.

**Override Timer:** This timer controls the maximum amount of time the sprayer will operate for. Set the timer by pushing the combination of dip switches that equal the total number of seconds you need the system to spray. Note: if the truck exits before this time has elapsed and the electric eye beam is restored, the spray will stop.
11. Replace the control box cover.
12. Plug the power cord into a 120 VAC power outlet. Activate your air supply.

### SWITCH SETTINGS (on front of Control Box)

- **ON** – Top of switch is depressed. Green light glows. Electric Eyes and timers are bypassed.
- **OFF** – Switch is in middle position. Green/red lights are off
- **Automatic control** – Bottom of switch is depressed. Red light glows. Electric Eyes and timers are in control

### TO TEST

1. Perform "test runs" with water only and make any necessary timer adjustments, and any nozzle and electric eye position adjustments. NOTE: Once the electronic beam is restored, the system automatically shuts off. Make sure to position the electric eyes so that any gap between the cab and truck bed does not cause the system to shut off.
2. After several successful test runs have been made you are ready to set the chemical dilution.
3. Immerse chemical suction tube into the chemical container.
  - **IF a ready to use chemical solution is being used place all three tubes in the solution.**

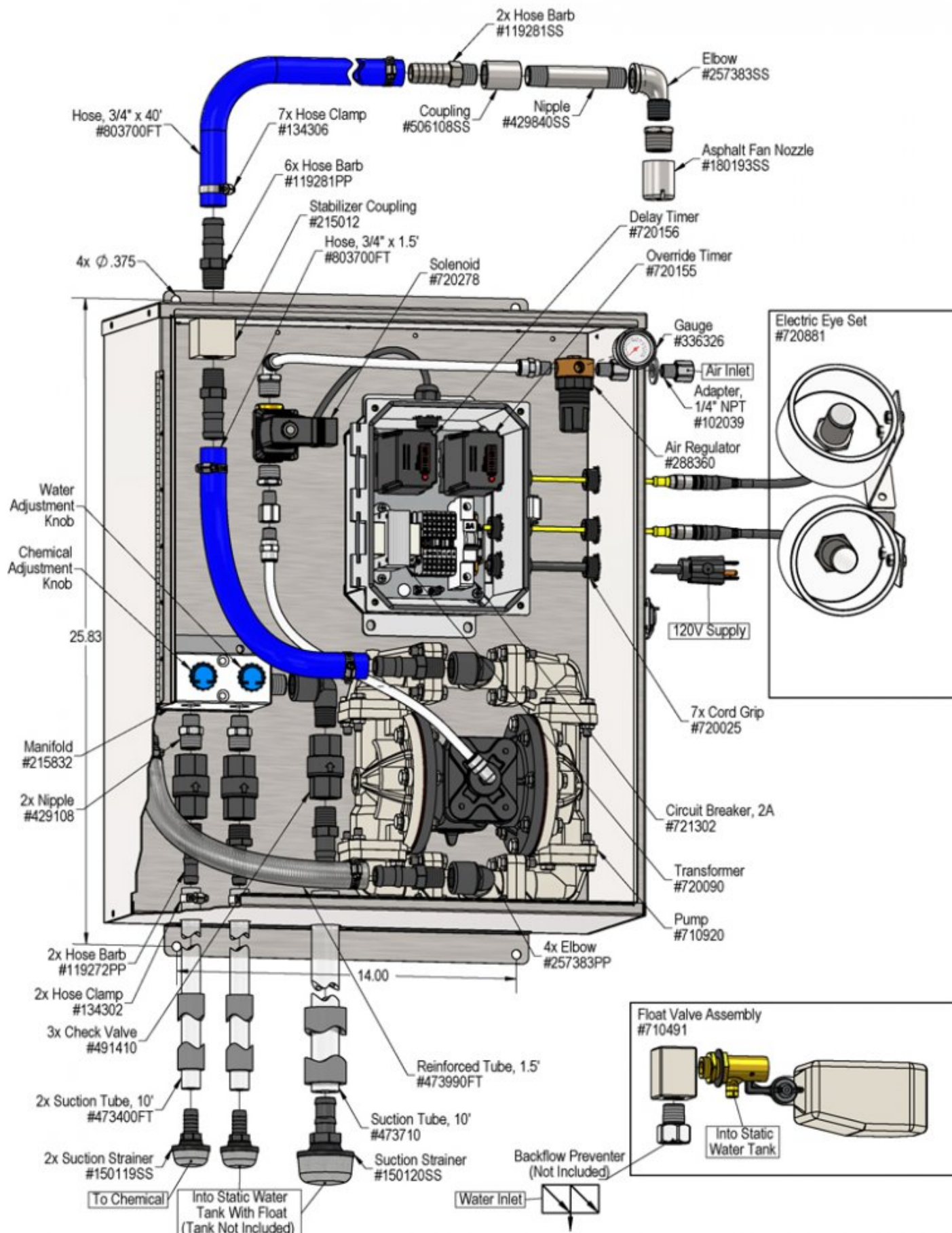
### How to Set Your Dilution Ratio:

1. Use the chemical / water adjustment knobs to control the amounts of chemical and "extra" water that flow through the unit. The adjustment knobs allow you to achieve virtually any dilution ratio and increase the flow rate of the water IF needed. Start out with the additional water knob turned completely clockwise and add extra water if needed.
2. Turn the adjustment knobs counterclockwise to increase flow or clockwise to decrease flow.
3. The chemical knob is preset to two full turns counterclockwise this setting is for initial testing.
4. To adjust the chemical concentration.
  - For a weaker dilution, turn the chemical knob clockwise.
  - For a stronger dilution, turn the chemical knob counterclockwise.

## TO OPERATE

Once adjustments have been made to timers and chemical dilution:

1. Drive the first truck through and make any last adjustments as needed.
2. The unit is ready for operation.



## Troubleshooting Guide

Problem	Possible Cause / Solution	
	Startup	Maintenance
A) Air pump will not run/pump.	1, 2, 3, 11, 12	13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20
B) Pump runs too fast with no output.	1, 5, 7	15, 16, 19
C) Unit will not draw chemical.	5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12	13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21
D) Water tube will not stay primed.	5, 7	15, 16, 19
E) Chemical tube will not stay primed.	7	15, 16, 19
F) Unit comes on and runs continuously.	11, 12	
G) Asphalt continues to stick to truck.	6, 8	

Possible Cause / Solution	
Startup	Maintenance
<b>1. Problem with air pump</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Refer to pump manual.</li> </ul>	<b>13. Chemical check valve stuck or failed</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clean or replace.</li> </ul>
<b>2. Use of an oiler in the airline will cause pump to stall</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use only clean, dry air.</li> </ul>	<b>14. Chemical strainer blocked</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clean or replace chemical strainer.</li> </ul>
<b>3. Inadequate air supply</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adjust air regulator slowly clockwise.</li> </ul>	<b>15. Chemical tube stretched out where tube slides over check valve or pin hole/cut in chemical tube (sucking air in)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cut off end of tube or replace tube.</li> </ul>
<b>4. Water knob not adequately opened</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Turn water knob counterclockwise.</li> </ul>	<b>16. Vacuum leak in chemical pick-up connections</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tighten the connections.</li> </ul>
<b>5. Water tube(s) not immersed in water or water depleted</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Immerse tube(s) or replenish.</li> </ul>	<b>17. Water check valve stuck or failed</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clean or replace.</li> </ul>
<b>6. Chemical knob not adequately opened</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Turn chemical knob counterclockwise.</li> </ul>	<b>18. Water strainers blocked</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clean or replace chemical strainers.</li> </ul>
<b>7. Chemical tube not immersed in chemical or chemical depleted or stretched out.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Immerse tube or replenish.</li> <li>Cut off 1/2" of pick up tube and reconnect</li> </ul>	<b>19. Water tubes stretched out where tube slides over check valve or pin hole/cut in water tubes (sucking air in)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cut off end of tube or replace tube.</li> </ul>
<b>8. Improper chemical</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure product is recommended for the application.</li> </ul>	<b>20. Air regulator failed allowing too much air or not enough air</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clean or replace.</li> </ul>
<b>9. Discharge hose wrong size or kinked (SEE REQUIREMENTS)</b>	<b>21. Air solenoid clogged or failed</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clean or replace.</li> </ul>
<b>10. Electric Eyes out of alignment or failed</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Realign eyes</li> <li>Replace eyes</li> </ul>	
<b>11. Timer not set properly or malfunctioned</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See Timer Adjustment on page 2 or replace timer.</li> </ul>	
<b>12. May have electrical problems</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have a qualified electrician check electrical connections. Ensure circuit breaker (5 amp) has not been tripped. Make sure electric eyes are functioning properly.</li> </ul>	

**PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE:** When the unit will be out of service for extended periods, place chemical tube(s) in water and flush the chemical out of the unit to help prevent chemical from drying out and causing build-up. Periodically check and clean chemical strainer and replace if missing.

