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(54) Abstract Title: Cast flapper with hot isostatic pressing treatment

(57) Components of a subsurface safety valve are cast instead of machined for dramatic cost savings. In particular, the flapper is cast from a 718 nickel alloy and treated with the HIP process to increase strength and corrosion resistance while reducing porosity. Other downhole valve components are contemplated to be produced by the same technique and the materials can also be varied. Depending on the specific alloys, the resulting HIP components are either superior in performance (e.g. strength, corrosion resistance) or considerably cheaper to manufacture than their wrought counterparts.

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